Outline for Worship

Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 146)

- Leader: Praise the Lord! Let our whole being praise the Lord.
- People: We will praise the Lord with all our lives, we will sing praises to our God as long as we live
- Leader: Don't trust leaders; don't trust any human beings there's no saving help with them
- People: Our help is in the God of Jacob, our hope rests on the Lord our God.
- All: Let us praise the Lord!

Opening Songs: All Creatures of our God and King 10,000 Reasons

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we are not the people you call us to be. We do things we should not, and fail to do the things we should. We allow other voices to drown out your one true voice. We live out of our selfish fears rather than your Spirit-led hope. We have failed to love you, our neighbors, and ourselves. Forgive Lord, and empower us with your spirit, to be your disciples. In Jesus' name we pray...

Declaration of Pardon

- Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation, the old is gone and the new has come. Friends, hear and believe the good news: in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven.
- People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 1 (NRSV)

"Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish."

New Testament Reading: Matthew 16:5-12 (NRSV)

"When the disciples reached the other side, they had forgotten to bring any bread. Jesus said to them, "Watch out, and beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees." They said to one another, "It is because we have brought no bread." And becoming aware of it, Jesus said, "You of little faith, why are you talking about having no bread? Do you still not perceive? Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many baskets you gathered? Or the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many baskets you gathered? How could you fail to perceive that I was not speaking about bread? Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees!" Then they understood that he had not told them to beware of the yeast of bread, but of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees."

Sermon: What's Feeding You?

Profession of Faith (From the Barmen Declaration, 8.11-12)

Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death. We reject the false doctrine, as though the church could and would have to acknowledge as a source of its proclamation, apart from and besides this one Word of God, still other events and powers, figures and truths, as God's revelation.

Offering

Closing Song: Living Hope

Charge and Benediction