All Congregational Gathering
October 2, 2021

Gathering in Jesus’ Name
Matthew 18: 20
Closing Worship
Come, Christians, Join to Sing
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Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ we bring
Alleluia! Amen!
Let all with heart and voice
Before his throne rejoice
Praise we with grateful choice
Alleluia! Amen!
Come lift your hearts on high
Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky
Alleluia! Amen!
Christ is our Guide and Friend
On whom we can depend
His love shall never end
Alleluia! Amen!
Praise yet our Christ again
Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven’s blissful shore
His goodness we’ll adore
Singing forevermore
Alleluia! Amen!
Call to Worship

Leader: From communities small and large,
People: We gather together.
Leader: Bringing our joys, our griefs, our successes, our mistakes,
People: We join in one Spirit.
Leader: Caring for others, sharing our love,
People: Jesus is in our midst.
Leader: Daring in this moment to live Your promise:
People: God is with us.
Opening Prayer

God of promise, God of peace:
We take time this day
To join together in worship.
Allow Your presence to flow
Among us, in us and through us.
Opening Prayer

Connect us more deeply with each other; Connect us more deeply with You. We pray together in Jesus’ name, Amen.
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Praise to the Lord, The Almighty who rules all creation
O my soul, worship
The wellspring of health and salvation
All ye who hear
Now to God’s temple draw near
Join me in glad adoration.
Praise to the Lord
Who doth prosper
Thy work and defend thee
Surely God's goodness and mercy
Here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do
Who with great love doth befriend thee.
Praise to the Lord!
O let all of earth’s peoples and races
All that hath life and breath
Give thanks for manifold graces.
Let the Amen sound from God’s people again.
Gladly forever sing praises.
A Time of Lament
Give Me Jesus
A Time of Celebration
Doxology (Romans 11)

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A Time to Look Ahead
Tiff, will you embrace and live into this season of sabbatical? Will you let others focus on the challenges and joys of caring for this Holy Ground and those who gather here? Will you trust others to nurture and care for the people in our region? Will you pray for us and allow us to pray for you? Tiff: I will, with God’s help
Christians of the Upper Midwest, will you embrace and live into this season of sabbatical? Will you honor Tiff by not contacting her or expecting her attention in these months? Will you honor those who will carry on the vital work of our region’s ministry and the Christian Conference Center? Will you pray for Tiff and will you allow Tiff to pray for you?

People: We will, with God’s help.
Sabbatical Commissioning

As Disciples Together, we proclaim our love for God and for one another. As Disciples Together, we send our love with our Associate Regional Minister on her journey of faith.
Sabbatical Commissioning

As Disciples Together, we know that time and distance do not separate us from love for one another in Christ.

As Disciples Together, we pray that you will bless Tiff and our region during this sabbatical season, that we all may grow in faith.

Empowered by and connected in the Holy Spirit, we ask this in the name of Christ, Amen.
A Time to Gather Together
One Bread, One Body

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One bread, one body
One Lord of all
One cup of blessing
Which we bless.
And we, though many
Throughout the earth
We are one body
in this one Lord.
Many the gifts,
Many the works,
One in the Lord of all.
One bread, one body
One Lord of all
One cup of blessing
Which we bless.
And we, though many
Throughout the earth
We are one body
in this one Lord.
Grain for the fields,
Scattered and grown,
Gathered to one, for all.
One bread, one body
One Lord of all
One cup of blessing
Which we bless.
And we, though many
Throughout the earth
We are one body
in this one Lord.
A Time to Go Out
We Call Ourselves Disciples

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We call ourselves disciples
As pilgrims on the way
We seek the truth in wisdom
And beauty in each day.
As women, men, and children
We serve, Christ’s path to clear.
In joyful expectation
We see God’s reign draw near.
We join with all disciples
To live the Word in deed
To share the cup of water
And bread with all in need
To work till God’s compassion
And righteousness prevail
Till all this planet’s people
Know justice without fail.
So now the vision brightens,
The light of Christ burns still
In hearts of all disciples
To be the church God wills.
From quiet meditation,
And joyous hymns of praise
We go to do God’s mission!
Christ, lead us all our days!
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