

United Evangelical United Church of Christ

OUR MISSION

We seek to continue Jesus' mission
Of reaching out Embracing everyone Enriching all
Becoming living examples Bonding all with the love of God

JAN. 6, 2008 EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"* arr. Innes

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Sing We Now of Christmas"* Insert

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Loving God, you have come to us in Jesus; yet we confess that we often refuse to receive you. We live in the world as if we did not know you. Showing your love for all peoples, you guided sages from distant lands to worship Jesus, your child. Although we know of this love, we limit our love with safe boundaries, building walls rather than bridges, denying our connection with all those you love. Forgive us, God, and give us new hearts to love and serve you. Write your Word within us. Make yourself known to us as we live today. For we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ, in whom you most fully have revealed yourself. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Be of good courage, for God sent the Word into the world not to judge but to save. I say to you in the name of Jesus Christ: Your sin is forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

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WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"Go Tell It on the Mountain"*

Florence Gundlach, Chuck Rohlfing

10:30 a.m. *"Shine Jesus Shine"*

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:1-12

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"We Three Kings"

Insert

SERMON

"OVERWHELMED WITH JOY"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

**Call for the Offering
Musical Reflection**

"The Three Kings" **Young
Greensleeves**

***Doxology**

*So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, Come peasant, king, to own him;
The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him.
This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Depart in peace, for you have seen God's salvation, a light for the nations. May the love of God guide you, the word of Christ dwell in you richly, and the gift of the Spirit give you power, now and for ever.

(All) **Amen**

***HYMN**

"What Child is This?"

Insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

†(Please be seated while the candles are extinguished, pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

POSTLUDE

"How Lovely Shines the Morning Star"

Bach



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JAN. 13, 2008 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"* arr. DeCou

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** *"When Jesus Came to Jordan"* Insert

***GREETING**

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

(All) O God, in your mercy you come to meet with us when we pray, for you love us fully. As we gather at the river of your grace, we confess that some of us are close and expectant while others of us are far away and uncertain. Meet us wherever we are and gently embrace us with your love so that we are drawn ever nearer to you. You sent your son, Jesus Christ, to be the presence of love among us and to show us how to be more loving. Send your Spirit to teach us how to please you with our words and actions that as we receive your good news, we may be good news for others. In Christ we pray. Amen

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) Yahweh our God draws us out of the waters of baptism and says: "I have made a covenant with you and you will be mine forevermore." My friends believe this good news, everyone who believes in Jesus Christ receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

(P) Praise be to God!

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE # 492**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"Majesty"*
Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m. *"Open My Eyes"*
The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:1-9

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Acts 10:34-43

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORI TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 3:13-17

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"Spirit Song"

Insert

SERMON

"SIGNED, SEALED, DELIVERED"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"Fugue"

Handel

***Doxology**

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) God has created you and named you Beloved. Go to live for God. And may the love of God, the grace of Christ and the unity of the Spirit guide your going.

(All) Amen

***HYMN** *"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"* **# 193**

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"To Jordan Came Our Lord the Christ"* **Bach**

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JAN. 20, 2008 2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Just As I Am"* arr. Wood

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"* Insert

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) So many voices clamor for our attention O God, that your word is hard to hear. When we have been called to be prophetic witnesses of your activities in the world and in our lives, and we have been unwilling to respond, Merciful God, forgive us. When we do not expect to hear life-changing words and so fail to discern your call on our lives, Merciful God, forgive us. Take from us all that hinders our hearing your voice and fill us anew with the Holy Spirit that we may joyfully respond to Jesus' call on our lives, in whose name we pray. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) The good news is that even if we at first do not hear the divine word addressed to us, God calls again and again. All this is from God to whom we have been reconciled by Christ.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE # 492

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"Open My Eyes"*
The Choir

10:30 a.m. *"There Is A River"*

Florence Gundlach & Lynn Sanders

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Cor 1:1-9

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:29-42

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Here I Am, Lord"

Insert

SERMON

"THE BELOVED COMMUNITY"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

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Musical Reflection

"Just As I Am"

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***Doxology**

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Here you have met God. Know that you lack nothing to be a servant saint of God. Go now to be that servant, go to reveal God to others. And may the God of timeless gifts, surprises and revelations go with you on your journey.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"Lift High the Cross"

Insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"If You Will Trust in God"

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JAN. 27, 2008 3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "O Thou, The True and Only Light" Mendelssohn

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Arise, Your Light Has Come" Insert

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Ever present One, you walk with us along the shores of our life and you see the many things we cling to...our need to succeed, destructive anger, harmful relationships, bad attitudes, deadly habits, divisions and discord. Release us, O Spirit, so we can follow Christ more faithfully. By your wisdom, help us to grasp the love of the cross which calls to us; that we might turn from the darkness of our world. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Receive this good news: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light, those who lived in a land of great darkness on them light has shined. This light came to our world in the person of Jesus Christ in whom the love of God was illumined fully. In Jesus Christ we are empowered to live new and forgiven lives.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE # 492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "The Lord is Lifted Up"

Diane Borkman

10:30 a.m. "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Cor 1:10-18

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 4:12-23

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Insert

SERMON

"CHANGING DIRECTION"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

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Musical Reflection

"Jesus Calls Us"

arr. Wells

***Doxology**

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Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) We have received the light of God. Go now to share this light in words of peace, in a witness of love, in the sharing of wealth, and in the joy of good news.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"Jesus Calls Us"

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POSTLUDE

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FEB. 3, 2008 TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Be Thou My Vision"* arr. Hopson

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** *"Be Thou My Vision"* Insert

***GREETING**

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

(All) O God of mountain tops and glory, we gather to worship you in this place. You call us to witness to your transforming power by our living, yet we know that we have not always followed your call. For the times when we thought the cross too heavy, and its way too rough for us; for the times when we have not followed your word and hidden the truth of the Gospel; for the times we have not shared your table, keeping your goodness to ourselves; for these times, gracious God, have mercy. Open us to see beyond ourselves that our lives may glorify you in truth and love. In the name of the Beloved Son we pray. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) My friends the truth of the Gospel is this: the God of glory sets us on the way of the cross, renewed, rekindled, re-created.

(P) Praise be to God!

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE** # 492

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"Jesus Loves Me"*

Lois Duvall & Darlene Waters

10:30 a.m. *"Lord, Reign in Me"*

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 24:12-18

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

2 Peter 1:16-21

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORI TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 17:1-9

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"

Insert

SERMON

"WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Nicene Creed

P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"Holy Ground"

Christopher

***Doxology**

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Seeing that we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us run with patience the path God sets before us. Go now to embark upon your Lenten path, encouraged by the love of God, renewed by the grace of Christ, and empowered by the presence of the Spirit, now and forever.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

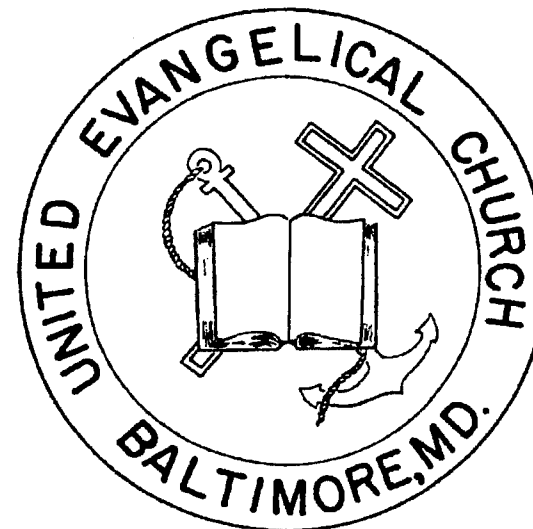
"Blessed Assurance"

Insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"* Pachelbel



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February 06, 2008 Ash Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

PRELUDE *"Be Merciful to Me, O God"* Bach

GREETING

(L) May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WELCOME

*LITANY OF JOURNEYING TO THE CROSS

(L) Yet even now, says the LORD, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning. Rend your hearts and not your clothing.

(P) Let us return to the LORD, our God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

*GATHERING HYMN *"Abide With Me"* # 51

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE (Psalm 51)

(All) Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

(Time of silent reflection)

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(L) Almighty God does not desire the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. My friends in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God!

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 68:1-12
2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

*HYMN *"Amazing Grace"* insert

MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR THE JOURNEY – THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"Lord Have Mercy"* Bach

***DOXOLOGY**

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(All) Gentle God, we thank you for this Lenten hour of worship where you have strengthen us for the journey ahead by refreshing us at your table. Deepen our prayer. Teach us to understand ourselves, to be reconciled with one another and to love you with profound joy. Lead us into such simplicity of faith and honesty of spirit that we may endure temptation and be renewed in grace. Amen.

***PARTING BLESSING**

***SENDING HYMN** *"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross"* # 462

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"O Savior Blest"* Bach

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FEB. 10, 2008 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Forty Days and Forty Nights"* Gesangbuch

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"* # 141

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of all our journeys, you call us out from where we are into a wilderness where everything which longs to be restored and held afresh is exposed. Gracious God we confess to you our reluctance to enter the wilderness places where we are confronted with our true selves, for we are afraid you will find that we put worldly values before our desire for you. Forgive us, O God and increase our trust in you when our hunger for power and wealth is greater than our hunger for seeking and doing your will. Forgive us when we are tempted to use the gifts you give us to benefit ourselves at the expense of serving others. Grant us strength to journey this Lenten season. Fill our mouths with words of peace, our hearts with a longing for justice, and our lives with acts of love that we may be tempted to trust you and live for you each day. This we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. My friends when we confess our sins to God, we are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE # 492

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"Arms of Love"*
Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m. *"God So Loved the World"*
The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 5:12-19

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"On Eagle's Wings"

Insert

SERMON

"LIVING WITH EVIL"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"Be Merciful to Me, O God"* **Bach**

***Doxology** **Hamburg**

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go from here not to live by bread alone, but by the will of God. And may God give the angels charge over you; may their hands bear you up and keep you from falling.

(All) **Amen**

***HYMN** *"Teach Me, O Lord"* **#262**

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"O Savior Blest"* **Bach**

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FEBRUARY 13, 2008 SECOND WEDNESDAY IN LENT 7:30 p.m.

GREETING

(L) May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

GATHERING IN SONG

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(All) *Jesus remember me, when you come into your kingdom.*

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

(L) Remember, loving God, what you have wrought in us, and not what we deserve.

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Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

(L) Remember, loving God, what you have wrought in us, and not what we deserve.

(All) Through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

John 11

MESSAGE

THE POWER OF PRAYER

*HYMN

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

#472

LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory

*Doxology

Hamburg

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*Prayer of Dedication

*SENDING FORTH

*PARTING HYMN

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

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Mark 14:36

The Power of Prayer

A SERVICE OF WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION

Grace Eleanor Fader

June 27, 1915 – February 13, 2008

February 16, 2008

10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

GREETING

- (L) May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all
(P) And also with you

OPENING SENTENCES

*HYMN OF ADORATION *"The Old Rugged Cross"* see insert

WORDS OF GATHERING

PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 23 Mark Fader

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 23:33-43 Andrew Fader

MEDITATION

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE Jim Fader

*HYMN OF REMEMBRANCE *"Here I Am Lord"* see insert

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION see insert

*COMMENDATION

*BENEDICTION

*PARTING HYMN *"Lift High the Cross"* see insert

POSTLUDE

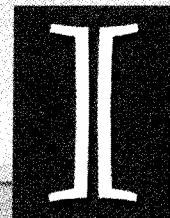
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Psalm 23

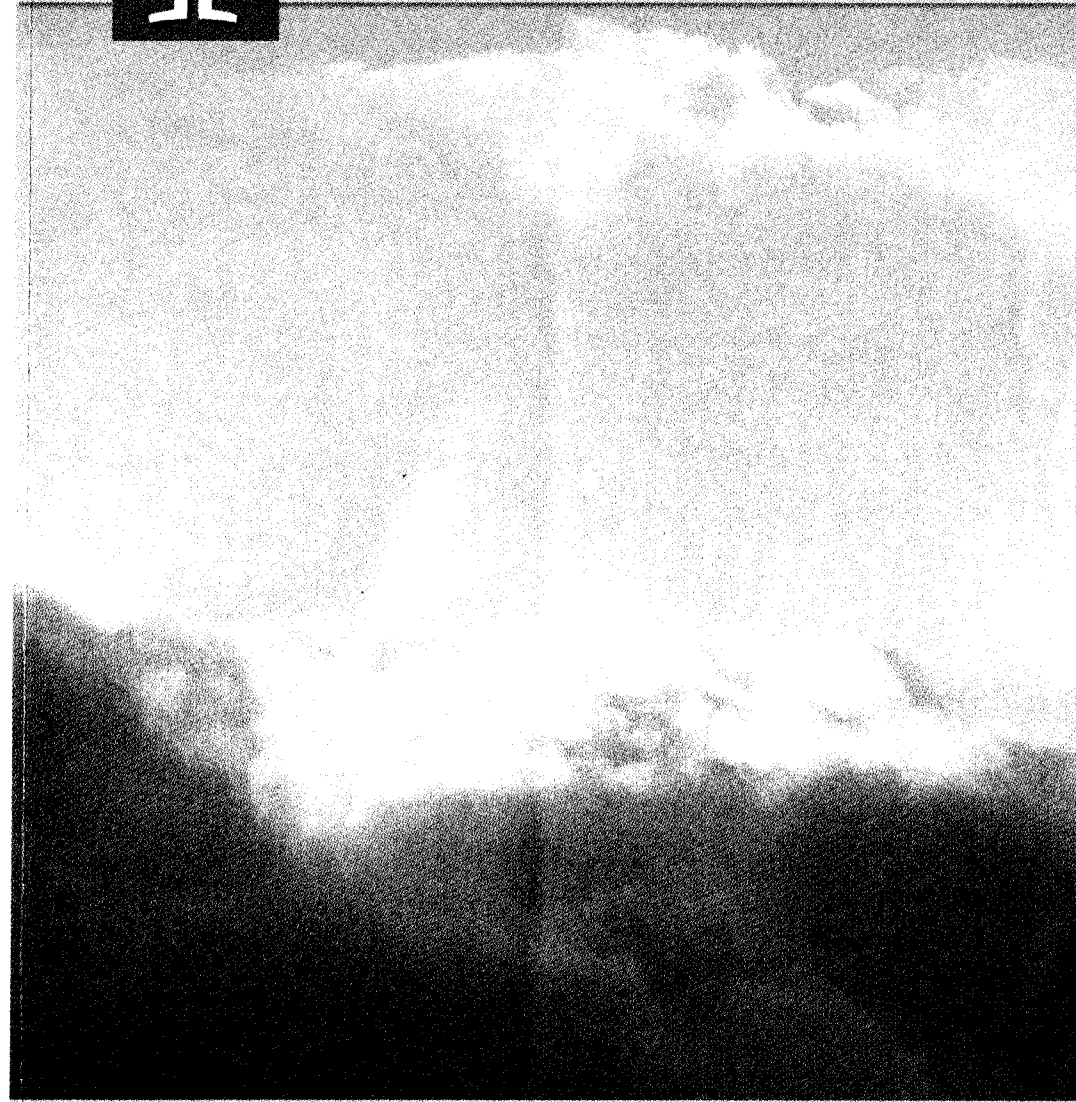
The Divine Shepherd

A PSALM OF DAVID.

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.



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FEB. 17, 2008 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes" Schreiner

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** "The God of Abraham Praise" # 61

***GREETING**

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

(All) Lord as we gather in your presence, many things about our lives, our times and our living in this world come into question. You tell us that we cannot enter your realm without being born anew. Yet we confess that we cling to habits and patterns that keep us from living and sharing our lives to the fullest. We confess the ways we live by the flesh and turn away from your Spirit, following the ways of the world, rather than the greater truth of your way. We ask your forgiveness, O Savior, trusting that your love and your compassion are greater than any of our sins. Blow your Spirit afresh into our hearts and minds so that we may have the courage to follow you wherever you lead. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) My friends, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Receive this word from God: you are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God!

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE** # 492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "God So Loved the World"

The Choir

10:30 a.m. "Even in the Valley"

Florence Gundlach & Lynn Sanders

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 12:1-4a

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORI TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 3:1-17

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"All My Hope on God is Founded"

Insert

SERMON

"GIVING UP SOMETHING FOR LENT"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Musical Reflection "For God So Loved the World" Hustad

***Doxology**

Hamburg

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***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

- (L) The Lord is your keeper,
(P) **The Lord is the shade at our right hand.**
(L) The sun will not strike you by day,
(P) **Nor the moon harm us by night.**
(L) The Lord will keep you from all evil.
(P) **The Lord is our life.**
(L) May the Lord keep your going out and your coming in
from this day forward and forevermore.
(All) **Amen**

***HYMN** *"Before The Cross of Jesus"* #261

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"The God of Abraham Praise"* arr. Innes

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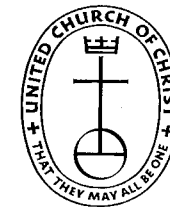
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GREETING

(L) May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

GATHERING IN SONG

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(All) *Jesus remember me, when you come into your kingdom.*

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(L) Remember, loving God, what you have wrought in us, and not what we deserve.

(All) **Through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:1, 5-15

MESSAGE

THE POWER OF PRAYER

*HYMN

"More Love to Thee"

#471

LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory

*Doxology

Hamburg

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*Prayer of Dedication

*SENDING FORTH

*PARTING HYMN

"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

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The Purpose of Prayer

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FEB. 24, 2008 **THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT** **8:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"* **Innes**

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** *"O Worship the King"* **# 10**

***GREETING**

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

(All) Patient God, we confess that we find it difficult to cope with change and at times we are like those wanderers in the wilderness, choosing to exercise selective memories about the past - remembering only the good things and forgetting the bad. Forgive us, O God, when we fail to trust your guidance in our lives. We confess that when we are confronted with crises in our lives, we hunger and thirst for immediate and a quick solutions and often blame you, O God, when this does not happen. Forgive us, O God, when we forget that you are with us in these crises, suffering with us and giving us the strength to cope. Jesus promised to satisfy our thirst through the gift of his life in us - as living water welling up within us providing a source of unending power and confidence. Forgive us, O God, when we look to material and physical sources to satisfy our thirst for meaning in our lives.

Remind us, O God, that your love has been poured a living water into our hearts through the sacrificial

love of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit. As rain replenishes and softens the dry ground, replenish and soften our hearts with the living water that only Christ can give. In his name we pray.

Amen

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) My friends, God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Receive with grateful hearts God's gift of forgiveness and reconciliation.

(P) **The Lord is a great God. Praise be to the Rock of our salvation.**

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE** **# 492**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"Fill My Cup Lord"*

Pam Georgiadis, Florence Gundlach

10:30 a.m. *"With All My Heart"*

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 17:1-7

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

Romans 5:1-11

(L) The Word of the Lord

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***GLORI TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 4:5-42

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"Amazing Grace"

Insert

SERMON

"LIFE-GIVING WATER"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:00)** Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

ORDER OF BAPTISM (10:30)

Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) May God, the Help of the helpless, grant you the strength that passes all expectation.
May Christ, the Hope of the hopeless, grant you the peace that passes all understanding.
May the Holy Spirit, the Comfort of the comfortless, grant you the assurance that passes all doubt.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

#316

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Toccata on Austrian Hymn"

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*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:38-42

MESSAGE

IMPEDIMENTS TO PRAYER

*HYMN

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

#469

LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERING

Offertory

*Doxology

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Demands my soul, my life, my all.

*Prayer of Dedication

*SENDING FORTH

*PARTING HYMN

"Nearer My God to Thee"

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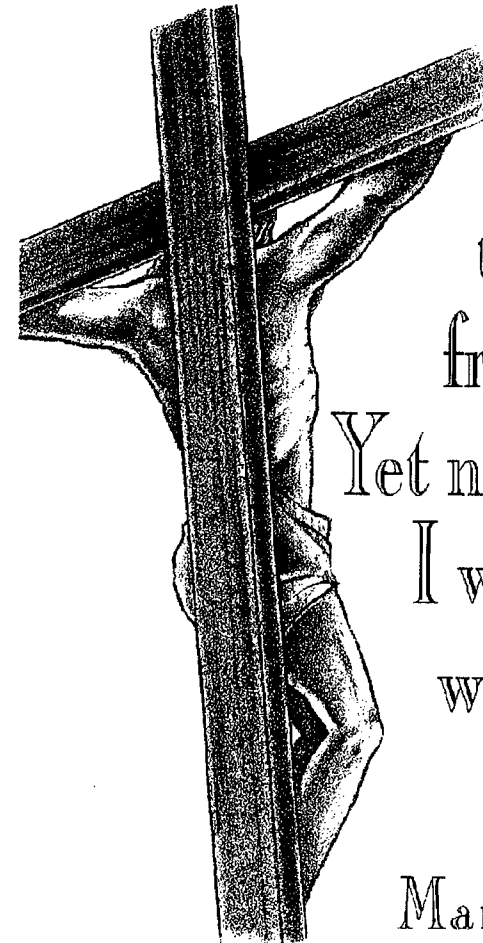
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MARCH 2, 2008 FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" arr. Johnson

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** "God Is My Shepherd" Insert

***GREETING**

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

(All) God of insight and light, you penetrate the darkness of our world by your love and the life of your Son. You call us to walk in Christ's ways of grace and compassion. This day we confess that we have closed our eyes to the needs of family and friends.

(silent reflection)

(L) Open our eyes to what we have done

(P) And open our hearts to your forgiveness.

(All) We confess that we have closed our eyes to what we have done to others, in word and deed and thought.

(silent reflection)

(L) Open our eyes to what we have done

(P) And open our hearts to your forgiveness

(All) We confess that we have closed our eyes to your path, O God, and have been led away from your call.

(silent reflection)

(L) Open our eyes to what we have done

(All) And open our hearts to your forgiveness. Help us to walk by your light so that goodness, righteousness, and truth are made visible as we reflect your love

and your mercy in and through all we say and do.

Amen

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) My friends once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light – enlightened, healed, forgiven by Jesus Christ, the Light of the World.

(P) The Lord our Shepherd restores our soul. Praise be to God.

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE # 492**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "There Is a Redeemer"

Pam Georgiadis & Chuck Rohlfling

10:30 a.m. "Old Rugged Cross Medley"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 16:1-13

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:8-14

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORI TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 11:1-45

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"Open My Eyes, That I Might See"

Insert

SERMON

"EYES TO SEE"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Nicene Creed

P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"Open My Eyes, That I May See"* DeCou

***Doxology** # 551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go from here anointed with the Spirit of God, and healed. And may God who is the Giver of light and the Healer of the blind, enlighten your path.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"Just As I Am"

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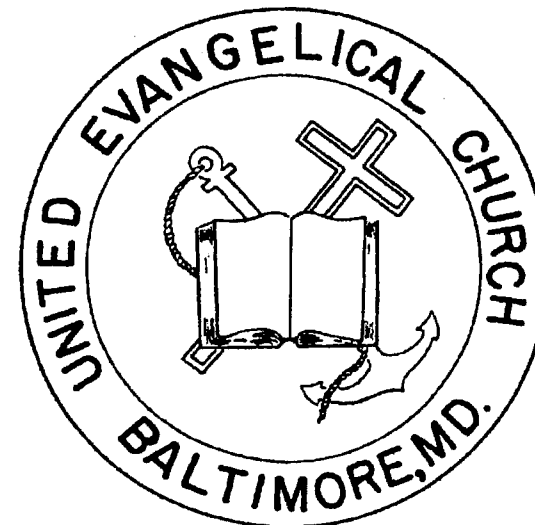
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POSTLUDE

"Awake, Awake to Love and Work"

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GREETING

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*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 14:32-42

MESSAGE

EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER

*HYMN

"Take My Life and Let it Be"

#253

LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERING

Offertory

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*Prayer of Dedication

*SENDING FORTH

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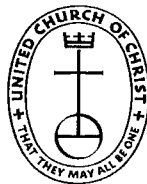
"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

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Mark 14:36

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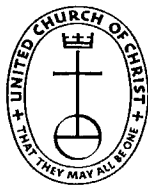
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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "The Old Rugged Cross" arr. Innes

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "The Old Rugged Cross" Hymnal frnt covr

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Almighty God, your salvation is never far from the contrite heart. Hear our confession of sin and have mercy upon us.

(silent reflection)

(L) For our many refusals of your call;

(P) For all our forgotten vows;

(L) For the excuses we have fashioned to hide from ourselves our unfaithful lives;

(P) For our readiness to blame others;

(L) For our selfish luxuries amid the oppression and sorrows of life;

(P) For the pleadings of your Spirit to which we have not harkened;

(L) For all these, have mercy upon us, O God.

(All) Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) My friends, our hope is in God whose steadfast love surrounds us and in whom there is great power to redeem. Hear the promise revealed to us in Jesus Christ, out of death comes life, and for sin comes forgiveness.

(P) Praise be to the God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE # 492

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WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m.

"I Sing As I Arise Today"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 37:1-14

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 8:6-11

(L) The Word of the Lord

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*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 11:1-45

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

#191

SERMON

"NEW LIFE"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"Out of the Depths I Cry to Thee"* Walther

*Doxology Hamburg

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*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go into the valleys knowing that the hand of God leads you. And may your hearts be strong, knowing that God hears your faintest prayer.

(All) Amen

*HYMN *"Are Ye Able, Said the Master"* Hymnal frnt covr

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POSTLUDE

"If You Trust in God"

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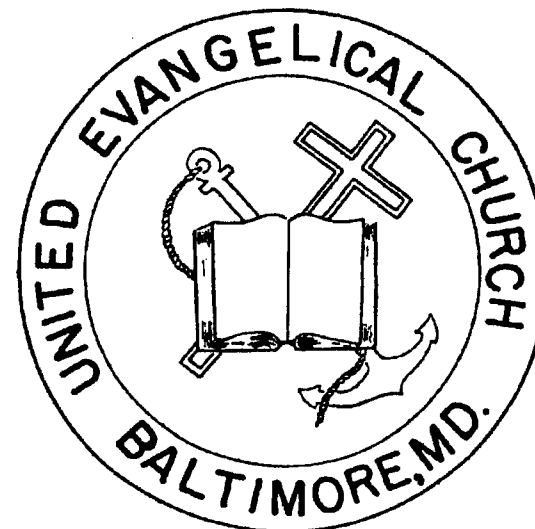
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GREETING

(L) May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 11:1-13

MESSAGE

THE ONE TO WHOM WE PRAY

*HYMN

"Seek Ye First"

Insert

LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

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*Prayer of Dedication

*SENDING FORTH

*PARTING HYMN

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

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MARCH 16, 2008 PALM SUNDAY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"The Palms"* Insert

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) We praise and bless you, ever-living God, for the acts of love and faithfulness by which you redeem the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. God our hope, today we joyfully acclaim Jesus, our Messiah and King. Even as the hosannas echo in our ears, we acknowledge before you the times we have been reluctant to walk in your way. We confess that we have resisted your call to live in community as servants of one another. Our hearts and our wills need your cleansing and restoration. O King of glory, form in us the humility and patience, the kindness and suffering love that reflect your glory. Then shall the world know that you are our God and we are your people. Through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Savior, we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) My friends, our hope is in Christ alone; who calls us to himself, healing our brokenness and making us whole. We turn to him and we are saved by his grace.

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WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"The Holy City"*

Lois Duvall

10:30 a.m. *"On the Way to Jerusalem"*

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:1-11

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

#135

SERMON

"HE HUMBLED HIMSELF"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH(8:00) Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

ORDER OF CONFIRMATION WITH BAPTISM (10:30) Insert

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*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

- (L) Hosanna!
- (P) **Hosanna in the Highest!**
- (L) Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!
- (P) **Hosanna to the Son of David!**
- (L) Go now from the waving of palms, and the singing of praise to enter into the suffering and death of this week. And may the Spirit of God give you the strength to endure the journey which is ahead.

(All) Amen.

*HYMN

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

#136

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE



Presenting the Cast

Bartholomew
James the Less
Andrew
Judas Iscariot
Peter
John
Thomas
James the Great
Phillip
Matthew
Thaddeus
Simon

Robert Rohlfig
Paul Bauersfeld
Abe Price
Carl Price
Timothy Watkins
Frank W. Barker
Clarence Rowell
Roger Russell
Art Jones
Calvin Gundlach
Harvey Jacob
William Single III

Narrator
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Music
Song
Co-Directors

Bob Osburne
Richard Single
Rob Gundlach
Ray Eberle
Arlene Pate
Carol Borkman
Gloria Rohlfig
Lynn Sanders
Cass Young
Lori Betch
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Jennifer Borkman
Diane Borkman
Pat Jenkins
Joan Stinchcomb

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MARCH 20, 2008

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:30 P.M.

PRELUDE

"Ab, Dearest Jesus"

arr. Middleton

WELCOME

*GATHERING TO WORSHIP

(L) "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

(P) **Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."**

(L) In worship on this night, we testify to God's love shown perfectly in Christ.

(P) **We recommit ourselves to love one another as a community of faith.**

(L) O taste and see that the Lord is good!

(P) **Come, let us worship the Lord!**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"My Song is Love Unknown"* see insert

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) **And also with you.**

*CALL TO CONFESSION

(L) As we remember this night of betrayal and desertion, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(All) **Merciful God, we have not loved you with all our heart and mind and strength and soul.**

(silent confession)

(L) Lord, have mercy upon us

(P) **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

(All) **We have not loved our neighbors as you have taught us.**

(silent confession)

(L) Christ, have mercy upon us

(P) **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

(All) **We are indifferent to the saving grace of your Word and**
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(L) Lord, have mercy upon us.

(P) **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

(All) **Forgive and heal us by your steadfast love made known to us in the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

RITUAL OF CLEANSING

RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

Wondrous Love

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,

To bear the heavy cross for my soul!

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Have You Been to Calvary"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

(L) The word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

(L) The word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory be to thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL READING

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to thee, O Christ"

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

"O Jesus We Adore Thee"

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MEDITATION

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"A Place Called Gethsemane"

Martin
Hamburg

*Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Consecration and Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

(We will commune at the rail by method of Intinction. You will be given a piece of bread, dip the bread in the common cup and then partake. The cup with the lighter liquid is grape juice, the darker liquid is wine.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain and has redeemed us by his blood, to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing. O God, we thank you for these gifts that reside in us, as we journey in the presence of Christ through these Holy days. May we remain faithful in love and hope until we gather at this His table again. Amen.

HYMN

"Go to Dark Gethsemane" (verses 1-3) # 144

SERVICE OF TENEBRAE

see insert



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MARCH 21, 2008

GOOD FRIDAY

9:00 A.M.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Were You There?" arr. Innes

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" # 142

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*CALL TO CONFESSION

(L) From the cross Jesus cried, "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." Let us confess our sins with the reassurance that our God is most merciful. Let us pray.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(All) Lord Jesus, like Israel we have abandoned you, like Judas we have betrayed you; like Peter we have denied you; and like the other disciples we have forsaken you. Yet you remain faithful to us unto death, even death on a cross. Gracious One, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from the past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

*KYRIE

(L) Lord have mercy upon us (P) Lord have mercy upon us
(L) Christ have mercy upon us (P) Christ have mercy upon us
(L) Lord have mercy upon us (P) Lord have mercy upon us

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross.

(P) All praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

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What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,

To bear the heavy cross for my soul!

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Cross Medley"

The Choir

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

THE SEVEN WORDS FROM THE CROSS

The first word of Forgiveness Luke 23:32-38

Meditation

(silent reflection)

"Amazing Grace" verses 1 & 2

Insert

The second word of Salvation

Luke 23:39-43

Meditation

(silent reflection)

"Just As I Am" verses 1 & 5

214

The third word of Affection

John 19:25b-27

Meditation

(silent reflection)

"My Faith Looks Up" verses 1 & 2

221

The fourth word of Anguish

Matthew 27:45-46

Meditation

(silent reflection)

"Were You There?" verses 1 & 2

Insert

The fifth word of Suffering

John 19:28

Meditation

(silent reflection)

"Alas! And Did My Savior" verses 1 & 2

#153

The sixth word of Victory

John 19:29-30

Meditation

(silent reflection)

"It is Finished" verses 1 & 4

156

The seventh word of Contentment Luke 23:44-46
Meditation

(silent reflection)

"Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" verses 1 & 3

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WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "Christ Lay in the Bonds of Death" Bach

*Doxology Hamburg

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

- (L) Let us go in gratitude for the amazing love of Jesus Christ - the love that was wounded for our transgressions;
- (P) **The love that was tortured that we might know peace.**
- (L) The love that was crucified that we might live forever.
- (P) **The love that rightly demands our souls, our lives, our all.**
- (L) Let us go into the world revealing that love in all its fullness.
- (All) **Amen**

*PARTING HYMN "The Old Rugged Cross" Hymnal front cover

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

†(Please be seated while the bells toll 33 times, symbolic of each year of Jesus life, pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

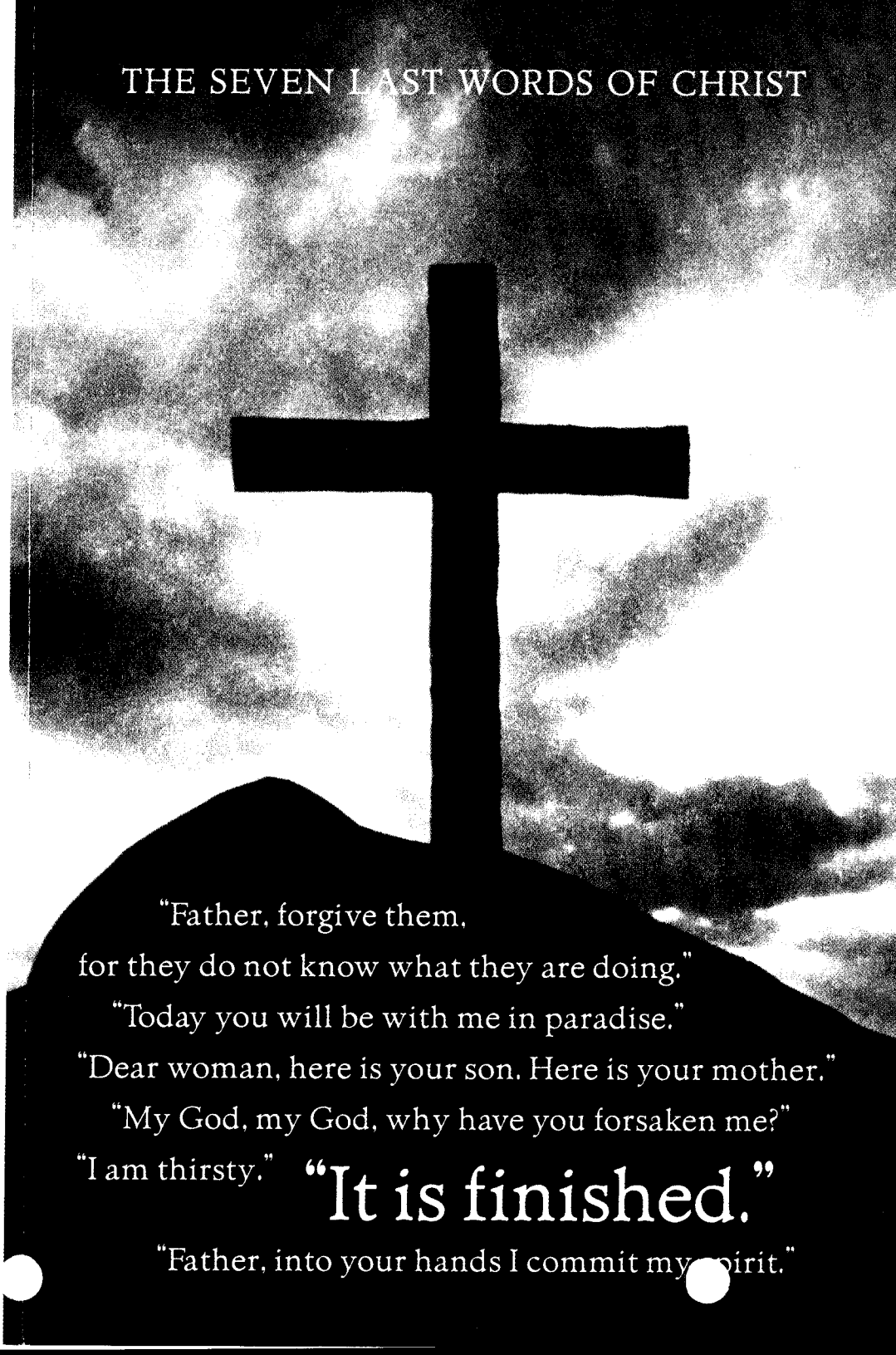
POSTLUDE

"Rest In Peace"

Bach



THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST



"Father, forgive them,
for they do not know what they are doing."
"Today you will be with me in paradise."
"Dear woman, here is your son. Here is your mother."
"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
"I am thirsty." "It is finished."
"Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."

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MARCH 23, 2008

LIVING CROSS

9:15 A.M.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

"Jesus Loves Me"

see opposite

OPENING PRAYER

THE STORY OF THE LIVING CROSS

THE CROSS COMES TO LIFE

EASTER GREETING

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen Indeed!

Alleluia

Alleluia

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

167

Verse 1

Jesus loves me this I know

For the Bible tells me so

Little ones to Him belong

'They are weak but He is strong

Chorus 1

Yes Jesus loves me

Yes Jesus loves me

Yes Jesus loves me

The Bible tells me so

Verse 2

Jesus loves me this I know

As he loved so long ago

Taking children on his knee,

Saying "Let them come to me."

Verse 3

Jesus loves me still today,

Walking with me on my way,

Wanting as a friend to give

Light and love to all who live



Christ The Lord Is Risen Today, Alleluia!



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MARCH 23, 2008

EASTER DAY

6:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth" arr. Johnson

OPENING SENTENCE

(L) Behold he is not here; for he has been raised as he said.
See the place where he lay, there is nothing but linen wrappings

(P) **Where O death, is your victory? Where O death is your sting?**

(L) Death has been swallowed up in victory. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

(P) **Christ is risen indeed!**

***OPENING HYMN** "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" # 167

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) **And also with you.**

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of Easter glory and resurrection power, we admit that though we sing praises to your name when we worship, there are times when our actions do not bring you praise. We confess the times we judge others or gossip idly, bringing hurt instead of love. Other times we refuse to act in compassion because it would mean going out of our way. Forgive us, God. Help us to praise you not only with our voices but with our living, so that the risen Christ may truly be glorified. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Christ, being raised from the dead, dies no more;

(P) **Death has no more dominion over him.**

(L) For in that he died, he died unto sin once for all.

(P) **But in that he lives, he lives unto God.**

(L) Likewise you also must consider yourselves to be dead to sin;

(P) **And alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
Alleluia

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE Hyfrydol

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;

Alleluia to the Savior who has won the victory

Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctify

Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

6:00 a.m.

"Open the Gates of the Temple"

Darlene Waters

10:30 a.m.

"Then Came the Morning"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-43

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:1-18

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

#174

SERMON

"TURNING SORROW INTO JOY"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

P. 24 Hymnal

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

6:00 a.m. *"The Strife is O'er"* arr. Young

10:30 a.m. *"Alleluia with Christ the Lord Is Risen"* Mozart

***Doxology** # 551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

Insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Christ is risen!

(P) **Christ is risen indeed.**

(L) Now go quickly and share the news that Jesus has risen from the dead and even now is going on ahead of you where you will meet him in the Galilee of your common, daily lives. And may the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the church, make you complete in every good thing, working in you that which is a delight to God.

(All) **Amen!**

***HYMN**

"The Day of Resurrection"

#165

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Christ the Lord is Risen"

arr. Innes

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**SING ALLELUJAH
TO THE LORD**

I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

John 11:25-26

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MARCH 30, 2008 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Adagio" Mozart

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" # 166

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Living God, we bring our doubts and our questions and ask that you help us let go of everything we hold on to, everything that holds us, shapes us, controls us, and makes us doubt your presence. The memories of hurt which speak loudly to us and cripple us; the words that linger and haunt us; the acts we have done that have hurt and abused others which hound us; all these things that dull us, and make us doubt your presence help us let go now.

(silent reflection)

(L) Come Risen One;

(All) And re-create your glory within us, so that we can see you among us and the world can witness the Good News that resurrection brings through us. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Although you do not see him now, rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

(P) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! Who by great mercy has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE Hyfrydol

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior who has won the victory
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctify
Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "My Prayer To You"

Claire Hovermill, Diane Borkman

10:30 a.m. "Jesus Lover of My Soul"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:3-9

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-31

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"

#169

SERMON

8:00 a.m.

"MARY SPEAKS"

10:30 a.m.

"WITHOUT A DOUBT"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "My Eyes for Beauty Pine" Howells

***Doxology** #551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) May you find Jesus standing beside you. May he be close enough to touch. May he breathe on all your living, and speak peace into you life. Go now in that peace – always.

(All) Amen

***HYMN** "Welcome Happy Morning" # 170

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

†(Please be seated while the candles are extinguished, pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

POSTLUDE "Wer nur den lieben Gott läßt walten" Bach

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APRIL 6, 2008 **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER** **8:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Prelude on King's Weston" Williams

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** "Jesus, Sovereign, Savior" Insert

***GREETING**

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

(All) O God, in this Easter season our mouths are filled with "alleluias and amens" still the reality of resurrection is a mystery to us. We confess that there are many things which keep us from recognizing you. When we are so full of ourselves, it is all too easy to block you right out of our lives. We don't recognize you in our neighbor, or in the guise of the poor or the dispossessed. Daily you give us the benefits of salvation but our eyes and ears have become so crammed with the sights and sounds of living that we simply fail to see your everlasting love, your healing grace and the presence of your Spirit in our midst. Risen Lord Jesus, help us to empty ourselves of all that hinders our awareness of your presence with us. Fill us with the joy of knowing your continuing presence, so that, like those travelers on the road to Emmaus, we too, hasten to share this great good news with others. Amen

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) My friends we have been ransomed from futile ways with the precious blood of Christ, and have been born anew through the living and enduring word of God. Christ is risen and in his rising we too walk in newness of life.

(P) Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE** Hyfrydol

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior who has won the victory
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctify
Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Don't Overlook Salvation"

Claire Hovermill & Darlene Waters

10:30 a.m. "Sing and Rejoice"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:17-23

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORI TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 24:13-35

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

#205

SERMON

"RECOGNIZING THE MOMENT"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Nicene Creed

P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"More Precious Than Silver"* arr. Innes

***Doxology** # 551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go from here full of surprise and wonder, for Christ is among us. And may your eyes be open, your hearts untied, your minds unlocked that the world might know the presence of God in every path you take.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"He Lives"

Insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

†(Please be seated while the candles are extinguished, pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

POSTLUDE

"In Peace and Joy I Now Depart"

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APRIL 13, 2008 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" arr. DeCou

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "When All Thy Mercies" # 84

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) We praise you, O God, for your love which shepherds us. Through your Son, your goodness and mercy came to us. And yet, we confess that there are times when we fail to hear and obey the Shepherd's call. Forgive us, O God, for the times when we fail to reach out and accompany those who are going through difficult times; those who feel imprisoned in a valley of shadows and find themselves overwhelmed by life.

(silent reflection)

(L) Jesus, Good Shepherd, help us to take the time and make the space to hear your call to us.

(All) That we might reveal your love, compassion and comfort wherever you need us to bind up the wounds of the victims of today's society. Help us to respond to your call to empty ourselves of all that is contrary to your life within us, so that your goodness and mercies are enjoyed not as rewards to be

hoarded but as gifts to be shared. We ask this all in your name. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins we might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

(P) For we were going astray like sheep, but now have been returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls. Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE Hyfrydol

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior who has won the victory
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctify
Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S TIME

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m. "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"
The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 2:42-47

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:19-25

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:1-10

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"The Lord My Shepherd Is"

#307

SERMON

"ALL FOR LOVE"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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Musical Reflection

8:00 a.m. *"Sheep May Safely Graze"* Bach

10:30 a.m. *"The Lord's Prayer"*
Kim Iwanowski

***Doxology**

#551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go into all of life knowing that God goes with you. And may the hope of God's promises be written upon your heart, carrying you to those whose hearts hold no hope.

(All) Amen

***HYMN** *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* # 461

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

†(Please be seated while the candles are extinguished, pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

POSTLUP™ *"Adagio Maestoso"* Handel

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APRIL 20, 2008 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Rock of Ages" arr. Bish

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "For the Beauty of the Earth" # 12

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is risen from the grave and has shattered the power of death, we are still held captive by fear and doubt. We hold on to suspicions and jealousies that set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We have neglected the poor and the hungry. In our pursuit of the "good life" we have gone along with injustices we have ignored the cries of the oppressed. We pursue profits and pleasures that harm the land and pollute the waters. We have squandered the Earth's gifts on technologies of destruction. Have mercy on us, O God. Help us, to trust your power to change our lives and make us new that we and all your creatures may know the joy of life abundant given through Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you might proclaim the

mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy."

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hyfrydol

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior who has won the victory
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctify
Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Corner Stone"
The Choir

10:30 a.m. "My Prayer to You"

Claire Hovermill, Diane Borkman

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 7:55-60

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:2-10

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:1-14

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Thou Art the Way"

#238

SERMON

"THE TRUTH"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH(8:00) Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

ORDER OF BAPTISM (10:30)

Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "How Firm a Foundation" arr. Bish

*Doxology #551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go now, believing in God the Creator, who moved upon the face of the deep at the beginning of creation, who created all that is and who spoke through the prophets.

Go, trusting in Jesus Christ, in whom God's Spirit was poured in the fullness of time, in whom the whole creation is restored.

Go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit to witness to God's love in Christ, to proclaim with words and deed the good news of love and hope for all the world.

(All) Amen

*HYMN "This is My Father's World" # 65

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE "The Church's One Foundation" arr. Innes

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A SERVICE OF WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION

Louis William Parker, Sr.

July 8, 1921 – April 18, 2008

April 23, 2008

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

*PROCESSION AND OPENING SENTENCES

*HYMN OF ADORATION *"Jesus Calls Us"* #207

*GREETING

(L) May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all

(P) And also with you

PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 14

MEDITATION

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

*HYMN OF REMEMBRANCE *"Breathe on Me Breath of God"* #191

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING - LORD'S PRAYER

*COMMENDATION

*BENEDICTION

*PARTING HYMN *"Savior Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise"* #32

POSTLUDE

*If able please stand

Psalm 23

The Divine Shepherd

A PSALM OF DAVID.

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley

of the shadow of death,

I fear no evil;

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff—

they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD

forever.

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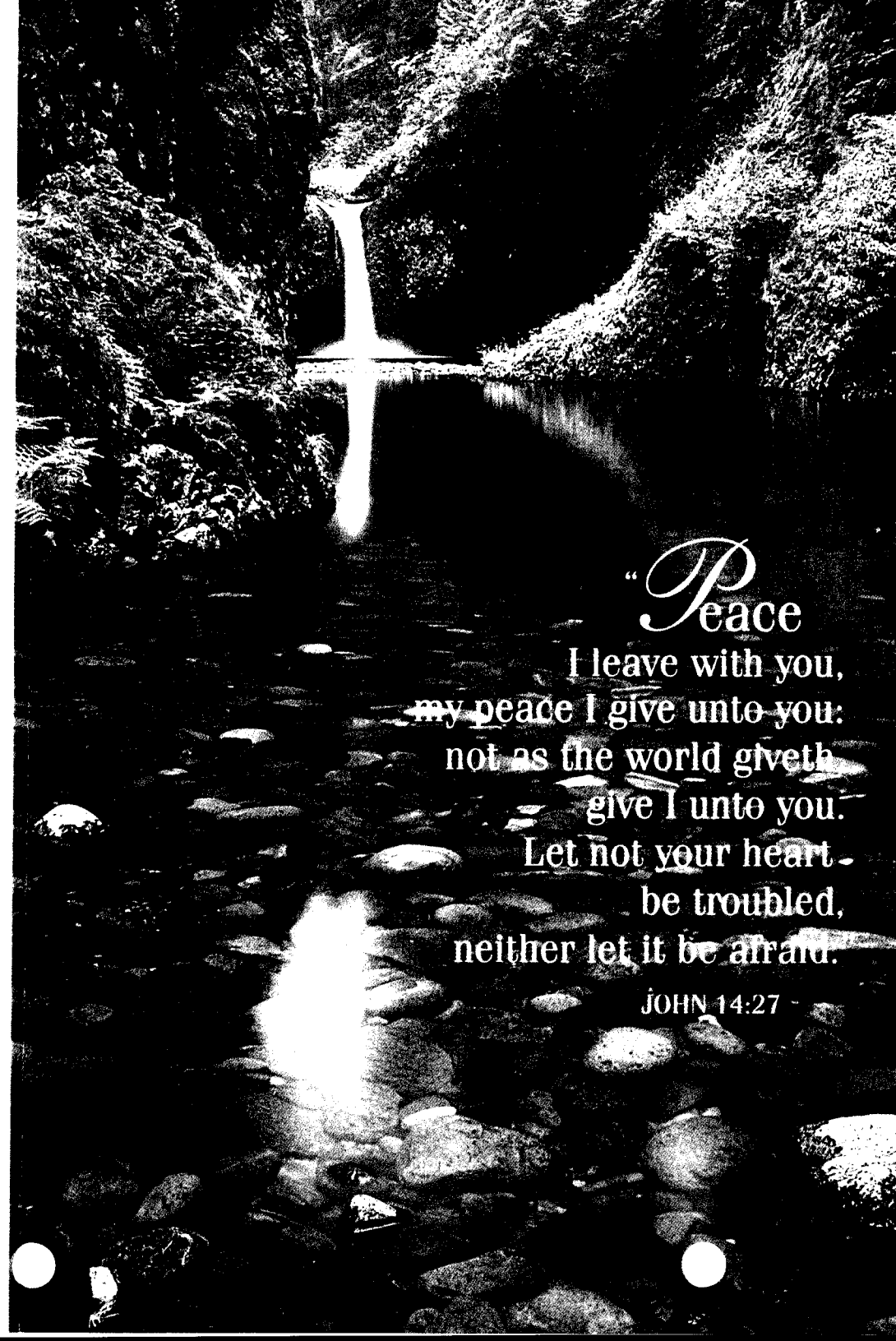
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I leave with you,
~~my~~ peace I give unto you:
not as the world giveth
give I unto you.
Let not your heart
be troubled,
neither let it be afraid.

JOHN 14:27

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APRIL 27, 2008 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Love Divine" arr. Innes

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" # 21

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Forgiving One, we hear the world speak in power and in greed, and we hear you speak in love and grace. We turn now to face you with our confessions. When we have been persuaded by the want that leads to hurt, the hankering that leads to greed, the yearning that leads to selfishness, forgive us for following the wrong way. When we have been persuaded by the spin that becomes truth, the belief that becomes dogma, the fear that becomes intolerance, forgive us for following the wrong way. God, known and unknown, forgiving and full of grace, we turn away from the gods of our culture and choose to follow you. In Christ we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring us to God. So hear again this great good news, that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven, we are loved, we are made new.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hyfrydol

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior who has won the victory
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctify
Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "There's Within My Heart a Melody"
Florence Gundlach and Chuck Rohlfing

10:30 a.m. "Corner Stone"
The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 17:22-31

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:13-22

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:15-21

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

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SERMON

"MAKING PREPARATIONS"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection . *"O, the Deep Love of Jesus"* arr. Innes

#551

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) God sends us out into the world.

(P) **But not alone.**

(L) God sends us out into the world.

(P) **But not without support.**

(L) God sends us out into the world

(P) **But not forsaken.**

(L) We go in God and God in us blessed and filled with the promise of life.

(All) **Amen**

***HYMN** *"Ask Ye What Great Things I Know"* # 239

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Come, O Creator Spirit Blest"* Walther

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MAY 4, 2008 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Siciliano" Bach

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" # 184

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Merciful God, we look around us at the world, at our nation, our local communities, our families, and we acknowledge the presence of conflict, pain and suffering. These all affect our lives at one time or another. We know that we can lessen the pain when we reach out to those who are hurting, and when we look for ways to bring restoration and healing where there is brokenness. We confess that there are times when we fail to recognize the suffering and needs of others and so forget to share your love revealed so clearly in Jesus. Forgive us when we happily accept the blessings of life while neglecting to serve as he served - with unconditional love, humility and compassion. Empower us with your Spirit to be strong, yet gentle, bearers of your love and compassion through our words, our actions and our lives. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) We can cast all our burdens on God who cares for us deeply. So, be assured that the Spirit of God is resting upon us, restoring, supporting and strengthening us all with power. Hear then the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hyfrydol

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WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Tell Me the Story of Jesus"
Lois Duvall

10:30 a.m. "How Beautiful"
The Choir

Nick Pietrowski, Violin

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 1:6-14

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Peter 4:12-14

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:15-21

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

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SERMON

"WITNESSES"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Nicene Creed P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "Trust in the Lord" Handel #551

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go now to live disciplined and alert; resisting evil, standing firm in your faith. And may the God of all grace, who called you to eternal glory in Christ, restore, support, strengthen and establish you.

(All) Amen

***HYMN** "I Love to Tell the Story" # 467

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE "Improvisation on Diademata" Smith

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MAY 11, 2008 PENTECOST 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"* arr. DeCou

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit"* # 464

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Spirit of God, your power blows in our world, across the Earth, and into our lives. Your creative power is evident all around us. Forgive us when we do not receive you, Spirit, with gratitude. When we find ourselves neglecting the needs of others because we've run out of time to be kind; when we persistently make self-centered decisions rather than Christ centered ones; when we believe that we can't get anywhere in this world living by your spirit of gentleness or even self-control; Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on us. Create within us a clean heart, O God and put a new and right spirit within, that we might be fruitful and vital disciples of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Jesus said, "Peace be with you," and then breathed out the Spirit. Receive the Holy Spirit who bears the flame of cleansing and forgiveness.

(P) We receive the Spirit. Filled and forgiven, our hearts sing for joy!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"I Can Only Imagine"*

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m. *"In the Name of the Lord"*

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Numbers 11:24-30

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-21

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-23

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

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SERMON

"THE EVIDENCE OF THE SPIRIT"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Amen.

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Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"Spirit Song"*

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#551

***Doxology**

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Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) You are sent out by the Son, as the Son was sent by God.
Go in the power of the Spirit, and may the peace of God carry you wherever the Spirit leads.

(All) Amen

***HYMN** *"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"*

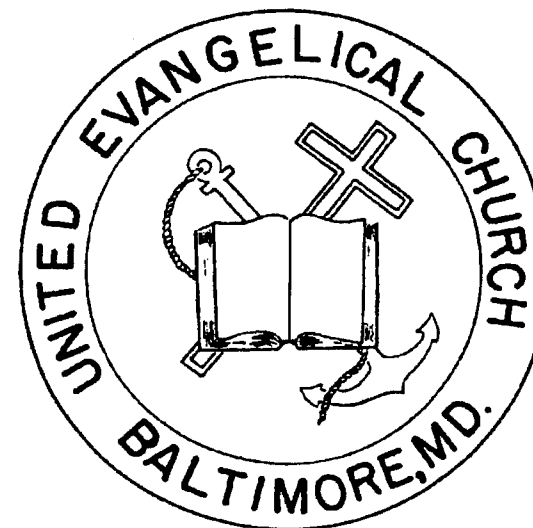
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POSTLUDE *"Come Holy Ghost, Creator Blest"*

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May 18, 2008 Trinity Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"How Great Thou Art"* arr. Linker

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* # 1

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) **And also with you.**

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) **Living Jesus, we come before you and each other today to search our ways and thoughts, and to acknowledge the truth of our personal and collective journeys, in holy anticipation of your transforming grace.**

(silent reflection)

(L) We confess how we prefer to listen to ourselves and often neglect the cry and pain of all our neighbors on life's journey. We confess how we prefer our own truths and myths, and often neglect and refuse your truth.

(P) **We confess how we prefer those of our own ancestry, those of our own kind, and often neglect and refuse to have the highest and holiest regard for all your children. We confess how we prefer the prison of our pride and our divisions, and often neglect and refuse the unity of your one Spirit over all the earth.**

(L) We confess how we prefer our privileges, and often neglect and refuse to share the bounties of the earth. We confess how we prefer our own safety and comfort, and
 n turn a blind eye to the hate, oppression and violence inflicted on those who are different.

(P) **We confess how we prefer our stadiums, arenas, and social halls, and neglect congregating in your name and for the sake of the world.**

(All) **Loving Jesus, we repent of our neglect and refusal to follow your ways and thoughts. We pray that you will have mercy on us, forgive us and free us to know, embrace and live truthfully and wholly in you and in each other, now and always. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Hear the good news: God's gift of grace in Jesus Christ forgives us and sets us free to live full human lives in community. Go forth confident of the grace to see with new eyes beyond all prejudice; to imagine with renewed fervor justice and mercy for all, and to create with a new will a community where all are given access to God's abundant life.

(All) **We go forward in the grace of God, giving thanks.**

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"In the Name of the Lord"*
 The Choir

10:30 a.m. *"Hear Me When I Cry"*

Florence Gundlach, Lynn Sanders, Eric Sanders

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 1: 1-2:4a

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

*GLORI TIBI "Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"
 *GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 28:16-20
 *LAUS TIBI "Praise be to Thee, O Christ"
 *HYMN "Morning Has Broken" Insert
 SERMON "TO SPIN OR NOT TO SPIN"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:00) Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal
 SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:30) Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is
 in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive
 us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass
 against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver
 us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and
 the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "Holy, Holy, Holy" Post

***Doxology** #551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
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 Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Brothers and sisters, put things in order, agree with one
 another, live in peace; and may the God of love and peace
 be with you always.

(All) Amen

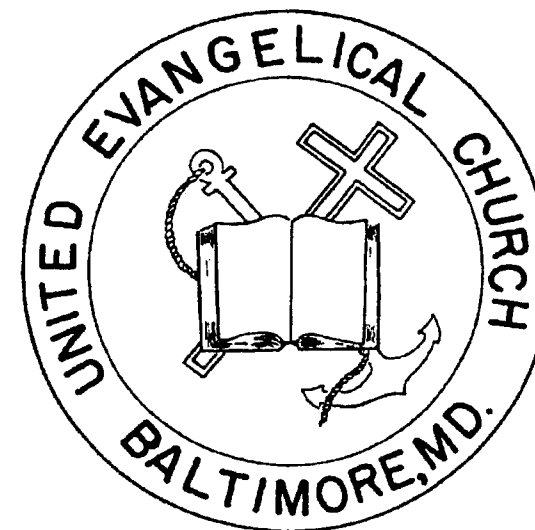
*HYMN "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" #198

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLU1 "Prelude in F Minor" Bach

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May 25, 2008 Second Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "His Eye is on the Sparrow" Gabriel

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "God of Our Fathers" # 440

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Lord Jesus Christ, you warned us of the dangers of making social status, wealth, or reputation priorities in our lives, and we confess how easily our lives can become enmeshed in such worldly values. We know that the pursuit of such values leads to needless worry and anxiety, yet we get caught up in the fear that we will have too little money or security in the future. You remind us that the lilies of the field are not obsessed with work or worries, yet God makes them beautiful. Grow our trust in God's care for us and help us to weave that trust into the fabric of our lives. Embrace our weaknesses with your strength, our brokenness with your wholeness, our suffering with your healing, our fears and anxieties with your peace. Lord Jesus Christ, receive these our prayers, for we offer them in your name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Everywhere we go, God is there. Everything we need, God seeks to provide. When we confess our sin, God is there, providing forgiveness. Rejoice in the forgiveness God offers.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "The Broken Ones"

Diane Borkman

10:30 a.m. "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:8-16a

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 4:1-5

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 6:24-34

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Seek Ye First"

Insert

SERMON "THE KINGDOM AND ITS RIGHTEOUSNESS"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

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Musical Reflection *"Cares Chorus"*

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***Doxology**

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***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go as servants of Christ to be stewards of God's mysteries. And may God the Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier, strengthen, transform and guide you.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN** *"America, the Beautiful"*

#443

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Postlude on America"*

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June 01, 2008 Third Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Antiphon" Dupre

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" # 281

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) We come before you O God, with our eyes and minds filled with the hard things of our world. We confess that in sadness and anger, we daydream about starting over with a fresh world. Yet we know you have called your creation "good" and "very good," O God. Forgive us when we have lost our memory of good things. Help us see the things of hope that we no longer can see. Remind us of the stories of promise when we have let those stories get flooded with our own anxious things. Return us to our identity as your people in the presence of Christ. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God creates us over and over again for new life. God promises new life in the midst of our brokenness. Hear the good news. God forgives us. God renews us.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Hear Me When I Cry"

Florence Gundlach, Lynn Sanders, and Eric Sanders

10:30 a.m.

"I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 6:9-22; 7:24; 8:14-19

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 1:16-17; 3:22b-28 (19-31)

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 7:21-29

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"My Hope is Built"

Insert

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"Rock of Ages"

arr. Bish

*Doxology

#551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go now and build your lives upon the rock of Jesus Christ. And may God the Creator endow you with divine gifts. God the Savior teach you divine truths, and God the Spirit guide you along divine paths.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN** *"Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"* **Insert**

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Prelude in F Minor"* **Bach**

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June 08, 2008 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Adagio" Powell

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" #7

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) O God, we know your restoring love through the welcome of a stranger, the touch of a friend, and the gift of healing and wholeness. Make us mindful of your love this day so we might be restored to you and one another.

(Silent Reflection)

(L) From the arrogance of exclusivity to the inclusive love of community,

(P) Restore us, O God.

(L) From the isolation of religiosity to the common fold of faith,

(P) Restore us, O God.

(L) From the pain of disease to the hope of healing wholeness,

(P) Restore us, O God.

(L) From the haughty seat of judgment to the common table of Christ,

(P) Restore us, O God.

(L) From the fear of death to the joy of new life in spirit,

(All) Restore us, O God. Breathe your spirit afresh into our hearts and minds-our lives-so that we have the courage to follow Jesus wherever he takes us. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) My friends Jesus came not to call the righteous but to call sinners. We come to God with all the broken pieces of our lives and the love of God makes us whole. Receive this good news, and live in the healing love is God which comes to us in Jesus Christ.

(P) In Christ we are restored, in Christ we are empowered to serve. Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Who Am I"

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m.

"Sing and Rejoice"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 12:1-9

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 4:13-25

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN "The God of Abraham Praise" #61
SERMON "GO AND LEARN"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed by thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "Trust and Obey" arr. Innes

*Doxology #551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

(L) God is calling. Go to bring healing and be healed. Go to serve and to be served. Go to transform the world and to be transformed. And may the God of promise, the God of grace, and the God of hope guide your going.

(P) Amen.

*HYMN "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" #221

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE "The God of Abraham Praise" arr. Innes

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" arr. Innes

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Faith of Our Fathers" #282

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Gracious Host of heaven and earth, we celebrate your invitation to worship and serve in your name. We are honored by your call and long to answer in faithfulness. Yet we confess those attitudes and allegiances which hold us back: fear, discouragement, guilt, laziness, lack of confidence, greed, self-centeredness, lack of compassion, and all other things that lie in our hearts. Speak our names, O God and fill us with courage so we can move forward in faith and respond with compassionate love. In Christ we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) You have been named by God and called by Christ to serve in this world. Live in faith and proclaim the good news of God that is found in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ.

(P) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Lift Your Voice"

The Choir

10:30 a.m. "The Broken Ones"

Diane Borkman

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7)

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 5:1-8

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 9:35-10:8, (9-23)

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"All My Hope on God is Founded" Insert

SERMON

"USHERING IN HOPE"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed by thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into

those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"Tiento"

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*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

(L) The harvest is large, but there are not many workers to gather it in. Go to proclaim the gospel. To heal. To bring new life. To challenge the forces of evil. And may the God of power and hope lead you.

(All) Amen.

*HYMN

"O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

#205

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Come, Labor On"

arr. Fergusson

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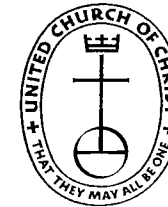
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June 22, 2008 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Children of the Heavenly Father" arr. Bish

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Now Thank We All Our God" #72

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Lord Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace, you warn us today that you have not come to bring peace, but a sword. Forgive us for believing in 'peace at any price' and forgetting that the cost of peace for you was a life spent challenging and defeating the power of evil and sin. Pierce our weakness with your strength and give us courage to confront behavior which is contrary to all your teach us. Strip away all that prevents us from exercising faith and courage in the face of injustice. Expose the fearfulness that shapes much of our decision making and replace it with the courage of your convictions. Lord Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace, give us your strength we pray, so that, empowered by your Spirit, we may be bearers of love, peace and reconciliation, wherever you lead us. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Jesus died and rose again so that we might experience "newness of life...and can consider ourselves dead to sin

and alive to God in Jesus Christ". The good news therefore is this: in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen, Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Be Strong in the Lord"

Pam Georgiadis and Chuck Rohlfling

10:30 a.m. "Lift Your Voice"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 21:8-21

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 6:1b-11

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 10:24-39

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"His Eye is on the Sparrow"

Insert

SERMON

"DISTURBING THE PEACE"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"I Have Decided"* art. DeCou

***Doxology** #551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

- (L) God tells us, "Do not be afraid!"
- (P) Jesus tells us, "Have no fear!"
- (L) Paul tells us, "Death no longer has dominion..."
- (P) The psalmist tells us, "God is abounding in steadfast love."
- (L) Let us go out to our work unafraid.
- (P) Let us go out to our ministries, confident that God is with us.
- (L) Let us go out to our discipleship in newness of life.
- (P) Let us go out to our service with grace and strength
- (L) Where God leads, go with confidence. Where God sends, go with faith.
- (All) Amen.

***HYMN** *"Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken"* #249

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Now Thank We All Our God"* Karg-Elert

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Prayer" Boelleman

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Be Still My Soul" #87

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Gracious and merciful God, over and over again you challenge us to risk becoming the people you know we can become with your love and Jesus' life within us. When our inaction and lack of involvement leads to others being controlled by the power of sin; when our conduct fails to measure up to the demands of the Gospel; when we use our gifts to further our own ambitions rather than building others up - merciful God, forgive us. God of grace and mercy, help us to empty ourselves of habits which are destructive to ourselves and others, so that we can be filled with the selfless life of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) The good news is this: We are no longer under law, but under God's grace. The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord through whom we are freed from sin and brought from th to life.

(P) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Steps"

Pam Georgiadis and Florence Gundlach

10:30 a.m. "Total Praise"
The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 22:1-14

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-23

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 10:40-42

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant"

Insert

SERMON

"HOSPITALITY"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:00) Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (10:30)

Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"God Will Provide a Lamb"* Card #551

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Just as God has welcomed us, let us go to welcome others in the name of our Lord. And may the God of Abraham and Isaac provide all you need for your journey.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN** *"Something for Thee"* #470

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Postlude"* Couperin

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July 06, 2008 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Lord, I Want to be a Christian" arr. Young

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Praise Ye the Lord" #8

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) O God of the Saints, like the Apostle Paul we hear the many voices which sound within and around, weighing us down with burdens too great to bear. We are reminded daily of the ways we have fallen short, the places we have not succeeded, the tasks we have left undone. We confess the ways we have not done the good we want, but instead have done the evil we do not want. Quiet the voices, still our minds, and make us mindful of you.

(silent reflection)

(L) Into your merciful hands we place our lives, O God.

(All) Help us to receive your grace which offers us the strength to start anew. In Christ's name we pray.
Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) My friends, we have died to the law through the body of Christ, that we may belong to him who has been raised from the dead; and by him we have been set free from sin and brought into newness of life.

(P) Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "God Will Take Care of You"

Lois Duvall

10:30 a.m. "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Darlene Waters

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Romans 7:15-25a

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI "Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

*LAUS TIBI "Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN "Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" #305

SERMON "A PLACE OF REST"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "O Rest" Mendelssohn

*Doxology #551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

Insert

***SENDING FORTH**

- (L) From this time of sacred rest God invites us to go, refreshed and renewed, stronger and wiser.
- (P) From this time of sacred rest, we go, bearing a yoke that is easy and leaving behind the burdens that belong to God.
- (L) Let us go in peace.
- (All) Amen.

***HYMN** *"My Country 'Tis Of Thee"* #441

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Postlude on America"* arr. Koulroy

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July 13, 2008 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Thy Word" Grant

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "All Creatures of our God and King" #15

*GREETING

(I) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Loving God, Sower of grace, we admit to you that we are like stony fields, capable of growing goodness and sharing it around, but also prone to allowing goodness to wither and weeds to flourish. Your mercy has taken root in us but we do not share enough of it; your justice has inspired us but we have sparingly pursued it; your truth has shone on us but we have hidden it under a false modesty; your inclusive love has brought us together but we indulge in the things that separate. Most loving God, open the furrows of our lives to receive again the seeds of your Gospel. Rain your mercy upon us, shine your warmth and light into every dark place, and bring forth in us not the harvest we deserve but the harvest that in your glorious love you have purposed for us. Through Christ Jesus our Saviour we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus for he has set us free from the law of sin and death.

(P) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Be Still My Soul"

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m. "Me and God"

Eric Sanders and Lynn Sanders

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 25:19-34

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 8:1-11

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Thy Word"

Insert

SERMON "HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed by thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Musical Reflection *"Holy and Anointed One "* **Barnett**
#551

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go from here to sow God's love. And may God be the
light on your path, the breeze on your back, and the
peace in your heart.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN** *"Almighty God, Your Word is Cast"* **Insert**

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Prelude in F Minor"* **Bach**

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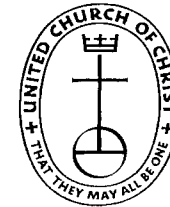
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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Prelude in B Minor"* C. Franck

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"* #272

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Holy God, we are grateful for the patience you show us, caught up as we are in an ignorance that we do not always recognize, and in complicity with evil that we do not readily face. We know that there are many occasions when –

we are foolish and impetuous, and yet you do not leave us,

we are rebellious and stubborn, and yet you do not leave us,

we are selfish and arrogant, and yet you do not leave us,

we are anxious and faithless, and yet you do not leave us.

we are indifferent and prayer-less, and yet you do not leave us.

Thank you, gracious God, that though we are often forced to compete with each other for many things in this world, it is never so with your inclusive, seeming love. Thank you for the saving grace of

Jesus who embraces us no matter what happens.
Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God's forgiveness is never withheld from any soul that turns toward God in repentant faith. Through Jesus Christ our Savior, we are included in the redeeming love of God today.

(P) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 28:10-19a

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 8:12-25

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Nearer My God to Thee"

#318

SERMON

"LIARS, CHEATS & SCHEMERS"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

DEDICATION OF OUR YOUTH AND LEADERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed by thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily

bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Musical Reflection

"Praise God "

E. Pepping

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***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Here in this place, the Lord, the God of Abraham and Isaac has stood beside us. Go now from here knowing that the Lord is with you and will keep you wherever you go.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN** *"Savior Again, To Thy Dear Name We Raise "* **#32**

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Allegro in A"

W.F. Bach

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "A Dream" L. Vierne

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Come We Who Love the Lord" #30

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God, you have created beautiful faces and lives all around us. Yet we forget about your beauty and do harm to each other. You have created amazing seas and animals and plants all around us. Yet we forget about your beauty and harm the creation you have given us. God, you have created people and nations and communities for good. Yet we forget about your goodness as we experience war and hunger and sickness in our world. Come Holy Spirit, and hide within us a yeast that will cause us to grow through the hearing of the word, so we may share the bread of life with those in need of hope. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Christ has died for us and lives to intercede for us. Therefore, if God is for us, who is against us? It is true – nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Behold, we are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Genesis 29:15-28

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Romans 8:26-39

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI "Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

*LAUS TIBI "Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN "O, Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go" #278

SERMON "NOT WHAT YOU EXPECT"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed by thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Musical Reflection *"Agincourt Hymn"* **J. Dunstable**

#551

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go forth as yeast of the Reign of God, so that hope may rise. Go forth as pesky mustard ministers, so that the yield of grace may spread. Go forth to live in faithfulness knowing that you are treasures of God's delight.

(All) Amen

***HYMN** *"I Sing the Praise of Love Unbounded"* **#17**

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Praise to the Lord"* **J.G. Walther**

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Let Us Break Bread Together" arr. DeCou

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** "O My Soul Bless God the Father" #83

***GREETING**

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

(All) Merciful God, in your grace you set a table of plenty in our midst, and invite us to find all that we need for an abundant life. As we approach your altar we confess that our selfishness prevents others from enjoying the rich life you offer. For all the rumbling stomachs which we ignore that long for a basic meal; for all the hearts we turn away from that are filled with grief; for all in search of justice to whom we turn a deaf ear, forgive us, O God. Help us to trust that in your all-sufficient love there is plenty for all. May we learn to extend our hands to others in return for what we have graciously received from you, until all are deeply satisfied. In Christ we pray. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) Our God is a God of gracious care, who provided manna in the desert and water from a rock; who through Jesus Christ, multiplied loaves and fish and transformed water

into wine. God answers the longings of our hearts and graciously provides us with all that we need. Receive the good news of forgiveness which God provides for us and live in peace.

(P) Praise be to God.

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE** #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

"He Touched Me"

Florence Gundlach

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 32:22-31

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORI TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 14:13-21

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"As We Gather at Your Table"

Insert

SERMON

"FED BY THE HAND OF GOD"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Nicene Creed P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Musical Reflection

"Antiphon"

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

***SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Here you have met God face to face. Go now, empowered to share abundantly of the many gifts you have been given, to proclaim the blessings you have received, and to show others the face of God. And may the love of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – go with you.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN**

“Standing on the Promises”

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

“Fanfare”

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Children of the Heavenly Father" arr. Hustad

INTROIT "Come Worship the Lord"

Mary Strassner

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "From All that Dwell Below the Skies" #386

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of our lives, of our worship, and of our dreams, we come seeking sanctuary from conflict and grief in our personal and family life; for we confess that sometimes our vision becomes focused on ourselves.

(silent reflection)

(L) We come seeking hope in the midst of hard feelings and arguments in our community.

(All) We confess sometimes we respond to new visions with fear and we try to block them, even injuring those who share them.

(silent reflection)

(L) We come seeking a dream of true peace in the midst of war, religious tensions, and suffering.

(All) We confess that sometimes we keep dreams locked in our heads and focus on our grief for what is lost to us. Merciful God, return us to you. Forgive us all

our faults and fears that our faith might be renewed in the living Christ in whose joyous presence we live. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Hear the good news: If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead you will be saved. For no one who believes in him will be put to shame, whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

MUSICAL RESPONSE

"Be Not Afraid"

Insert

SECOND READING

Romans 10:5-15

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

MUSICAL RESPONSE

"Alleluia"

Insert

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 14:22-33

*MUSICAL RESPONSE

"Sing Hallelujah"

Insert

SERMON

"FAITH AND DOUBT"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Musical Reflection

"The Lord is My Shepherd"

Mary Strassner and Dolores Canoles

***Doxology**

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Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go forth boldly, carrying God's dream of love into a world that will reject it. And in the dim, as well as the bright times, may you experience God's strength and presence continually.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"I Am The Bread of Life"

Insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Postlude"

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Hail Star of the Sea" J. Titelouze

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" #324

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of mercy, you are the Giver and Redeemer of all life. We confess the ways we have harmed your creation with words and behaviors that injure. We have harmed our families, friends and neighbors through selfish actions. We have fostered division in our society between gender, race, class and religion. We support the wars of weapons, words and ideas between nations which take lives and steal hopes.

(silent reflection)

(L) Turn your face toward us, O God.

(All) And pour out your cleansing Spirit, that we might see people as you did and be with them unconditionally as you were. In Christ's name we pray. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) The gifts and calling of God cannot be taken away. God uses our failing and our turning away to open us in mercy

to others. In all things God works for good. We are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
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World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Genesis 45:1-15

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI "Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 15: 21-28

*LAUS TIBI "Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN "Rock of Ages" #217

SERMON "CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Musical Reflection

"Adagio"

S. Sigfusson

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***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) The peace of the Creator who hears the cries of mercy be upon you. The peace of the Christ who receives the challenges of the vulnerable be upon you. The peace of the Spirit who brings new life out of death be upon you.

(P) And also upon you.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN**

"In Christ There is No East or West"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Postlude"

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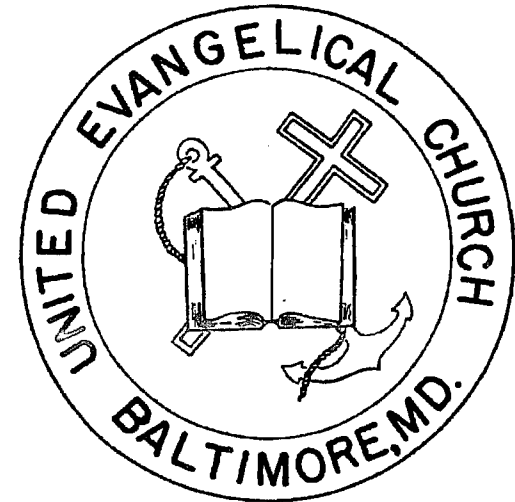
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Aug. 24, 2008 15th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Adagio from Sonata for Organ" Powell

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" #80

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Merciful God, you have graced our lives with the life of Jesus. In him, our lives, our minds and our hearts are transformed and renewed so that we may discern your will and all that is good and acceptable and perfect. We confess, however, that there are times when our actions and our words seem to be conformed more to the values of this age than to doing your will.

(silent reflection)

(L) Forgive us when we believe that our faith experience is superior to the way others have come to faith

(P) And so fail to recognize and share the humility that life in Christ possesses.

(L) Forgive us when relationships are so shaped by bitterness and jealousy;

(P) That we fail to recognize and share the joy that life in Christ reveals.

(L) Forgive us when we exclude people from our fellowship through our prejudice and discrimination;

(P) And so fail to recognize and share the love that life in Christ imparts.

(L) Forgive us when selfishness and greed so corrode our lifestyles

(P) That we fail to recognize and share the generosity that life in Christ delights in.

(L) Merciful God, so transform us with the life of Christ and renew us in his image that the grace, humility and compassion which marked his life will be clearly visible in and experienced through our lives;

(All) So that we who are one body in Christ may delight in sharing the gifts you graciously give us, for both the building up of this community of faith, and the communities in which we live and work and play. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God has named us "Beloved," "Forgiven," and "Chosen." God does not take those names away. We belong to God's loving purposes, forever freed from sin for service in Christ.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

"You Are My All in All"

Claire Hovermill

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 1:8-2-10

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 12:1-8

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI "Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"
 *GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 16:13-20
 *LAUS TIBI "Praise be to Thee, O Christ"
 *HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be" #253
 SERMON "AND WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal
 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
 THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering
 Musical Reflection "Tiento from Suite Medievale" Langlais
 *Doxology #551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God, all creatures here below;
 Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go from here to bear witness to the Lordship of Christ in your lives. And may the strength of God's presence carry you.

(All) Amen

*HYMN "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" #324

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE "Praludium No. 2 in G Minor" Tunder

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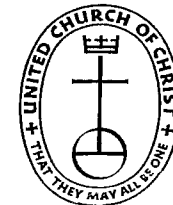
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Aug. 31, 2008 16th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Adagio" Mendelssohn

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "America the Beautiful" #443

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Merciful God, we have lots of our own ideas and wisdom about how to serve you. Yet we also want to fall in line behind your lead. We confess all the times we have tried to run away from something that was your desire for us, O God. We confess the times that we've made excuses, or thought someone else should do it. We seek to turn toward your desire for us – to love in the way you love, to listen for your direction. Remove the barriers to our seeing and hearing, that your word might be passed on in our living. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God knows we will ask again and again for forgiveness. God is ready each time to welcome us back to our true, created selves. Our sin is forgiven. Rejoice in God's freeing presence.

(P) Praise be to God

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "God Will Take Care of You"

Lois Duvall

10:30 a.m. "Whatever It Takes"

Diane Borkman

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 3:1-15

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 12:9-21

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 16:21-28

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Before the Cross of Jesus"

#261

SERMON

"TAKE UP YOUR CROSS"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P.38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the

kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.

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Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"Berceuse"*

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***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good. Rejoice in hope and persevere in prayer. And may the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another.

(All) Amen

***HYMN** *"O Jesus, I Have Promised"* #271

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE *"Prelude in F Minor"* Bach

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Sept. 07, 2008 17th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Love Divine" arr. Innes

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory" #287

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Merciful and gracious God, through our baptism you have clothed us with your Son, Jesus Christ. We are filled with a sense of wonder and joy that you care for us so deeply. Sadly, we confess that there are times when our words and actions deny the existence of your love stitched deep within the fabric of our lives.

(silent reflection)

(L) When our behavior is patterned more on the values of the world than the values of Jesus,

(All) Forgive us, and weave your Spirit anew within us.

(L) When we clothe ourselves with habits which reflect our own selfish desires rather than the selfless nature of Jesus,

(All) Forgive us, and weave your Spirit anew within us.

(L) When the lives of neighbors are unraveling because of poverty, broken relationships, substance abuse, discrimination, and we fail to love them as Jesus loves us,

(All) Forgive us, and weave your Spirit anew within us. Merciful God, take the frayed strands of our lives and weave them into something beautiful. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Sing to God a new song for God takes pleasure in offering forgiveness, hope and a way when it seems there is no way. Go forward to live in God's freeing presence.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Count Your Blessings"
Lois Duvall

10:30 a.m. "Faith Unlocks the Door"
Florence Gundlach

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Exodus 12:1-14

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Romans 13:8-14

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORI TIBI "Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 18:15-20

*LAUS TIBI "Praise be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" Insert

SERMON "IN THE MOMENT"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed P.24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"When I See the Blood"

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***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) You are a sign of God's freedom. Go now in the Spirit of God to create a holy place wherever you go. And may the goodness of God be found with you on earth as in heaven.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"Go My Children With My Blessing"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Praludium No. 2 in G Minor"

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Prelude on Rhosymedre" R. Vaughan-Williams

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #21

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of mercy, God of grace, we acknowledge that yours is a love which freely gives without any strings attached – an unconditional love. Jesus tells us that those who wish to be his disciples are to place no limits, no conditions on their mercy or their love – forgiveness without limits. When we refuse to forgive those in our debt, we hinder the gift of your grace and forgiveness from entering our own lives. God of mercy, God of grace, we confess that we forget to love and serve you as we ought, as people made in your image and likeness. Touch our hardened hearts with your goodness, we pray, and remind us that forgiveness is one of the most precious gifts that we can offer one another. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God's mercy as well as God's power are true. God will grant us courage, mercy, and a constant presence in the

midst of our shortcomings. Believe in the good news: We are forgiven and renewed to live fully in God's ways.

(P) Praise be to God

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 14:19-31

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

MUSICAL RESPONSE

"El Shaddai"

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SECOND READING

Romans 14:1-12

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

MUSICAL RESPONSE

"He Is Lord"

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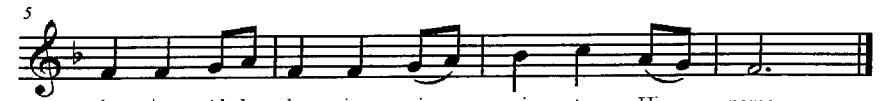
*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 18:21-35

*MUSICAL RESPONSE



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Living The Life

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Promotion Certificates

YOUTH MESSAGE

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "O Lord, Hear My Cry" J.G. Walther

*Doxology #551

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

(L) Step out in celebration to honor the Creator, the Christ and the Spirit. May the powerful presence of God move before you and behind you in all the joys and struggles of your daily life.

(All) Amen

*HYMN "Lord Speak To Me" #256

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

†(Please be seated while the candles are extinguished, pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

POSTLUDE "Postlude" W. Mathias

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Adagio from Sonata for Organ" Powell

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "God of Our Fathers" #440

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of compassion, we confess that when we get afraid of what lies ahead, we want to go back to the old ways instead of seeking your new way with us. We admit that when we don't see the signs of hope we expect, we complain, and we blame each other. We acknowledge that when do have enough, we want even more and, by wanting more, often others have less than enough. We recognize that when we work so hard to get something, we forget your goodness and think our lives are what we've done, have or achieve.

(silent reflection)

(L) Holy Giver, forgive us and open us to you.

(All) Open our eyes to see beyond our own needs, and unclench our hands to share what we have with those in need. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Our God is gracious and merciful; slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Trust in God's forgiveness and power to transform our regret to mercy.

(P) Praise be to God

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Worthy, You Are Worthy"

Pam Georgiadis and Chuck Rohlfling

10:30 a.m. "Bow the Knee"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 16:2-15

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:21-30

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, give thanks to the ris - en Lord, Al - le -



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*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 20:1-16

*HYMN

"Jesus I Live To Thee"

#254

SERMON

"FAITH FOR TODAY"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (8:00)

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*REDEDICATION LITANY

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Musical Reflection

"Tiento"

Langlais

*Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) We have been fed by the stories of faith.

(P) We turn our faces into the uncertain places so we may know God.

(L) We have been sustained in the rituals of community.

(P) We turn our lives back to the God of plenty.

(L) May the God of bread and justice accompany us and may the Spirit surround us with hope as we walk the way of Christ.

(All) Amen.

*HYMN

"God of Years, Thy Love Hath Led Us"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Come Labor On"

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Air from Suite in D" Bach

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #184

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of desert days and wilderness nights, the sustaining power of your love has provided us with all that we need to live abundantly and to serve you with abandon. Yet we confess that when we stand between what has been and what is yet to be we hesitate; listening to the voices filled with discouragement, fears, insecurities and complaints rather than listen to your voice calling us forward. As a wandering people, we ask for mercy. Make us mindful of your sustaining presence that we might have the faith to rise above the challenges of this moment. In Christ we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) With fire and cloud God leads us out of the bondage of our past into a future of freedom and safety. God has been with us in the past, is with us in this present moment, and will be with us forever and ever.

(P) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Count Your Many Blessings"

Lois Duvall

10:30 a.m. "Blessed Be Your Name"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 17:1-7

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:1-13

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

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*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 21:23-32

*HYMN

"Deep in the Shadows of the Past"

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SERMON

"THE WORD BECOMES FLESH"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Musical Reflection

"Tiento"

Langlais

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***Doxology**

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Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Here God has watered our desert souls; answered the longings we have cried out; drew us near to bring us comfort and peace. So leave now with the assurance of God's presence always with you, in and around you, the sturdy rock upon which you stand.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"Sing Them Over Again to Me"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Postlude on Cwn Rhondda"

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October 5th, 2008 21th Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "O Lamb of God Most Holy" Karg-Elert

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "The Church's One Foundation" #322

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Jesus prayed that we might all be one – one in Spirit; one in mission; in union and communion with each other and with you, O God. Today we confess fumbblings and failures in accomplishing unity, as we set aside yet another day to remind ourselves of the task. On the World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your reflection in the eyes of people everywhere. Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences. Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere. We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all! Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Beloved, forget the past and set your eye on the future, for God has forgiven our past and provided for us righteousness through faith in Christ Jesus, the prize of our heavenly call.

(P) Praise be to God

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Be Unto Your Name"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 1:1-2:4

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, give thanks to the ris-en Lord, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, give praise to His name.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 8:24-30

*HYMN

"One Bread, One Body"

Insert

SERMON

Fr. Elias Mallon

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed P. 24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"One Bread, One Body"

Foley

***Doxology**

#551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

- (L) Go out from this table, from this place of peace, to serve a hurting world.
- (P) **We go, knowing that the God of peace will be with us**
- (L) Go where there is disunity among Christians, and bring God's reconciliation.
- (P) **We go, knowing that the God of peace will be with us**
- (L) Go where there is injustice and brokenness, to bring God's way of peace
- (P) **We go, knowing that the God of peace will be with us**
- (All) **Amen**

***HYMN**

"We Come to This Table"

Insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

†(Please be seated while the candles are extinguished, pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

POSTLUDE

"Christ the Lamb of God"

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Oct 12, 2008 22nd Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *Jesu, Meines Herzens Freud* Bach

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken"* #323

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of mighty deeds and gentle mercies, we gather to give you praise this day. We join with all of creation in uttering our small words of thanks for your steadfast love which endures forever. We confess, O God, that instead of thinking about the things that are true and honorable, there are times when we turn our thoughts to the latest new scandal or juicy gossip. Instead of thinking about the things that are just and pure, there are times when we think about the shortcuts we can take to get ahead, as well as the shortcoming of others. Instead of thinking about the things that are pleasing and commendable there are times when we rehearse negativity, criticisms and grudges. Forgive us, O God, and fill us with the desire to think with the same mind that was in Jesus, for only then can we be people of hope. In Christ's name we pray. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Through the eyes of grace, God sees us and calls us beloved. With this assurance in our hearts we can live as God's praiseworthy and forgiven people.

(P) Praise be to God

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Alabaster Box"

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m.

"Jesus Lover of My Soul"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 32:1-14

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:1-9

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

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*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 22:1-14

*HYMN

"Now Thank We All Our God"

#72

SERMON

TO THE CHURCH IN CANTON

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P. 38 Hymnal
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

*'Nun Freut Euch,
Lieben Christen, G' mein"*

Bach

***Doxology**

#551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. And may the God of peace be with you.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott Lasst Walten"

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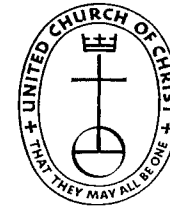
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Oct 19, 2008 23rd Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "He Hideth My Soul" arr. Johnson

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Holy, Holy, Holy" #1

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Gracious and loving God, you choose us to be imitators of your gracious and loving ways. We confess that even with the knowledge that we have been loved so much, we have not yet learned to love as Jesus did.

(silent reflection)

(L) Forgive us, O God.

(All) Just and merciful God, you choose us to be imitators of your just and merciful ways. We confess that even with the knowledge that we have been forgiven so much we have not yet learned to forgive as Jesus did.

(silent reflection)

(L) Forgive us, O God.

(All) Welcoming God of hospitality, you choose us to be imitators of your welcoming and hospitable ways. We confess that even with the knowledge that we have been cared for so compassionately we have not yet learned to care as Jesus did.

(silent reflection)

(L) Forgive us, O God.

(All) We pray that the qualities which so marked Jesus' life be impressed on our lives and our witness that we not only imitate his life, we live it. This we pray in his name. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Despite our imperfections, despite our failures, God does not forget us. God continues to call each one of us by name. We are forgiven.

(P) Let us live now as imitators of Jesus Christ and as servants of the living God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "I Could Sing of Your Love Forever"

Claire Hovermill

10:30 a.m. "Lord, Reign in Me"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Exodus 33:12-23

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

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*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew. 22:34-46

*HYMN "More Precious than Silver" Insert

SERMON GOD'S COINS

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P. 38 Hymnal
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Musical Reflection "More Precious than Silver" arr. Letherman

*Doxology #551

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

*Prayer of Dedication

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

(L) Go boldly into the world with God's good news, for you are the living message. And may the love of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit go with you.

(All) Amen.

*HYMN "We Are Not Our Own" Insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE "Fanfare" Bach

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Oct 26, 2008 24th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" arr. Johnson

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" #63

***GREETING**

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

silent reflection

(L) God, when we stand at the edge of brokenness and allow our questions of faith to distance ourselves from you and others...

(P) Forgive us and free us to put you first in our lives.

(L) When the ways we live church limit our ability to offer compassion...

(P) Forgive us and free us to put you first in our lives

(L) When we try to be holy without changing the way we are with others...

(P) Forgive us and free us to put you first in our lives

(All) Merciful God, strengthen us with your Spirit to love you with all our heart, soul and mind and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. Help us to know the peace of your forgiving love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) Our God is filled with compassion, steadfast in love, and longing to forgive. Receive the power of God's compassion and know the peace of God's forgiving love.

(P) In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, praise be to God!

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE** #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Praise His Name"

Diane Borkman

10:30 a.m.

"Praise His Name"

The Choir with Diane Borkman

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

5 Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, give thanks to the ris-en Lord, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, give praise to His name.

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 22:34-46

***HYMN**

"More Love to Thee"

#471

SERMON

FROM EVERLASTING TO EVERLASTING

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:00)** Apostles' Creed P. 38 Hymnal

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:30)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on

earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"Interlude"

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***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Carry with you from this place joy, carry with you – presence, carry with you – community. And may the favor of the Lord our God be upon you.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

#299

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Prelude on Ave Verum" Mozart

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts" #335

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) O God of mercy and compassion, as we look inward at ourselves, and outward at the world around us, we recognize that we participate in the same behaviors for which Jesus condemned the leaders of his time. We confess that we place unwarranted burdens on others; we are guilty of demanding preferential treatment; we abuse positions of leadership. Forgive our participation in practices which inflate our egos at the expense of others. Forgive us when we care more about impressive outward appearances rather than inner dispositions shaped by tolerance and love. Forgive us for any behavior which is experienced or perceived as hypocritical - any actions which lack integrity and justice.

silent reflection

(L) Jesus, you emptied yourself of power so that you could be the servant and Savior of all.

(All) Renew and refresh us with your gentle and selfless Spirit, Lord, so that we know what it is to be your owers not only in name, but in reality. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Friends in Christ, God offers new hope for our journey for God works joyfully to lift the burdens that hurt. God works always to forgive us our sins. Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "I Believe in a Hill Called Mt. Calvary"

Florence Gundlach

10:30 a.m.

"How Beautiful"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Joshua 3:7-17

(L) The Word of the Lord

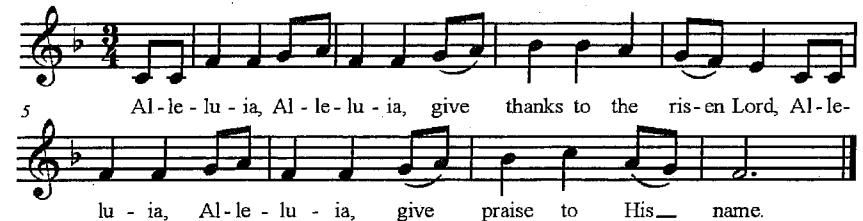
(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God



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*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 23:1-12

*HYMN

"Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant"

Insert

SERMON

LEADERSHIP

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed P. Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH.

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Musical Reflection *"Thy Table I Approach"* Kretchzmar

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***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) In the Spirit of Christ we are sent out in service as partners with our community and world, to untie burdens; to lift off the yoke of oppression and sadness; to put on the yoke of love. Now may the power, the love and the name of Christ go with you.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN**

"He Leadeth Me"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"In Peace and Joy I Now Depart"

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Adagio" Powell

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Fairest Lord Jesus" #182

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Gracious God, you have deposited your Holy Spirit into our hearts, showing us how deeply we are loved. We admit, Loving One, that we sometimes snuff out your holy light in ourselves and others. When we let negative thoughts and old stories overtake us, show us the light of love. When we let criticism and doubt overtake our communities, show us the light of hope. When we let impatience and aggravation overtake wisdom, show us the light of your word. When we worship ourselves and our own ideas, show us the light of your powerful reign that we might leave the mark of your holy light on our world. In Christ Jesus we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God will not delay giving help to all those who call. In Christ Jesus, we have been renewed in the glory of the resurrection. Believe the good news: our sin is forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"One Day at a Time"

Darlene Waters

10:30 a.m.

"The Family Prayer Song"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Joshua 24:1-3a

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

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*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25:1-13

*HYMN

"Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

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SERMON

THE IMPORTANCE OF OIL

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:00) Apostles' Creed P. 38 Hymnal

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:30)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"Dedication"

Dressler

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***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go forth into this day with an active longing for inspiration, for clarity of purpose and for new gifts from the Spirit. And may the light of God, the affirming love of Jesus Christ, and the ever-renewing power of the Holy Spirit accompany you.

(All) Amen.

***HYMN**

"When the Roll is Called Up Yonder"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Prelude in F Minor"

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OUR MISSION

We seek to continue Jesus' mission
Of reaching out Embracing everyone Enriching all
Becoming living examples Bonding all with the love of God
Nov 16, 2008 27th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "I Will Lift Up My Eyes" Schreiner

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Ye Servants of God" #11

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Merciful Creator, we joyfully receive the abundant gifts you so lavishly give. Yet we confess our strong urge to play it safe with the gifts you give us. We feel we don't have enough time for everything, so we push aside the things we most want to do and neglect the tasks that are most important. As the church, we hold tightly to the gifts you give us, afraid we will lose them. We remain silent and cautious, even when we witness wrong-doing or injustice. Help us to trust your ways, O God that we might be eager to share the spiritual treasure that we have, knowing that as we do, much more will be given. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God has destined us not for wrath but rather for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us. Therefore be encouraged in the knowledge that in Jesus Christ we are enriched, we are loved, we are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE #492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Bow The Knee"

The Choir

10:30 a.m.

"For Those Tears I Died"

Florence Gundlach and Lynn Sanders

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Judges 4:1-7

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, give thanks to the ris-en Lord, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, give praise to His name.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25:14-30

*HYMN

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

#85

SERMON

THE TALENTS OF GOD

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P. 38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"Lord Have Mercy"

Bach

#551

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go from this place to enter into the joy of our God.
And may the peace of God make you whole.

(All) Amen

***HYMN**

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

POSTLUDE

"Rondo in G"

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November 23, 2008 Reign of Christ 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Sheep May Safely Grace"* Bach

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Jesus Shall Reign"* #371

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) O God, we gather as a flock of your people confident in the knowledge that you made us, you love us, and you guide us forward. We admit our guilt of paying attention to the wrong things, of putting our own comfort first, of fixing our eyes on priorities of our own making, of failing to see beyond the walls of the church. Forgive us O God when we have failed to look for Jesus in the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and the imprisoned. Forgive us the times we have failed to touch people's lives with acts of loving and caring, justice and mercy. Help us to see your presence in one another that we may be ready to serve you with great joy. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Like sheep, we had gone astray, but by the loving power of God we have been returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of our souls. Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ we are sought, we are found, we are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

#492

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Lord, Reign In Me"

Pam Georgiadis and Chuck Rohlfling

10:30 a.m.

"On Eagles' Wings"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, give thanks to the ris-en Lord, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, give praise to His name.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25:31-46

*HYMN

"God is My Shepherd"

Insert

SERMON

EYES OF THE HEART

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

TOTENFEST REMEMBRANCE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed P. 38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Musical Reflection

"Lord Have Mercy"

Bach

#551

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go forth and be the hands that heal and the ears that listen with patience.

(P) **We are your people, O God.**

(L) Be the feet that stand with the oppressed and the mouth that speaks truth.

(P) **We are your people, O God.**

(L) Be the eyes that see the holy in all people and the heart that is full of life.

(P) **We are your people, O God.**

(L) Go now in peace and may the Spirit of Christ reign in your hearts.

(All) **Amen.**

***HYMN**

"For All the Saints"

#418

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Postlude on For All the Saints"

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NOV. 30, 2008 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Of the Father's Love Begotten" **Held**

*LITANY FOR ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

- (L) We are waiting for the coming of Christ.
(P) There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the earth!
(L) This is the Christ who has been promised to us.
(P) People will tremble for the powers of Heaven will be shaken
(L) Yet we know that redemption is drawing near.
(P) So we wait with eager hearts and willing spirits.
(L) We light this candle as we eagerly await the coming of Christ.

(The purple candle of hope is lit.)

- (L) Let us pray.
(All) Loving God, we are waiting for your redemptive power. Already we see your promises revealed in us. Create in our waiting, moments of hope, as we long for the Advent of our Savior. Open our eyes to discover the ways you are among us even now in this Holy season. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" **#88**

*GREETING

- (L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

- (All) Patient God, forgive us for living as if you are not present in our lives. We have squandered our

money and time on things and goals that are self – fulfilling. Forgive us and renew in us a spirit of waiting so we may hear you speaking to us. Ignite your hope within us so we may be hope in the world. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- (L) Rejoice, my friends. The good news is that God forgives us.
(P) Let us live in the hope of Christ.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE **Insert**

Out of the shadows of fear and into the light we come. God gives us hope for the journey. God brings us peace today.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Watcher, Tell Us of the Night"

Lois Duvall

10:30 a.m. "Change My Heart, O God"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 64:1-9

- (L) The Word of the Lord
(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

- (L) The Word of the Lord
(P) Thanks be to God

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in God I trust, in God I trust.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 13:24-37

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in God I trust, in God I trust.

***HYMN** "All Earth is Waiting" **Insert**

SERMON "EVEN AS WE SPEAK"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed **P. 38 Hymnal**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *"Choral Fantasia
on Veni Emmanuel"*

Macnutt

***Doxology**

Greensleeves

*So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, Come peasant, king, to own him;
The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him.
This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

- (L) Into the shadows of the world,
(P) **With the light of God, we go.**
(L) Into the fear of the world,
(P) **With the assurance of God, we go.**
(L) Into the chaos of the world,
(P) **With the calm of God, we go.**
(L) Into the despair of the world,
(P) **With the hope of God, we go.**
(L) And may the Child of peace surround us, the Spirit of
Truth guide us, and the God of Life call us,
(P) **Into the light now and always.**
(All) **Amen.**

***HYMN**

"Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers"

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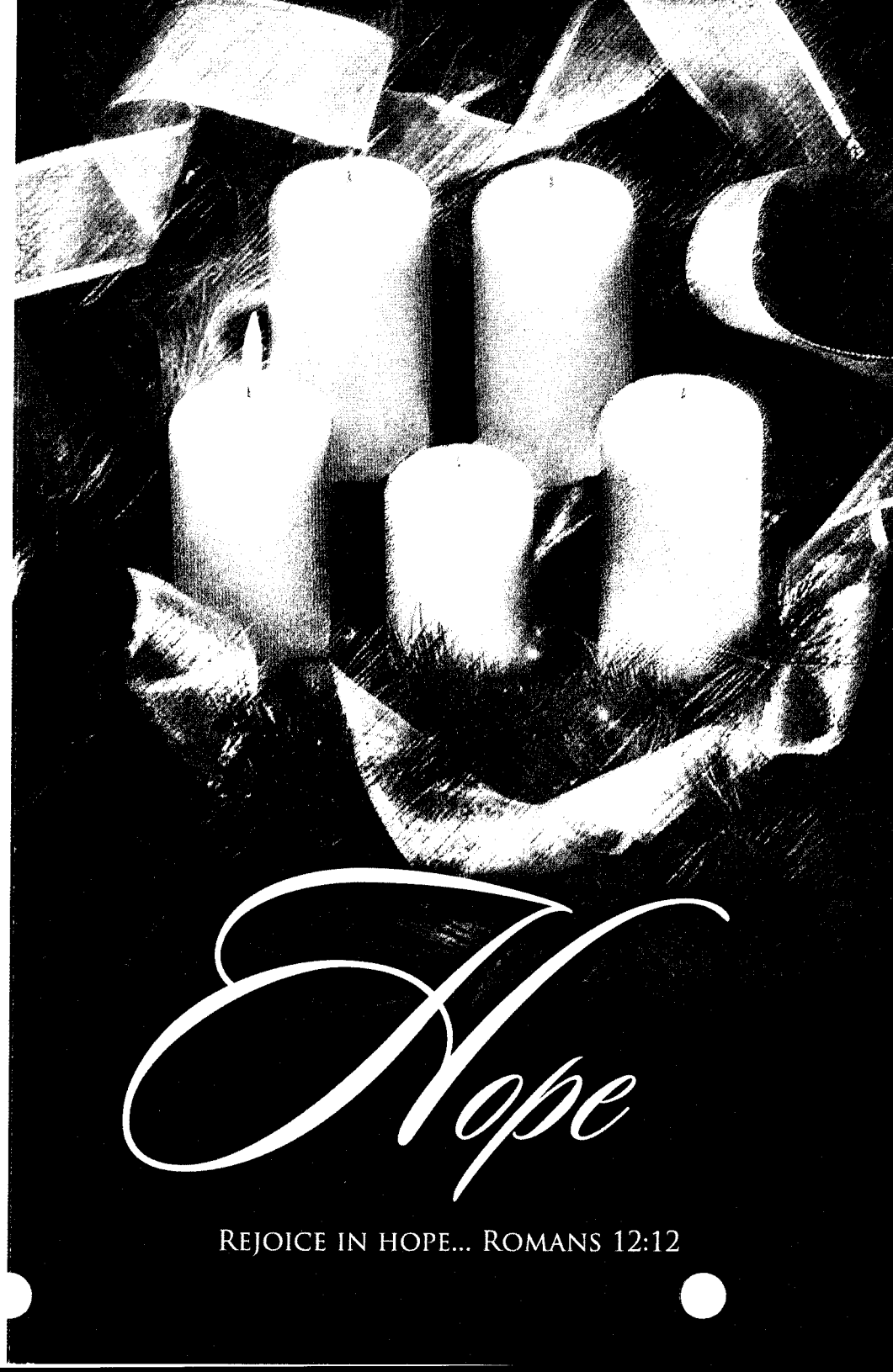
CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE

"Now Come, O Gentiles Savior"

Bach



REJOICE IN HOPE... ROMANS 12:12

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DEC. 7, 2008 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Comfort Ye, My People" Handel

*LITANY FOR ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

(L) Prepare the way of the Lord, make His path straight!

(P) In our waiting we will prepare our hearts for the coming savior.

(L) This good news is for all the world!

(P) God's people will be comforted - God feeds his flock like a shepherd.

(L) Our waiting cannot leave us sitting silently.

(P) A voice cries out - Prepare the way of the Lord!

(L) We will prepare the way of the Lord! We light this candle to testify to God's good work in our lives. Every valley shall be lifted up.

(P) The glory of the Lord shall be revealed!

(The purple candles of hope and peace are lit.)

(L) Let us pray.

(All) Loving God, stir in us the courage to tell the good news of the coming Savior. Create in us a willingness to prepare the way for hearts to receive your love. Fill our preparations with your loving presence. Let us imagine new ways to love the flock you have gathered. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** "Of the Father's Love Begotten" #13

*GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Merciful God, we have been busy preparing but we have missed the mark. We have concentrated on our own worldly needs instead of seeking your light. We have neglected to share the good news with our neighbors. Forgive us and renew in us a spirit of Holy preparation. In Christ we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Rejoice, my friends - God forgives us. We can prepare the way for Christ because the love of God lives in us now.

(P) Alleluia!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE Insert

Out of the shadows of fear and into the light we come. God gives us hope for the journey. God brings us peace today.

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Emmanuel"

Diane Borkman

10:30 a.m.

"Prepare Ye the Way"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:1-11

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

2 Peter 3:8-15a

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in God I trust, in God I trust.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:1-8

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in God I trust, in God I trust.

*HYMN

"Let All Mortal Flesh"

#336

SERMON "THE PURPLE IN THE RED AND GREEN"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed P. 24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "From Heaven Above" Held

*Doxology Greensleeves

*So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, Come peasant, king, to own him;
The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him.*

*This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.*

*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

- (L) We go in the boldness of God,
(P) To bless the world with justice;
(L) We go in the reign of peace,
(P) To bless the world with peace;
(L) We go in the intent of God,
(P) To bless the world with promise;
(L) We go in the longing of God,
(P) To bless the world with hope;
(L) We go in the love of God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
(All) To bless the world with good news. Amen.

*HYMN "There's a Voice in the Wilderness" #94

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

†(Please be seated while the candles are extinguished,
pausing for a moment of silent communion with God.)

POSTLUDE "Gottes Sohn ist Kommen" Bach



Peace

HE WILL PROCLAIM PEACE TO THE NATIONS.
ZECHARIAH 9:10

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DEC. 14, 2008 **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** **10:30 a.m.**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"A Lovely Rose Breaks into Bloom"* Brahams

*LITANY FOR ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

- (L) John proclaims, "There is one who is greater than I."
(P) **We are eager to greet this coming Messiah. What shall we do to be ready to meet him?**
(L) We must first prepare our hearts and make room for the love that is to come.
(P) **Through repentance and loving each other we ready our lives for Christ.**
(L) The One coming will turn the world upside down. A new kingdom is approaching.
(P) **We will begin to be a people of peace as we await the coming of Christ.**
(L) How shall we recognize the One who is to bring peace to all the world?
(P) **You will know Him, for He is greater than any of us. Where love reigns you will find Him.**
(L) We light this candle as we pray for courage to examine our lives. God is beginning a new work in us and we are getting ready.
(The purple candles of hope and peace and the pink candle of joy are lit.)
(L) Let us pray.
(All) **Faithful God, create in us a patient waiting that gives us time to look deeply into our lives. Nurture us as we listen to the things you will reveal to us - even when there are words we would rather not hear. Show us how to love more faithfully as you wake us up to new possibilities of discipleship. Fill our waiting with praise and prayer, singing and**

lament. Give us strength to do the hard work of Advent. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"* #89

*GREETING

- (L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
(P) **And also with you.**

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

- (All) **Merciful God, forgive us when we prefer to mask our sins in the wrappings of doing good for the sake of the season. Move us to generosity of spirit - full of patience and forgiveness to others. Enable us to see people as brothers and sisters. In your mercy, we pray. Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- (L) Rejoice, my friends - God has heard our cries and answers everyone. God gives peace to our troubled heart.
(P) **Alleluia!**

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE Insert

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WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S TIME

MUSICAL OFFERING *"Deck The Halls"*
 "Away in a Manger"
 "We've Got a Message"
 The Children's Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

- (L) The Word of the Lord
(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in God I trust, in God I trust.

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 1:39-56

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in God I trust, in God I trust.

***HYMN**

"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"

#107

SERMON

**YOU'RE NEVER TOO OLD
YOU'RE NEVER TOO YOUNG**

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

"Will We Know Him"

The Choir

***Doxology**

Greensleeves

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, Come peasant, king, to own him;

The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him.

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:

Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go forth from here to rejoice always; to pray without ceasing; to give thanks in all circumstances; and to hold fast to what is good. May the God of peace sanctify you entirely that you may be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(P) Amen.

***HYMN**

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

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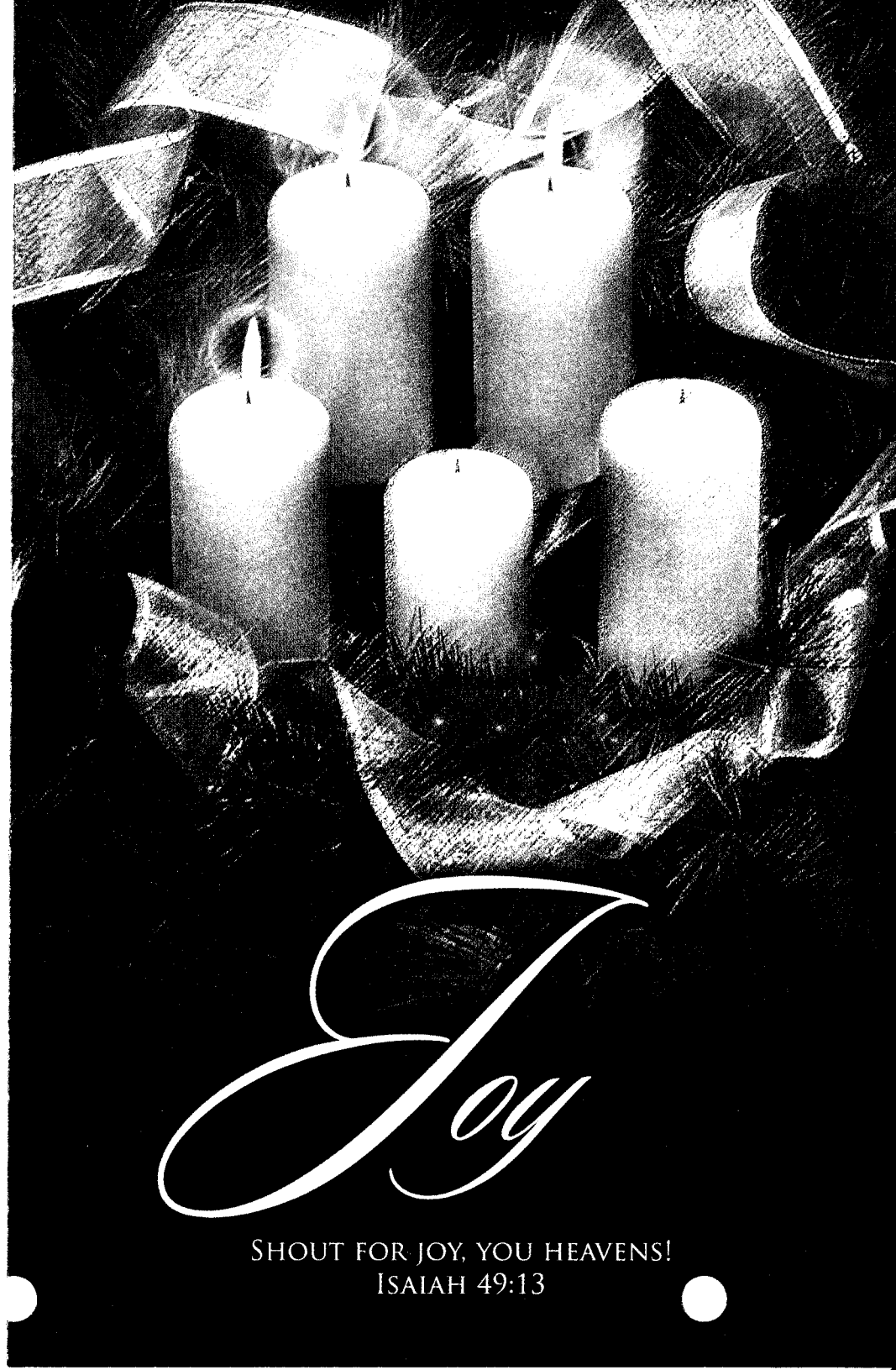
CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUT

"From Heaven Above I Hither Come"

Bach



**SHOUT FOR JOY, YOU HEAVENS!
ISAIAH 49:13**

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DEC. 21, 2008 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "What Is This Lovely Fragrance" Lovelace

***LITANY FOR ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING**

- (L) Mary's obedience fills us with hope and joy this day.
(P) **Our waiting is filled with excited anticipation. We are ready to hear God speak to us.**
(L) A servant of God is speaking to us today. She has accepted God's call to her.
(P) **The Spirit of God is upon her and the Most High will overshadow her.**
(L) A new kingdom order is almost here. A Holy Child will be born-He will be called the Son of God.
(P) **We see God at work in our waiting. We have prepared our lives for the coming of the Messiah.**
(L) We light this candle with joy in knowing the Savior is coming!

(The candles of hope, peace, joy and love are lit.)

- (L) Let us pray.
(All) **Amazing God, our hearts are filled with anticipation as we share in Mary's joy. Stir us to obedience, that like Mary, we will share this joy with our neighbors. Enable us to be servants so your redeeming love is evident to all. Grant us calmness and peace in this season of Advent, so we may reflect your peace to the world. Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN** "O How Shall I Receive Thee" #100

***GREETING**

- (L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
(P) **And also with you.**

WE COME BEFORE A FORGIVING GOD

***TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY**

- (All) **God of reversals, forgive us when we seek recognition and advantage at the cost of our brothers and sisters. Forgive us our neglect as we spend time and money on things instead of feeding the hungry. Nudge us to be generous with our love. Amen.**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

- (L) Rejoice, my friends. God has forgiven us. God promises that the lowly will be lifted up and the hungry will be filled with good things.
(P) **Alleluia!**

***OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE** Insert

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WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Prepare Ye the Way"

The Choir

10:30 a.m.

"Emmanuel"

Diane Borkman

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

- (L) The Word of the Lord
(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

Romans 16:25-27

- (L) The Word of the Lord
(P) **Thanks be to God**

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***GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 1:26-38

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in God I trust, in God I trust.

***HYMN** "My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness" **Insert**

SERMON "DEFINING LOVE"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed **P. 38 Hymnal**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord" **Bach**

***Doxology** **Greensleeves**

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The King of kings salvation brings, Let loving hearts enthrone him.

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:

Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.

***Prayer of Dedication**

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go in hope, pregnant with the Spirit of God. Go in peace, to embrace God's way for the world. Go rejoicing for God's justice is revealed. Go in love, for God's love is for us and for all the world.

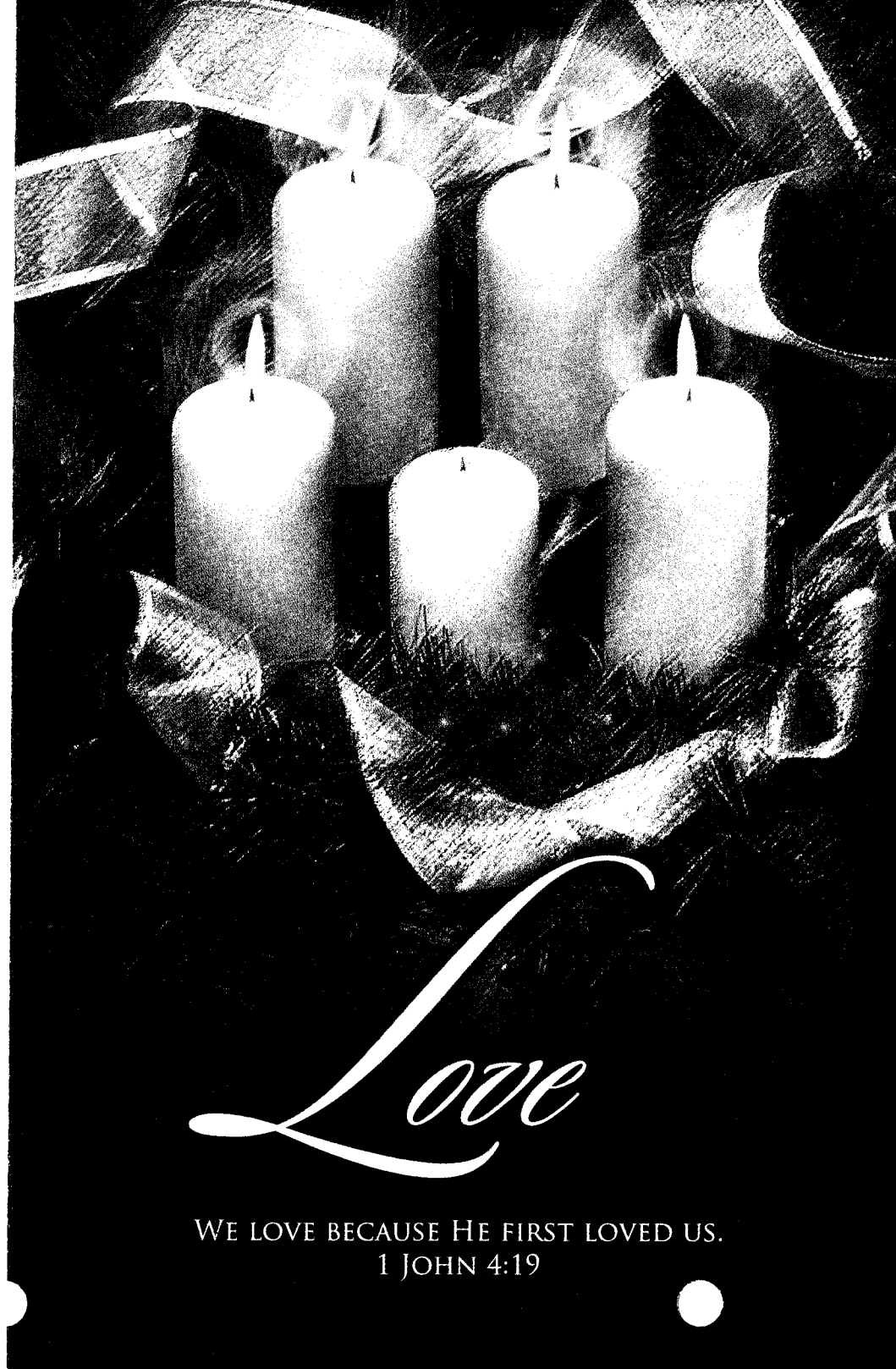
(All) Amen

***HYMN** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" **#108**

CLOSING OF WORSHIP†

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POSTLUDE "Vom Himmel hoch, Da Komm ich Her" **Bach**



**WE LOVE BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US.
1 JOHN 4:19**

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DECEMBER 24, 2008 CHRISTMAS EVE 7:30 P.M.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "What Child is This?" arr. Innes

INTROIT "This Is Our God" Chris Tomlin

*LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

(The candles of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love are lit)

(L) For weeks we have listened to the messages from ancient prophets. In their words we have caught glimpses of the light that is promised. Now, with the wreath all ablaze and all the candles of anticipation lit, there is still one last prophecy to hear.

(P) **With eyes wide open, ears attuned and hearts unguarded, we gather around the wreath one last time, longing to receive the Word within the words.**

(L) A reading from the Prophet Isaiah:
The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has shined.

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

(P) **This night these words are fulfilled in our hearing and in our living for the promise of God has come to us. Our lives are the manger in whom the Christ child is born. No longer do we seek light from another source; now the light burns in our hearts and we become love's lamp.**

(L) So, we light the candle at the center of our wreath and our faith. We light it in the name of the One who is the light, and, as Mary did so long ago, we name this light Jesus.

(The Christ candle is lit)

(The Christ Child is placed in the crèche.)

*OPENING HYMN

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

#112

*GREETING

(L) May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) **And also with you.**

*GATHERING PRAYER

(All) **God of surprising generosity and unexpected grace, we have come to witness a miracle; to prepare our hearts for a new invasion of your Light. We have come once again to open our souls and our lives to the divine birth. In this sacred moment we ask for your gentle Presence to captivate and challenge us. Chase from our hearts the darkness. Change us as we encounter your Glory, that we may carry your light into the world. For Jesus' sake. Amen.**

*DECLARATION OF GRACE (based on Psalm 98)

O sing to the Lord a new song, break forth into joyous song for the Lord has done marvelous things. By his right hand; by his holy arm, the Lord has revealed his power to save. The ends of the earth have seen the vindication of our God; he has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Iris

*Come to Bethlehem and see, Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come adore on bended knee, Christ the Lord, the new-born King
Gloria in Excelsis Deo
Gloria in Excelsis Deo*

*CHRISTMAS GREETING OF PEACE

(L) May the peace of Christ be always with you (P) **And also with you**

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Rose of Bethlehem"

The Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 52:7-10

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 1:1-4

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in God I trust, in God I trust.

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:1-14

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*HYMN

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

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Children's Christmas Pageant
"When Angels Tell the Story"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

CHRISTMAS PRAYER - LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Offertory

"O Holy Night"

**The Choir
Greensleeves**

***Doxology**

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***Prayer of Dedication**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

see insert

Tonight we will receive communion in procession. Ushers will invite you forward up the center aisle by rows. The darker liquid is wine, and the lighter liquid is grape juice. After you partake in communion, return to your seat by the side aisles.

WE GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***CELEBRATION OF THE LIGHT**

A prayer in the darkness

The coming of the Light into the world

***HYMN**

"Silent Night"

Silent night! holy night! All is calm, all is bright;
Round yon virgin mother and Child, Holy Infant so tender
and mild;

Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! holy night! Darkness flies, all is light;
Shepherds hear the angels sing; Alleluia! Hail the King!
Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night! holy night! Guiding Star, lend thy light!
See the eastern wise men bring, Gifts and homage to our King!
Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night! holy night! Wondrous Star, lend thy light!
With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King!
Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.

***BENEDICTION**

***RECESSIONAL HYMN**

"Joy to the World"

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POSTLUDE

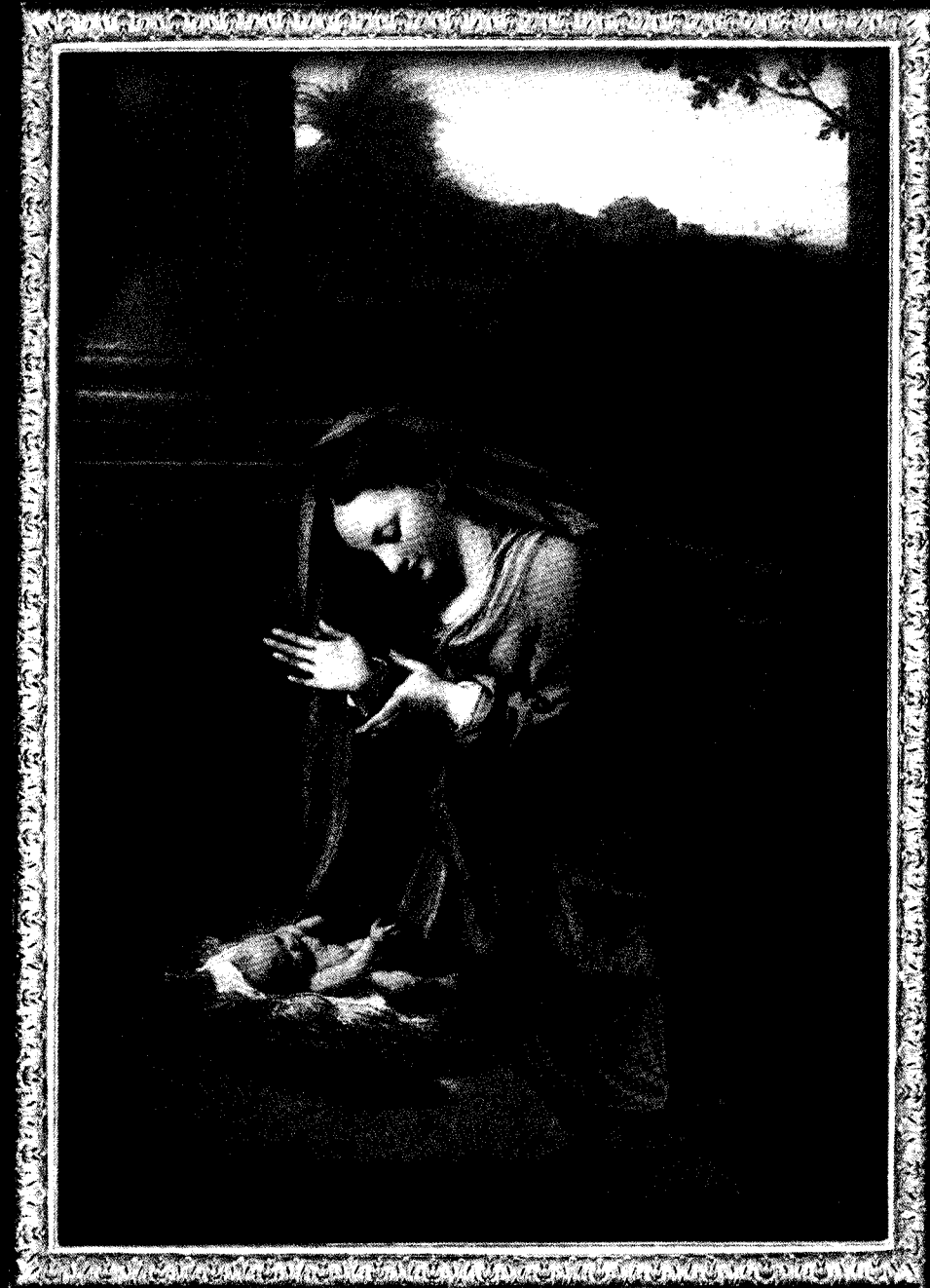
the New Revised Standard Version

"God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen"

Artist: Corregio Adoration of the Kings

arr. Jones

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To you is born this day . . .
a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.

—Luke 2:11

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DECEMBER 28, 2008 · 1ST CHRISTMAS 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

A SERVICE OF LIGHT

PRELUDE "Once in Royal David's City" arr. Innes

GREETING

(L) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(P) And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN** "O Come All Ye Faithful" #112

THE FIRST CANDLE

"Let There Be Light"

***FIRST READING** Genesis 1:1-3

The candle of Hope is lit

***SECOND READING** Psalm 136:1-9

(L) O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

(L) O give thanks to the God of gods,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

(L) O give thanks to the LORD of lords,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

(L) Who alone does great wonders,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

(L) Who by understanding made the heavens,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

(L) Who spread out the earth on the waters,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

(L) Who made the great lights,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

(L) The sun to rule over the day,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

(L) The moon and stars to rule over the night,

(P) For his steadfast love endures forever.

***RESPONSE** "Of the Father's Love Begotten" #13

THE SECOND CANDLE

"The people who walked in darkness
have seen a Great Light"

THIRD READING

Luke 1:76-79

The candle of Peace is lit

FOURTH READING

Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7

TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in the darkness. We confess that we have not always welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to your glory in our midst, expecting little and hoping for even less. Forgive our doubt and renew our hope so that we may learn to live as children of the light. In Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Our eyes have seen the salvation of God, a light for all peoples, in Jesus Christ we have peace with God.

(P) In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE** "Angels We Have Heard on High" #105

THE THIRD CANDLE

"The Light of the Glory of God"

FIFTH READING

Luke 2:8-14

The candle of Joy is lit

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Mary, Did You Know"

Claire Hovermill

10:30 a.m. "Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child"

The Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FOURTH CANDLE

"The True Light that gives Light to Everyone"

SIXTH READING

John 1:1-14

The candle of Love is lit

MEDITATION

RESPONSE

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

Insert

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection

8:00 a.m. *"God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"* arr. Innes

10:30 a.m. *"Angels We Have Heard on High"*

Amber and Brooke Edwards

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***Prayer of Dedication**

THE CHRIST CANDLE

"You are the Light of the World"

***SEVENTH READING**

John 1:12, 12:46

The Christ candle is lit

***FINAL READING**

Matt 5:14-16; Phil 2:12-16

***PARTING HYMN**

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

Insert

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POSTLUDE

"Noel"

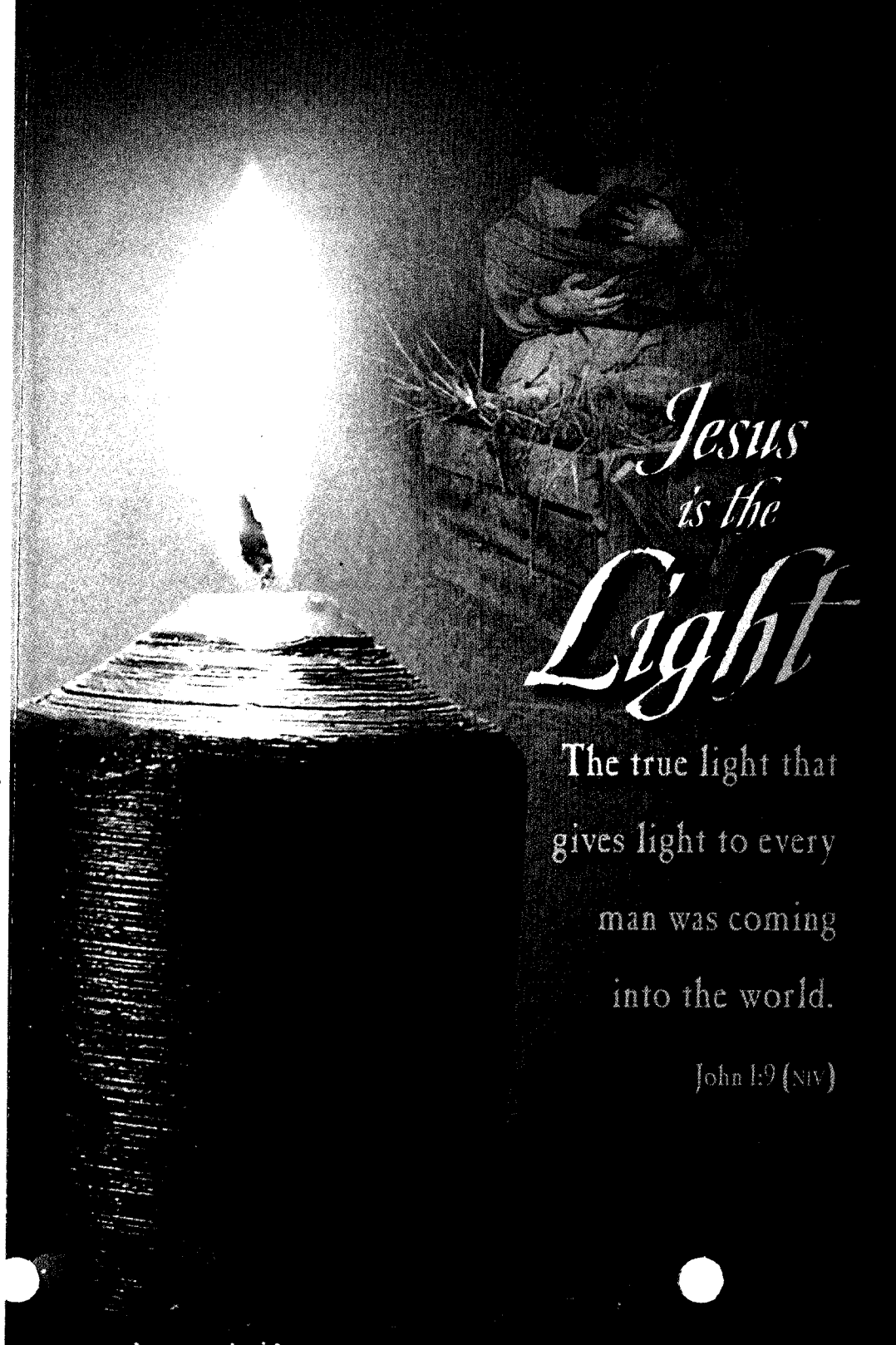
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into the world.

John 1:9 (NIV)