First Presbyterian Church Cedar Falls, IA

Scriptures today are using the Common English Bible Translation

#### **UNITE IN LOVE**

#### **Pre-service Music**

### **Welcome & Prayer for Illumination**

Lesson 1 WHAT IS CONFIRMATION? Joshua 24:14-15

#### **Prelude**

### \*Call to Worship

Please rise in body or in spirit and join me in the call to worship.

One: Give thanks to the Lord, and call on God's name ALL: Proclaim God's deeds among the peoples!

One: Sing to God; sing praise,
ALL: and tell of all God's marvels!

One: Let the hearts that seek God rejoice!

\*Gathering Hymn #32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" all verses

Lesson 2 HOW DO WE KNOW AND TRUST GOD? Psalm 105:39-43

**Time for Wonder** *children are invited forward* 

Lesson 3 WHAT IS SIN AND HOW DO WE TURN FROM IT? Matthew 22:34-40

#### **Invitation to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

Your holiness, O God, commands that we confess: we have either loved our neighbors as ourselves nor honored ourselves as your beloved creation.

We have judged unjustly, regarded others ungenerously, profited at the losses of those near and distant, borne grudges, desired vengeance, and kept silence in the face of wrongdoing.

We long to live in accord with your desire that your way of compassion, kindness, and honesty will govern our hearts and minds, turning us toward lives of peace.

Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

# **Quiet Reflection**

## **Assurance of Grace**

Siblings in Christ,

Your Redeemer fully knows your sorrow and your desire for reconciled relationships.

In his grace is the power to love your neighbors and yourselves.

One: Hear and share the good news:

ALL: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made whole. Thanks be to God!

March 17, 2024—10:00am Big God Big Questions Service of Worship Mid-Series Review First Presbyterian Church Cedar Falls, IA

Response to Grace #59

"The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

refrain one time through

**LESSON 4** 

WHO IS YOUR LORD?

Philippians 2:1-5

Hymn #722

"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

verses 1 & 5

LESSON 5

WHO IS YOUR SAVIOR?

Luke 15:4-10

**Video Introduction** 

Video

**LESSON 6** 

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A DISCIPLE OF JESUS?

Matthew 20:25-28

\*The Word in Song #757

"Today We Are Called to Be Disciples"

all verses

**LESSON 7** 

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO SHOW CHRIST'S LOVE?

John 21:15-17

**Sharing our Ministry Dreams** 

**Joys and Concerns** 

**Prayers of the People** 

The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator in heaven, holy is your name, your kin-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Offering Invitation & Dedication

\*Doxology 606

**Our Life Together** 

\*Sending Hymn #747

"The Lord Now Sends Us Forth"

**Blessing & Charge** 

**Postlude**