A LITURGY FOR MID-DAY

OPENING

O God, make speed to save us;
Oh God, make haste to help us.
(Pause)

In these days of confusion and uncertainty,
Father, grant us your peace.

CANDLE LIGHTING (We welcome the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst.)

A PSALM OF TRUST (from Psalm 25)

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
O my God, in you I trust;
Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
Teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
For you are the God of my salvation.
For you I wait all the day long.
Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord,
And of your steadfast love,
For they have been from of old.

Good and upright is the Lord;
Therefore, he instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right,
And teaches the humble his way.

All the paths of the Lord are steadfast
His love and faithfulness are for those who keep his covenant and decrees.

For the sake of your name, O Lord,
Pardon our guilt, for it is great.

Who is the one who fears the Lord?
They will be instructed in the way they should choose.

Leader: My eyes are ever toward the Lord
Response 3: For he will pluck my feet out of the net.
Leader: Turn to me and be gracious to me, O God,
For I am lonely and afflicted.
Response 4: The troubles of my heart are enlarged;
Bring me out of my distresses.
Leader: Consider my affliction and my trouble
And forgive all our sins.
May integrity and uprightness preserve us,
For we wait for you.

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

Lord Jesus Christ,
I give you my hands, to do your work,
My feet to follow in your way,
My eyes to see as you see,
My tongue to speak your words;
Take my mind and let my thoughts dwell always on you and in my spirit pray always within me.
Above all, I give you my heart;
That in me, you may love your Father and all people.
I give you myself, that you may grow in me.
So that it is you, Lord Jesus, who lives and works and prays in me.
AMEN.

AFTERNOON BENEDICTION

May the God of peace
Who is trustworthy and true
Keep our hearts and minds in Jesus
As we trust in His faithful promises
And rest in His gracious love.
AMEN.