

## APPENDIX L

### Sample Call Worship Services

#### Sample A

Hymn: *O Holy Spirit*, Enter In vs. 1,2,3 (TLH 235, LBW 459, LW 160)

Versicles page 41 (TLH), 131 (LBW), 208 (LW)

Message from Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer

Silence for Meditation

First Vote

Hymn: *With the Lord Begin Thy Task* vs. 1,2,5 (TLH 540, LBW 444, LW 483)

Hymn: *Come, Oh, Come, thou Quickening Spirit* vs. 1,2,5 (TLH 226, LBW 478, LW 165)

(If during any count additional hymns are needed to fill the time, select one from the list on the last page.)

#### First Reading

But how are men to call upon him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without a preacher? And how can men preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach good news!" So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ.

*Romans 10:14-17*

Moses said to the Lord, "Let the Lord, the God of the Spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation, who shall go out before them and come in before them, who shall lead them out and bring them in; that the congregation of the Lord may not be as sheep which have no shepherd."

*Numbers 27:15-17*

Prayer

Silence

Second Vote

Hymn: *What God Ordains Is Always Good* vs. 1,2,5 (TLH 521, LBW 446, LW 422,)

Choir Anthem: *God Be In My Head*

Results of count

#### Second Reading

I will gather the remnant of my flock..... and bring them again to their folds.... and I will set shepherds over them which shall feed them and they shall fear no more....

*Jeremiah 23:3-4*

When Jesus handed over to Simon Peter the charge of the Christian church, he was careful to use the possessive pronoun "my". "Simon, son of Jonas, feed my lambs. They are not yours, they are mine, but I wish you to look after them for a little while. Guard them, feed them, guide them, be good to them for my sake. Remember my goodness, my watchfulness, my considerateness, my patience, my compassion, my readiness to help, my swiftness to heal, my gladness to sacrifice. Be the kind of shepherd to my lambs and my sheep that I have been to you. Follow me!"

*Charles E. Jefferson, 1912*

Prayer

Silence

Third Vote

Hymn 436 (TLH) *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* (TLH 436, LBW 451, LW 416)

Hymn: *All Depends on Our Possessing* vs. 1,2,5 (TLH 425, LBW 447, LW 415)

Results of count

### **Third Reading**

If the church is called a flock, the minister is the shepherd to seek the lost, to comfort the sick, to tend the flock in exercises of tenderness, consideration, and care. If the church is a household, the minister is the steward faithful and wise, dispensing the provision of the house according to the needs of its members. If the church of God is a city, he is the watchman to wake and warn slumberers of their peril. If it is a garden, he is the gardener to plant and water the soil, to cleanse the earth, to watch the growth of the plant, and to bring forth the harvest. If it is a building, he is the master-builder, building on Christ the sure foundation with living stones. Building a spiritual house, a dwelling place of God through the Spirit.

*Charles Bridges 1856*

Prayer

Silence

Fourth Vote

Hymn: *Send, O Lord, Thy Holy Spirit* (TLH 491, LW 263)

Hymn: *If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee vs. 1,7* (TLH 518, LBW 453, LW 420)

Results of Count

### **Fourth Reading**

There is no dearer treasure, nor any more precious thing on earth or in this life than a real and faithful pastor or preacher. He does great and mighty works. He seeks to inform and instruct those people in his care; comfort and advise those who are troubled, help to maintain peace and to settle differences, teach obedience, morals, discipline, and honor. By his work and by his word the kingdom of God is maintained in the world; so, too, are kept the name and the honor and the glory of God, the true knowledge of God, the right faith and understanding of Christ, the fruits of the suffering, blood and death of Christ, the gifts and works and power of the Holy Spirit, the true and saving use of baptism and the sacrament, and the right and pure doctrine of the gospel.

*Martin Luther, 1530*

Prayer

Silence

Fifth Vote

Choir Anthem: *O God, Send Heralds* (LBW 283)

Hymn: *May we Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill* (TLH 412, LBW 353,186, LH 389,327)

Results of Count

Closing Hymn: *On What has Now been Sown vs. 1,2* (TLH 46, LBW 261, LW 217)

Extra Hymns: TLH 36,39, 234, 416, 514

LBW 257, 480, 483, 533, 543, 545

LW 166, 392, 426, 443, 444, 460

Hymn listings are suggestions only.

## Sample B

Welcome – (Congregational President)

Opening Prayer

Song: Be Thou My Vision

Scripture Reading: Romans 10:14-17

Prayer

Scripture Reading: Numbers 27:15-17

Call Committee Report – (Call Committee Chairperson)

Discussion of Voting Procedure – (Congregational President or Board Secretary)

Song: Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling (LSB 650)

Voting

Request Motion for Unanimous Vote

Explain Next Steps (Including immediate phone call to pastor elect, a few weeks for he and his family to seek the Holy Spirit's will, etc.)

Closing Prayer