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**SEEKERS CHURCH**

**A Christian Community**

*In the Tradition of Church of the Saviour*

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### **REFLECTION**

Peace is every step.

The shining red sun is my heart.

Each flower smiles with me.

How green, how fresh all that grows.

How cool the wind blows.

Peace is every step.

It turns the endless path to joy.

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Nhat Hanh, Peace is Every Step, pg ix.

## **PRELUDE**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God calls us this day to a life of joy.

People: With God,

joy cracks through the bonds of despair.

Leader: With God,

joy bursts forth in moments of quiet pleasure.

People: With God,

joy gilds the edges of even ordinary days.

Unison: This is the day which our God has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

## **INVOCATION**

## **HYMN**

## **SILENCE**

## **LITANY OF CALL**

Leader:                    God calls us in the midst of our lives:  
"Pause a while and hear that I am God."

People: God calls us from our lofty ambitions,  
      from our preoccupations  
      with marvels and matters beyond our scope:  
"Let be and learn that I am God."

Leader: God calls us into shelter –  
      a place of calm and quiet for our souls:

"Be still and know that I am God."

Unison: We are like a child quieted at its mother's breast.

God is with us now and evermore. Amen.

## **SILENCE**

## **PRAYERS**

### CONFESSION (Unison)

O God, you have searched me and known me!

You know when I sit down and when I rise up;

you discern my thoughts from afar.

You search out my path and my lying down,

and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue,

    lo, O God, you know it altogether.

You beset me behind and before,

    and lay your hand upon me.

Where shall I go from your Spirit?

Or where shall I flee from your presence?

Psalm 139: 1-5, 7

## INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE (Leader)

If we take the wings of the morning

    and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

even there your hand shall lead us,

    and your right hand shall hold us.

Psalm 139:9, 10

## CONTINUING PRAYERS

## HYMN

## **THE WORD**

SCRIPTURE

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION

## **OFFERING**

OFFERTORY MUSIC

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## **SHARED REFLECTIONS**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **HYMN**

## **BENEDICTION**

Leader:

Go forth in joy.

Laugh, and share delights.

Be at ease in your struggles,  
bold in your loving,  
joyful in giving,  
and graceful in your praying:  
Become a song of God's delight.  
Amen.

#### WORSHIP SOURCES

Call to Worship: Flames of the Spirit, pg 66, #38.

Litany: Flames of the Spirit, pg 59, #8.