

AFFIRMATION OF HOLY HUMOR

One: We believe with the Bible that

Many: "There is a time to weep and a time to laugh."

One: We believe with John Chrysostom that

Many: "Laughter has been implanted in our souls."

One: We believe with Martin Luther that

Many: "You have as much laughter as you have faith."

One: We believe with John Calvin that

Many: "We are nowhere forbidden to laugh."

One: We believe with Francis De Sales that

Many: "Humor is a foundation for reconciliation."

One: We believe with Soren Kierkegaard that

Many: "Humor is intrinsic to Christianity."

One: We believe with G. K. Chesterton that

Many: "A good joke is the closest thing we have to divine revelation."

One: We believe with Dietrich Bonhoeffer that

Many: "Ultimate seriousness is not without a dose of humor."

One: We believe with Flannery O'Conner that

Many: "Christianity is a strangely cheery religion."

One: We believe with Elton Trueblood,

Many: "Never trust a theologian without a sense of humor."

One: We believe with Charles Schultz that

Many: "Humor is proof that everything is going to be alright with God nevertheless."