



Open Hearts ~ Open Minds ~ Open Doors

9:00 am

10:45 am

July 25, 2010

ORDER OF WORSHIP

“Costly grace is the gospel which must be sought again and again and again, the gift which must be asked for, the door at which a man must knock. Such grace is costly because it calls us to follow, and it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs a man his life, and it is grace because it gives a man the only true life.”

-- Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945)

Entrance

Prelude — “Beach Spring”..... arr. Dale Wood and David Cherwien
William Brakemeyer, Guest Organist

Introit — “How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place”..... Joseph Erwin

*Processional Hymn No. 102 — “Now Thank We All Our God” (verses 1-2)

*Greeting (based on Psalm 85)..... The Reverend Martha Wingfield

Show us your unfailing love, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.
Let love and faithfulness meet together;
let righteousness and peace kiss each other.
Let faithfulness spring forth from the earth,
and righteousness look down from heaven.
Show us your unfailing love, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

Praise Hymn No.102 — “Now Thank We All Our God” (verse 3)

♪ **All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven;
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.** ♪

(Latecomers may be seated)

Call to Prayer

Let us bring our whole selves, broken as they are, before the Lord of all mercy.
Let us pray...

Prayer of the People

**With you, Loving God, is the beauty that reveals the defects in us,
yet with you is the goodness which draws us evermore to your likeness.
With you is the truth that reveals how far we have wandered from your ways,
yet with you is the grace which welcomes and accepts us.
Many are the times we have turned our back on you and our neighbours,
but never has there been a time when you have turned away from us.
Enfold us all, we pray, within your saving grace.
Speak words of comfort and rebuke;
tend our wounds and mend our ways;
awaken our conscience and stir in us
a desire to seek your will and do what is right, for your sake .
Give to the timid the courage to accept your mercy,
and give to the proud the humility to seek your forgiveness,
through the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray.**

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

People of faith, there is enough mercy to cover all our sins, and not ours only,
but those of the whole world.

Therefore, put the past and its errors behind you.

Live as forgiven people, for in Christ, you are forgiven indeed!

Thanks be to God!

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

And also with you!

Hymn Response No. 496 — “Sweet Hour Of Prayer” (verse 3)

♪ **Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer!
thy wings shall my petition bear
to him whose truth and faithfulness
engage the waiting soul to bless.
And since he bids me seek his face,
believe his word, and trust his grace,
I'll cast on him my every care,
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer! ♪**

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 — Psalm 85 (Pew Bible page 512).....(9:00) Don Madren
(10:45) Mike King

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen

Anthem — “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds..... Fred Bock
Donna Johnson, Soloist

The Second Reading — Luke 11:1-13 (Pew Bible page 903)..... The Reverend Mark Feldmeir

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen

*Hymn of Preparation No. 405— “ Seek Ye First”

The Sermon — “Stand Your Ground”..... The Reverend Mark Feldmeir

Response to the Word

Reception of New Members (9:00)

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*Affirmation of Faith (10:45)

**Creator God, ground of our being and goal of our journeying,
We believe in you.**

**We believe in you more than we believe in our own complaints,
more than our anxieties and midnight fears,
more than our puzzlement and doubts.**

**Christ Jesus, source of our healing and joy of our desiring,
We believe in you.**

**We believe in you more than the boasts of the arrogant,
more than the duplicity of the cunning,
more than the cynicism of the embittered.**

**Holy Spirit, breath of our hoping and fire of our loving,
We believe in you.**

**We believe in you more than the myopia of the clever,
more than the evasions of the cowardly,
more than the apathy of the negligent.**

**Holy God, you are so great as to transcend our understanding,
yet humble enough to reside with the meek and the poor
and strong enough to weave beauty out of disasters.**

We believe in you.

**In every moment,
in every circumstance.**

We believe in you.

Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

*Greeting — Offering Signs of Peace & Reconciliation

The Offering

Offertory — “Two American Folk Hymns”arr. Charles Callahan

*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

**Merciful Lord,
make holy these gifts of our tithes and offerings,
and make the whole of our lives an everlasting gift to you,
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*Closing Hymn No. 430— “O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee”

Sending Forth

*The Light of Christ Leads Us Out Into the World

*The Benediction

Commissioning of the Sierra Service Project Work Team (9:00)

See insert

Choral Benediction — “A Blessing” Dale Wood

*The Postlude — “Improvisation on *Nun Danket Alle Gott*”

**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 Nancy & Jim Fassett in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary, by Barry & Linda Goodballet in celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary, and by Marge Howard-Jones in memory of her daughter, Patty.

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

GREETERS: United Methodist Women

USHERS: (9:00) Paul & Chryse Carter, Richard & Linda Sterrett

(10:45) Dean Hurd, Pandora Johnson, Randa Krakow, Willard Nixon

RECEPTIONIST: (9:00) Pandora Johnson (10:45) Carol Sadler