

Liturgy for Use on a Youth Sunday (or any other)

Liturgy of Unfailing Love (1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 13)

Lord, we come before you as your children.  
*We humbly seek salvation through your unconditional love.*

Our constant struggle to live more like you day by day  
*Causes us to seek you face to face, as we do now.*

(Pause for reflective silence and prayer)

Remind us that to love as a child loves is always pure.  
*May we shun all our iniquities and learn that you love us unconditionally.*

For we are nothing unless we have you.  
*Through you we understand to love and to be love; this truly shines over all nations.*

Hymn 388 (Moravian Book of Worship) - Father, I Adore You

Love is abundant.  
*Its magnificence strengthens our hearts, minds and souls in service for you.*

Love encompasses all.  
*It is always patient and kind.*

Love lifts us up to where we belong.  
*It is not rude, self-seeking, easily angered; or delighted in evil.*

Your love creates in us a desire to love and be loved.  
*It always trusts, hopes and preserves.*

Your unbounding love makes us whole.  
*Without your love we will not endure our daily struggles.*

We cannot serve you, rejoice in the unseen, or make just our faith,  
*For without your love, we gain, feel and rejoice in nothing.*

You are our strength. You are our way.  
*Your love in us surpasses all of time, for you are with us always.*

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