. "Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press onward the goal toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Jesus Christ." (Philippians 3:13b-14)

Welcome! As we worship today, reflect on the costly acts of love that are foreseen in today's lesson.

## **Order of Worship**

Leader: Come, let us gather together this day and worship the Lord!

People: Let us lift our praise to God in our songs!

L: Let us praise the Lord in our words and our readings,

P: And let us turn our hearts to the Lord whose love has made us whole.

L: God's love is so real that Jesus would even suffer the cross for us.

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Lord, we know that we are far from perfect, and that simply trying to keep your commandments and observing the ceremonies of your Church will not bring us the righteousness we seek. Help us to forget what is past and to strive toward the goal that we might find that righteousness that is given through faith in Christ. .... (silent prayer) Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon and Summary of the Law

Sermon: "Extravagant Beyond Measure"

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn: "To God Be the Glory"

Benediction