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### THE CHURCH GATHERS

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MUSICAL GREETING 2068 (S)**      "I Love You, Lord"

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We look to God as the creator and sustainer of the universe.

All: **We look to God as our savior and guide in this life.**

One: In our weakness, we depend on God's strength.

All: **In our brokenness, we depend on God's healing mercy.**

One: We live with our eyes fixed on you, O God, as the creator and sustainer of our lives.

All: **We live to be faithful to your ways.**

One: Let us worship God together.

**\*HYMN 263 (H)**      "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

#### **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God, we confess

the blindness that is not even aware of sinning;  
the pride that dares not admit that it is wrong;  
the selfishness that can see nothing but its own will;  
the righteousness that knows no fault;  
the callousness that has ceased to care;  
the defiance that does not regret its own sins;  
the evasion that always tries to make excuses;  
the coldness of heart that is too hardened to repent.

God, we are sinners and have not followed Jesus.

Forgive us and renew our faith and devotion to you. Amen.

#### **\*ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

One: This is the good news: God intends for us to find life, to embrace hope,

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Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

**\*RESPONSE TO GRACE 244 (H)**      "Let Us with a Glad Mind" (vs. 1 & 3)

**MINUTE FOR MISSION: One Great Hour of Sharing Offering**  
**HEARS GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**                    Amos 4:4-5, 5:21-24

**SERMON**                    "Atheism for Lent"                    Dr. Merold Westphal

**RESPONDS IN LOVE AND SERVICE**

\***HYMN 291 (H)**        "O God of Earth and Altar"

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**OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY**                    "Prayer for the Homeless"                    Arnold & Shawn Cribari, John Winget

\***RESPONSE 274 (H)**        "O God of Earth and Space" (vs. 3 & 4)

**\*PRAYER TO DEDICATE OUR LIVES**

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\***HYMN 332 (H)**        "Live into Hope" (vs. 1-4)

**\*BENEDICTION**

\***MUSICAL BENEDICTION 332 (H)**    "Live into Hope" (v. 5)

**POSTLUDE**

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**INTROIT**      "I've Got Peace Like a River"

Youth Bell Choir

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**CHORAL BENEDICTION**      “O Lord, Hear Our Prayer”      The Adult Choir

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