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Call to Worship (Psalm 34)

I bless God every chance I get;
my lungs expand with His praise.

**We live and breathe God;
if things aren't going well, hear this and be happy:
Join us in spreading the news;
together let's get the word out.**

God met us more than halfway,
God freed us from our anxious fears.
Look at the Holy One; give God your warmest smile.
Never hide your feelings from God.

**When we were desperate, we called out,
and God got us out of a tight spot.
God's angel sets up a circle
of protection around us while we pray.**

Open your mouth and taste, open your eyes and see—
how good God is.
Blessed are you who run to God.

**Worship God if you want the best;
worship opens doors to all God's goodness.**

Hymn

Give Thanks

Call to Confession

Unison Confession

O God, forgive us for the times when we bemoan our sinfulness. Forgive us for the times that the confessing of our litany of sins has left us satisfied that we have kept our side of the pact between us—we confess and You forgive. There is more to it than that. Help us to understand that the times we recognize we have fallen short of the standards of love and patience and honesty are opportunities for growing or lessening the growth of Your spirit within us. Teach us to recognize that we can never fall out of Your loving embrace. Help us to find ways to heal where we have hurt, build where we have damaged, begin again and again and again in love. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

O God, you accept us as we are and love us still. We have a spirit of power and forgiveness because of Jesus.

We are forgiven!

Hymn

Canon of Grace

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Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you!

Affirmation of Faith (Response from *Belhar Confession*)

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells;

**that God’s Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irrec-
onciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God’s life giving Word and Spirit will enable the
church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world.**

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture

Isaiah 65:17-25

Revelation 22:1-7

Sermon

Pastor Erin

Communion

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us lift up our hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution and Blessing

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Offering

Hymn

Song of Hope

from *Glory to God Hymnal*

Blessing