

## *We Gather Together on the Journey*

*We gather today in the name of our God. We gather to share, support, encourage, celebrate, and learn from each other. We gather as people who journey in faith. Although our pathways are different, our journey is the same.*

*A journey once taken alone,  
I now choose to take with others.*

*Moving forward as one body  
into a future filled with possibility,  
we walk without maps, but we walk...confidently,  
and we walk with hope,  
because we have chosen to be light  
for each other on the way.  
We travel forward along a way  
we have not gone before;  
we travel as one who is led, arms outstretched,  
as one who is called forth to life.*

*We travel in need,  
dependent on our God for strength, for assurance,  
dependent on each other,  
instruments of love,  
leaving known paths behind us,  
we choose to journey forward in faith.*

*As the journey brought us here,  
so here we begin it anew, in company together.*

*Amen*