



Open Hearts ~ Open Minds ~ Open Doors

9:00 am

10:45 am

July 18, 2010

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*“The first service that one owes to others in the fellowship consists in listening to them.
Just as love to God begins with listening to His Word,
so the beginning of love for others is to listen to them.”*

- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Entrance

Prelude — Prelude in G Major” J.S. Bach

Introit — “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” Arr. William Hatcher

*Processional Hymn No. 126 — “Sing Praise To God Who Reigns Above (verses 1-3)

*Greeting The Reverend Mark Feldmeir

Glory be to God, our Creator!

**O God who dwells before, you form our inward parts;
you knit us together in our mother’s wombs.**

Glory be to Christ, our Redeemer!

**O God, who dwells among us, you transform our inward hearts;
you show us how to be born again.**

Glory be to the Spirit, our Sustainer!

**O God who dwells within us, for all that you have done and all that we shall become,
we give you thanks.**

Praise Hymn No.126 — “Sing Praise To God Who Reigns Above (verse 4)

♪ **Let all who name Christ’s holy name give God all praise and glory;
Let all who own his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne,
For Christ is Lord, and Christ alone: To God all praise and glory.** ♪

(Latecomers may be seated)

Call to Prayer

Who among us has not wanted to shape God to our own specifications? How often have we wanted to define truth for everyone else but do not hold ourselves accountable for our own brokenness? Whether our sins reside in what we have done or in what we have failed to do, let us confess them now.

Prayer of the People

**God of steadfast love, we come seeking to trust in you in all things.
Take away our distractions so that we may be confronted by your expectation of us.
We realize that our busy striving after things has dulled our awareness of you.
Unaware of our own thoughts, feelings and actions, we have sought fulfillment
in ways that deny you and hurt other people.
Sometimes our success has robbed the needy and brought suffering to the vulnerable.
Save us from our self-serving ways and lead us to find our hope in you.**

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen

Hymn Response No. 451 — "Be Thou My Vision" (verse 1)

♪ **Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.** ♪

Children's Moment (9:00)

*At this time all children are invited to the front of the church to hear a brief message.
The children will be excused afterwards to attend their Sunday School classes.*

(10:45) *Children ages Pre-K - 3rd grade may leave for Sunday School.*

Greetings and Announcements

*Please register your attendance by clearly printing your **first and last** name in the attendance pad found in each pew, passing the pad to the end of the pew, and then back to the center aisle.*

Proclamation of the Word

Prayer for Illumination

**Lord, open our hearts and minds, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
That, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

The First Reading — Colossians 1:15-28 (Pew Bible page 1026).....(9:00) Walt Stewart
(10:45) Anita Kartman

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Amen

Anthem — “How Excellent Is Thy Name” Julie Knowles
Women’s Ensemble

How excellent is Thy name!
O Lord, our Lord, how excellent in all the earth is Thy name!
Alleluia! I will sing to the Lord, and give thanks unto Him.
For the Lord is good. For the Lord is holy;
I will bless His name and sing His praise forever.
How excellent is Thy name!

The Second Reading — Luke 10:38-42(Pew Bible page 903)..... The Reverend Martha Wingfield

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*Hymn of Preparation No. 2128— “Come and Find the Quiet Center

The Sermon — “The Main Course”..... The Reverend Martha Wingfield

Response to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit
as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself
in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen**

Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

*Greeting — Offering Signs of Peace & Reconciliation

The Offering

Offertory — “Esurientes” from “Magnificat”Antonio Vivaldi

*Doxology No. 95

♪ **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.** ♪

Offertory Prayer

**Through our offering, loving God, we proclaim Christ to the world.
We dedicate our gifts to the work of your Church guided by your Spirit.
As we give of our substance, may we also dedicate our lives to witness to your love.
Lead us to be stewards of hope to a weary world. Amen**

*Closing Hymn No. 383 — “This Is a Day Of New Beginnings” (verses 1,3,4)

Sending Forth

*The Light of Christ Leads Us Out Into the World

*The Benediction

Choral Benediction — “Grant Us Thy Peace” James Rivers

*The Postlude — Postlude in C Major” J.S Bach

**Indicates that you are invited to stand.*

***Join us for coffee between services
on the patio or at the Sunday School playground.***

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Today's flowers are donated by Carol & Richard MacManus in celebration of their 32nd wedding anniversary

CELL PHONES: Please mute or turn off your cell phones during the service.

GREETERS: Ruth & Earl Vermilyea

USHERS: (9:00) Bill & Linda Karlicek, Bill Lundgren, Bob & Barbara Mitchell

(10:45) Joyce Calvin, Jean Chavis, Nancy Meisenhelder, Gertrude Stoddard

RECEPTIONIST: (9:00) Mary Ray