## **Excerpts**

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## Yes

You are the God who is simple, direct, clear with us and for us. You have committed yourself to us. You have said yes to us in creation yes to us in our birth, yes to us in our baptism, yes to us in our awakening this day.

But we are of another kind, more accustomed to "perhaps, maybe, we'll see," left in wonderment and ambiguity.

We live our lives not back to your *yes*, but out of our endless "perhaps."

So we pray for your mercy this day that we may live yes back to you, yes with our time, yes with our money, yes with our sexuality, yes with our strength and with our weakness, yes to our neighbor, yes and no longer "perhaps."

In the name of your enfleshed *yes* to us, even Jesus who is our *yes* into your future. Amen.

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