

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

JANUARY 1, 2006 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS 10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "What Child Is This" arr. Innes

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

(L) Old year, new year, are all the same to God, whose goodness endures forever!

(P) **We praise you, O Lord, to the highest heavens, for our eyes have seen your salvation; the dawning of a new day.**

***OPENING HYMN** "At Thy Feet, Our God and Father" # 423

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Holy Friend, Savior and Healer of the world, we admit to you the frustration we feel for our part in the evil that infests humanity. We are called to truth, but we prefer darkness to light. We are called to hope, but we slide into the negativity. We are called to grace, but we are at times mean-spirited and self-serving. We are called to mercy, but we harbor grudges and let slip insidious innuendos. We are called to faith, but we live as if everything depended on us. We are called to love, but it rarely goes beyond loving those who love us. God of abundant grace, forgive us for our failure to uphold and express the generosity of your ways. Forgive us for those sins of which we are ashamed, and for the sins which as yet we have not recognized and brought out into your light. Be to us, not the God we deserve but the Saviour

who heaps grace upon grace. In you alone we place our trust. Through Christ Jesus our Redeemer, Amen.

(Pause for silent reflection.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Even when we do forget the true reason for the Christmas season and find our attention drawn to other than Jesus, he does not do that to us. God sent Jesus into the world not to judge us, but to save us. The great good news is this: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

(P) **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and goodwill to people who are greatly favored.**

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

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Gloria in Excelsis Deo

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

"I Call Him Lord"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

(P) **Thanks be to God**

Galatians 4:4-7

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GLORIA TIBI

Luke 2:22-40

*GOSPEL LESSON

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

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SERMON

Rev. John Oliver

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

p. 24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection *"Away in a Manger"*

arr. Innes
Greensleeves

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

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.... Amen.

ORDER FOR SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION see insert

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

*SENDING FORTH

(One) 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 forever.

(All) Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN *"Another Year is Dawning"* # 424

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE *"Noel"* D'aquin

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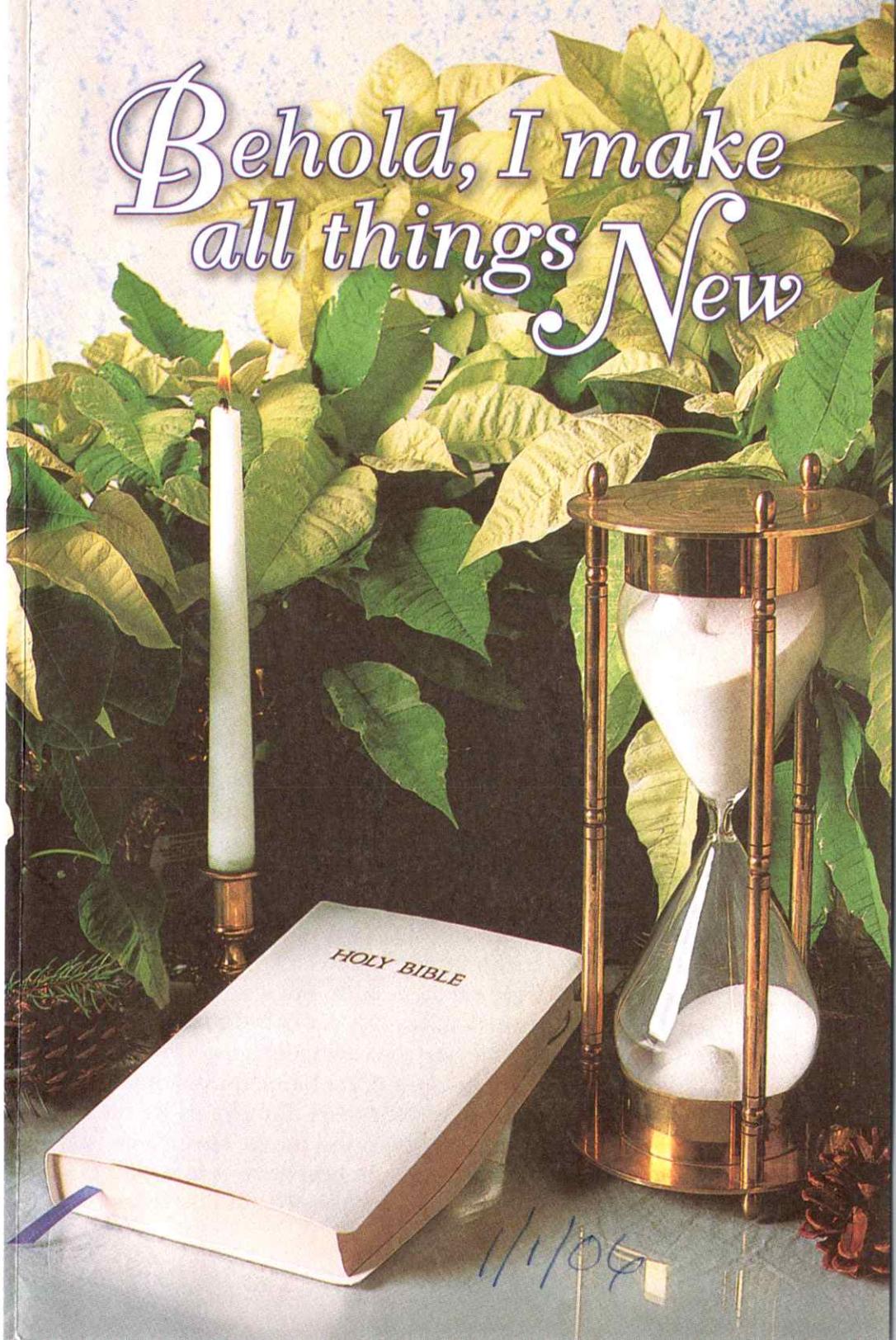
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*Behold, I make
all things New*



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JANUARY 8, 2006 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Morning Has Broken" arr. Bish

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "On Jordan's Bank" # 95

*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.

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(silent reflection)

(L) Let us pray for forgiveness and renewal.

(All) **God our Creator and Savior, we are creatures in need of your constant assistance. Without you we can not break free from the forces that compromise our spirit. Too often we are overwhelmed by uncertainty about the future, or feelings of powerlessness in the present. We fail to recognize you speaking to us, either personally or through your prophets. At times we refuse to accept your guidance. Forgive us for listening to - and believing - other voices that call us away from the path you have for our lives. Loving and merciful God, forgive us when we allow our fears and our worries to stifle your voice of love. Immerse us in the healing waters of your love. Baptize us with your Spirit. Let us know that we are truly made in your image and that we too are your beloved, on whom your favor rests. This we pray in Jesus' name. 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. Know the peace and joy of God's forgiveness in the words: You are the beloved, with whom God is well pleased.

(P) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

*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.*

CHILDREN'S' TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

Solo - Darlene Waters

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

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Genesis 1:1-5

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Acts 19:1-7

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:4-11

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

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

SERMON "GOALS"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed p. 38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER (Using Trespasses)

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection

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

Greensleeves

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(One) May you be flames of hope in a world afraid; glowing with the passion of justice and the beauty of peace. Go in the peace of Christ.

(All) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** *"Shall We Gather at the River"* see insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

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

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JANUARY 15, 2006 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Open My Eyes That I May See" arr. Johnson

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" see insert

*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.

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of wisdom, forgive us for the times we fail to seek your will or heed your call. Forgive us when we fail to act on the truth we know, the knowledge we have, the possibility there is for change. Forgive us when we let our love for family or friends or church or nation blind us to their faults – and ours. Open us, that we might receive the truth that you speak to us. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

(silent reflection)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Know that you are forgiven and freed to forgive others. Walk into a future shaped not by failures, but by God's justice and mercy.

(All) Amen.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Lord, Here Am I"

Senior Choir

10:30 a.m. "Lord, Here Am I"

Pam Georgiadis, Chuck Rohlfing

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20)

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:43-51

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Jesus Calls Us"

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SERMON

"THE WORD OF THE LORD"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed p. 38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD'S PRAYER (Using Trespasses)

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection "Jesus Calls Us"

arr. DeCou

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

Greensleeves

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go with dreams filling your head, and courage surging
through your soul. Keep firm in the hope that God has set
before you in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(All) **Amen.**

***CLOSING HYMN**

"Here I Am Lord"

see insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE

"Postlude in Classic Style"

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JANUARY 22, 2006 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" arr. DeCou

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" # 85

***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.

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

(In preparation for prayer let us silently reflect and think of those people with whom we have difficulty, those who have caused us grief, those who have wronged us in some way; and imagine them bathed in the love and mercy of God.)

(All) **Forgive us, God of unrelenting mercy, for the times we have run the other way rather than enter the territory of those we do not like, those who have hurt us, those we consider our enemy. Forgive us for the times we have resented your forgiveness of those we consider not worthy. Forgive us for the times we have wallowed in anger and self-pity rather than rejoice in the bounty of your love for all people. Sometimes, we want you to punish our enemies and confirm our prejudices. Forgive us for putting boundaries around your mercy and borders on your forgiveness. Help us to see ourselves as children of the Most Merciful One, sisters and brothers of all whom you have created. Help us to forgive those who sin against us as you forgive us. Amen.**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) In the mercy of God, you are forgiven. In the compassion of God, you are freed to begin anew. In the wisdom of God, you are strengthened to lead the new life. Praise be to God.

(All) **Amen.**

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

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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Gone Fishing for Jesus"

Florence Gundlach and Chuck Rohlfling

10:30 a.m. "Not That You Died"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORIA TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 1:14-20

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"Softly and Tenderly"

see insert

SERMON

"THE RISK OF FAITH"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

ORDER OF BAPTISM (10:30)

see insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD'S PRAYER (Using Trespasses)

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection "Rock of Ages"

arr. Bish

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

Greensleeves

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go and proclaim the good news: the reign of God is at hand.
Know that God is with you, even to the ends of the earth.

(All) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE

"Postlude"

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JANUARY 29, 2006 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Prayer" Boelleman

OPENING SENTENCE

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

*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.

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(L) God, source of all truth, your scripture tells us that what is most essential in our conduct as Christians is not knowledge, but love. We confess the times when we have used knowledge in ways which put people down rather than build them up.

(silent reflection)

God, source of all knowledge, forgive us when we see people being exploited because of lack of knowledge, and do nothing.

(All) God, source of all goodness, forgive us when we have idolized knowledge at the expense of loving and caring for others.

(L) God, source of all wisdom, forgive us when we have ridiculed others for having a weak and feeble faith because they appear to lack wisdom.

(All) God, source of all love, forgive us for seeing good only in what we understand and accept as your truths. Touch us, teach us, heal us and make us newly aware of your love and forgiveness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Hear and believe these words of grace: God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

(All) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "I Want to be More Like You"

Diane Borkman

10:30 a.m. "Great Is the Lord"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:21-28

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN "When the Golden Evening Gathered" # 130

SERMON "AMAZING!"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed p. 38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD’S PRAYER (Using Trespasses)

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST’S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection *“Trust in the Lord”*

Handel
Doxology

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) With an authority born of love, Christ sends us forth to live the healing we have received, walk in the wisdom we have been given, and delight in the awesome wonder of God. Go to make God’s love known.

(All) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** *“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”* # 126

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE *“Postlude on Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”* arr. Page

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FEBRUARY 5, 2006 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *"Prelude on Ave Verum Corpus"* Mozart

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"* # 8

*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.

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Merciful God, the scripture challenges us to proclaim the gospel in all ways, by all means, to all people. So often our persistence in clinging to old and familiar traditions, behaviors, and language, block people from hearing and experiencing the good news of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, O God, for using language which excludes people from hearing the great good news about Jesus. Forgive us when our lives and characters proclaim other than the gospel of Jesus Christ; when our piety is visible on Sundays, but hard to detect the rest of the week. Forgive us for when the gospel is proclaimed only within these walls and not daily in the communities where we live or study or work. Forgive us when we forget that proclamation of the gospel goes hand in hand with transforming the hopes and dreams of the downtrodden and powerless into reality. Help us to risk stepping out by faith in mission and evangelism, instead of being confined by the state of our finances. Strengthen us with the Holy Spirit to do all for the sake of the gospel, so that

we and all those to whom it is proclaimed may share in its blessings. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

(silent reflection)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Hear the good news: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone; a new life has begun. Friends, believe the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

(All) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m.

"Seek Ye the Lord"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:21-31

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:29-39

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

see insert

SERMON

"LINING UP AT THE DOOR"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

p. 24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection *"Let Us Break Bread Together"* arr. Johnson
*Bringing Forth of Gifts Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

ORDER FOR SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION see insert

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH** (Traditional Celtic Prayer)

(L) May the Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with you on the road.

(P) **May the Christ who serves with wounded hands stretch out your hands to serve.**

(L) May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart open your hearts to love.

(All) **May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you.**
Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** *"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"* # 126

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE *"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"* arr. Innes

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FEBRUARY 12, 2006 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "He Touched Me" Gaither

OPENING SENTENCE

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

*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.

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) God of grace and goodness, your mercy comes to us in ways that continually surprise us. You offer such mercy with no strings attached, which is so different from the way we so often act and live. Too often we place conditions on our love and our acceptance of others. Perhaps our greatest sin lies in believing that we know where the boundaries of divine love and mercy are drawn. Forgive us, O God, when we deprive people of the love we owe them as people unconditionally loved by you. Help us to see people with Jesus' eyes and to be moved by his compassion so that we become active and fearless bearers of healing and mercy. Empower us with your Spirit to be barrier-breakers rather than barrier-builders, and remind us, if necessary over and over, that nothing can separate us, or others, from your love as we experience it in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Savior. This we pray in his name. Amen

(silent reflection)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) As the man with leprosy was made clean by a touch and a word from Jesus, so too are we cleansed from all unrighteousness through belief in him. Friends, believe and live the good news.

(All) In Jesus Christ we are loved, we are cleansed, we are forgiven! Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Whiter Than Snow"

Clara Auffarth and Florence Gundlach

10:30 a.m. "People Need the Lord"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

2 Kings 5:1-14

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:40-45

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Jesus Lover of My Soul"

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SERMON

"LINING UP AT THE DOOR"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

ORDER OF BAPTISM (10:30)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD’S PRAYER
SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST’S CHURCH**

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection *“The Great Physician”* arr. Johnson

*Bringing Forth of Gifts Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) May the hand of God be upon you; working through you to bring healing, to bring hope, to touch the world. Go now, in peace and gratitude.

(All) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN “If You But Trust in God to Guide You” see insert**

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE *“Toccata in C”* Bach

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FEBRUARY 19, 2006 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "He Touched Me" Gaither

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" # 181

***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.

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

(All) O God, you made the whole universe in gladness and joy, and in every new day you renew all of the creation. You do not give up on us. Yet we so often live our lives in fear, in mean-spiritedness and in shame. We know that we have wearied you and burdened you with things we have done wrong. Yet you offer us forgiveness and new life. Accept this our confession and refresh us with new life once again. Amen.

(silent reflection)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) God, who hears every prayer and knows every thought says to us, "Forget the former things"; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up. Know that you are forgiven.

(All) Praise be to God!

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

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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "God Will Make a Way"
Senior Choir

10:30 a.m. "Angels Among Us"
Brooke Edwards and Amber Edwards

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Isaiah 43:18-25

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

2 Corinthians 1:18-22

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORIA TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 2:1-12

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"Jesus Lover of My Soul"

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SERMON

"HEALING SIN"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

ORDER OF BAPTISM (10:30)

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Musical Reflection "The Great Physician"

arr. Johnson

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

Doxology

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Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(I.) Go into this new week knowing that God lives in you, healing you and forgiving you. Go in joy.

(All) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "Standing on the Promises"

see insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE

"Toccata in C"

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FEBRUARY 26, 2006 LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" arr. Johnson

OPENING SENTENCE

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

***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.

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

(All) Lord Jesus Christ, by your life of humble service, you persisted in revealing God's glory and love through your words and deeds. We confess our failure to listen to you, to follow after you, to model our lives after yours. When we conceal your love because our pursuit of other priorities prevents us from seeing and serving people in need, forgive us, Lord.

(I.) When we conceal your glory because all we reflect is our own self-centeredness; when we conceal your justice through our failure to empower those who are powerless, forgive us, Lord.

(All) When we conceal your mercy because of our hard and unforgiving attitudes; when we conceal your compassion because of our prejudice and intolerance, forgive us, Lord.

(silent reflection)

(I.) Lord Jesus Christ, cleanse our lives of all shameful attitudes of mind and heart so that we reveal your glory in and through all we do and say and are.

(All) This we pray in your name and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(I.) It is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness" who has shone in our hearts with the knowledge of the glory of Jesus Christ. The good news is that we are not only enlightened by our belief in Christ, we are cleansed and we are forgiven!

(All) Praise be to God!

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

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Till the Storm Passes By"

Willoughby Myrick, Jr.

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

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

2 Kings 2:1-12

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORIA TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 9:2-9

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN** "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"

see insert

SERMON

"TAKING THE NEXT STEP"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection *"Open My Eyes"*

arr. Innes
Doxology

***Bringing Forth of Gifts**

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go in the glory of God to be the glory of God, shining in the world, taking the presence of God with you wherever you go.

(All) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** *"How Firm a Foundation"* see insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE *"Praise to The Lord, The Almighty"* arr. Bish

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March 1, 2006

Ash Wednesday

7:30 p.m.

PRELUDE

"O Sacred Head"

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

***CALL TO BEGIN A JOURNEY TO CROSS** (Joel 2:12-17 adapted)

(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.**

(L) Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people.

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

(L) Sanctify the congregation; assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her canopy.

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

(L) Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep. Let them say, "Spare your people, O LORD, and do not make your heritage a mockery, a byword among the nations.

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

***OPENING HYMN**

"The Old Rugged Cross"

hymnal cover

PRAYER OF REPENTANCE (Psalm 51, read responsively)
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. Therefore we implore God to grant us true repentance and the Holy Spirit that those things which we do this day may be pleasing to God, that the rest of our lives may be lived faithfully, and that at the last we may come to God's eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(P) **Thanks be to God!**

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

*HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

see insert

MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR THE JOURNEY – LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Lord Have Mercy"

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

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*BLESSING

*PARTING HYMN *"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"*

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE

"O Saviour Blest"

Bach

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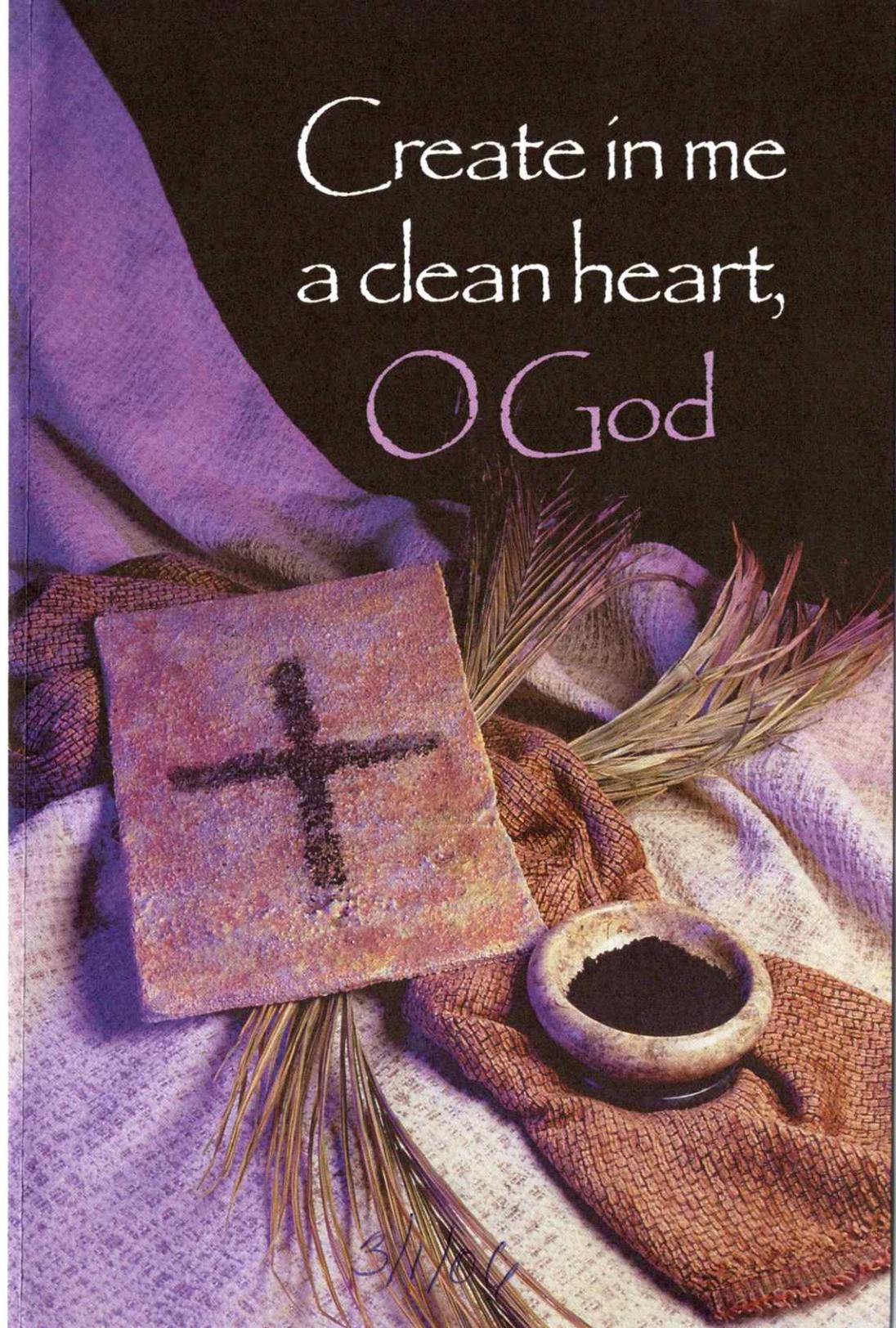
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Create in me
a clean heart,
O God



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MARCH 5, 2006 **FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT** **8:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" Bach

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "Come Thou Almighty King" # 4

*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.

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Gracious God, as we begin our Lenten journey, we do want to follow Jesus but we confess our reluctance to face the stress and temptation that the journey might hold for us. We confess that we are sometimes tempted to wish for miracles which would make life easier rather than more stressful. We admire the difficult and risky journey that Jesus took, challenging systems which put conditions on God's love, but confess that we want our journeys of faith to be devout but not too daring; comfortable and not too threatening. We cherish the faithfulness and humility of Jesus, yet we confess our fear of treading Jesus' way of obedience - the way of the cross.

(silent reflection)

(L) Lord Jesus Christ, save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

(All) Forgive us our sins and fill us with the joy and peace of your salvation, and strengthen us during this Lenten season to follow you wherever you choose to take us.
Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Hear the good news. Christ has suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. And so I declare to you: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

(All) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Steps"
Pam Georgiadis, Florence Gundlach, Margaret Myrick
10:30 a.m. "Man Shall Not Live By Bread Alone"
Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Genesis 9:8-17

(P) Thanks be to God
1 Peter 3:18-22

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:9-15

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

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SERMON

"PEOPLE OF A COVENANT"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

p. 24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection "Forty Days and Forty Nights"

arr. Martin
Hamburg

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

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.... Amen.

ORDER FOR SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION see insert

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

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

(All) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" # 161

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "O Savior Blest" Bach

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MARCH 8, 2006 **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

PRAYER FOR MERCY IN THE JOURNEY¹

On those days when life seems too demanding with all its cares, burdens, and concerns...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we experience great loneliness deep inside and the pain of separation fills our spirits ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we feel the pain of our world and unite in compassion with the Earth's suffering people ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we struggle with decision-making and the time comes to make good choices about our lives...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we are with others in their physical pain or when we vigil with one who has a terminal illness ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we are asked to go the extra mile, to be generous with our time and our presence ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we feel weary and worn out, when it seems like all of our energy has been drained away ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we are challenged to risk our security and to accept new growth in our relationship with you ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

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When we experience the effects of aging or extended illness on our bodies or our minds ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we feel discouraged, desolate, and depressed and want to withdraw from others ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When worries and concerns choke our peacefulness and leave us with anxiety and fear ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we harbor old wounds and are called to offer or to receive forgiveness ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

(All) **Crucified Jesus, help us to take up our cross day by day. Through these crosses we can grow closer to you. Help us to lean on you and to learn from you. May we not give in to self-pity or self-doubt. Rather, let us trust in your presence which strengthens us. Encourage us on our tomb-like days. Remind us of your resurrection. Help us to keep our vision focused on life and growth. Amen.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12

MESSAGE

STUDY

*HYMN

"Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"

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LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*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

*COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING

*PARTING HYMN

"O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

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POSTLUDE



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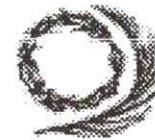
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MARCH 12, 2006 SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Faith of Our Fathers" arr. DeCou

OPENING SENTENCE

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

***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.**

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

(L) Gracious God, you reached into Abraham and Sarah's lives and asked them to believe that you would transform what appeared to be a barren and lifeless situation into one overflowing with promise and hope - and, through faith in you, they believed your promises.

(All) **Forgive us, O God, if we never get beyond thinking of your call on our lives as an impossible dream or even as an unwelcome interruption.**

(L) Faithful God, the apostle Paul emphasizes Abraham's complete trust and faith in your promises and how he grew ever stronger in faith, fully convinced of your ability to fulfill what had been promised.

(All) **Forgive us, O God, when we find it hard even to hear your promises above those which tempt us to trust the newest and trendiest product to realize our dreams.**

(L) Merciful God, Jesus revealed the great depth of your love in his determination to defeat evil even when this meant giving up his own life.

(All) **Forgive us, O God, when we allow the power of evil to flourish because we fear that taking up one's cross would be just too costly an exercise.**

(silent reflection)

(L) Gracious and loving God, forgive our lack of trust in you;

(All) **Have mercy on us and forgive us. Help us when we hesitate, and strengthen us when we are weak. 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) Faith is reckoned as righteousness...to us who believe in the One who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. Hear and believe these words about God's amazing grace, grace experienced through Jesus' sacrificial love, as forgiveness of sins.

(All) **Praise be to God!**

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

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m.

"El Shaddai"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Romans 4:13-25

(P) **Thanks be to God**

***GLORIA TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 8:31-38

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"Faith of Our Fathers"

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SERMON

Rev. John Oliver

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed p. 38 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection

"O Saviour Blest"

Bach

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

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.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) As you have met God in worship, go now to encounter God in your world. May you be strengthened in knowing that the promise and the presence of God's covenant goes with you.

(All) Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN *"Are Ye Able, Said the Master"* front cover

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

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

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MARCH 15, 2006 THIRD WEDNESDAY IN LENT 7:30 p.m.

GREETING

(B) 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

PRAYER FOR MERCY IN THE JOURNEY¹

On those days when life seems too demanding with all its cares, burdens, and concerns...

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When we harbor old wounds and are called to offer or to receive forgiveness ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

(All) Crucified Jesus, help us to take up our cross day by day.

Through these crosses we can grow closer to you. Help us to lean on you and to learn from you. May we not give in to self-pity or self-doubt. Rather, let us trust in your presence which strengthens us. Encourage us on our tomb-like days. Remind us of your resurrection. Help us to keep our vision focused on life and growth. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

MESSAGE

FASTING

*HYMN

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

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LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*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

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

*PARTING HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP

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MARCH 19, 2006 **THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT** **8:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

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

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** *"How Great Thou Art"* see insert

*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.

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) We hear in scripture that the cross is the wisdom of God, yet we confess, Merciful One, our bewilderment and reluctance in looking for any wisdom at all in such a dreadful act as the crucifixion of Jesus, your Son, our Lord. And so, forgive us, O God, when we become so influenced by the wisdom of the world that we demand signs and seek intellectual certainty as proof of your existence. Forgive us when we get caught up in the quest for achievement and power, forgetting that Jesus' power was made perfect in weakness. Have mercy on us, O God, and strengthen us to do your will. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen

(silent reflection)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing but to us who are being saved it is the power of

God. Jesus Christ became for us, righteousness, and holiness and redemption. And so I declare to you, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

(All) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"The Old Rugged Cross Medley"*
Senior Choir

10:30 a.m. *"You Are My All in All"*
Florence Gundlach and Lynn Sanders

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Exodus 20:1-17

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 2:13-22

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

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SERMON

"A JEALOUS GOD"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

ORDER OF BAPTISM (10:30)

see insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection "Ab, Holy Jesus"

arr. Middleton
Hamburg

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

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Love so amazing, so divine,

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Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
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***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 Spirit, the Comfort of the comfortless, grant you the assurance that passes all doubt.

(All) Amen.

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

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "God of Grace and God of Glory" arr. Page

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MARCH 22, 2006 **FOURTH 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

PRAYER FOR MERCY IN THE JOURNEY¹

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*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:9

MESSAGE

SERVICE

*HYMN

"O Jesus I Have Promised"

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LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*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

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

*PARTING HYMN

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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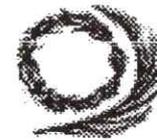
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MARCH 26, 2006 **FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT** **8:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "For God So Loved the World" **Hustad**

OPENING SENTENCE

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

***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.

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

(All) Like our ancestors wandering in the desert, sometimes we grow impatient and lose our trust in you, O God. Fear and mistrust get the best of us and we respond harshly, or run and hide from you. We ignore your gracious love and your call to be disciples, and instead live as if you were far away and had never come to live among us. God of unchanging love, we confess the times when our love for you, and for your world, falls short of your love for us. When that happens, heal and forgive us, O God. Help us to empty ourselves of all that hinders your life-giving love to shine through our lives. Strengthen us with your Spirit to be credible witnesses of your love as we experience it in and through Jesus, your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen

(silent reflection)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) God, who is rich in mercy, out of great love for us - even when we were dead through our sins - made us alive together with Christ. And so I declare to you, in Jesus Christ we are loved and we are forgiven.

(All) **Praise be to God!**

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

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. Pam Georgiadis and Chuck Rohlfig

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

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Numbers 21:4-9

(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Ephesians 2:1-10

(P) **Thanks be to God**

***GLORIA TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 3:14-21

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"Nearer, My God to Thee"

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SERMON

"THE REBORN LIFE"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering,
Musical Reflection

"Oh How He Loves You and Me" arr. Leatherman

*Bringing Forth of Gifts

Hamburg

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Demands my soul, my life, my all.
Prayer of Dedication.... Amen.*

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

- (L) As the Lord sent Jesus into the world to manifest the grace of God,
- (P) **The Lord sends us into the world to manifest the love of Christ.**
- (L) Go now in the assurance that, as the Lord stood with Jesus in the hour of his trial,
- (P) **The Lord shall stand with us in the hour of our trial.**
- (L) As the Lord went with him,
- (P) **The Lord shall go with us. Amen.**

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

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

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

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GREETING

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*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 18:1-5

MESSAGE

SIMPLICITY

*HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

see insert

LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*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

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

*PARTING HYMN

"At the Cross"

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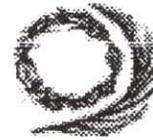
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APRIL 2, 2006 FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT 10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"* Johnson

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN *"We Praise Thee O God"* # 19

*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.

*TIME OF CONFESSION AND PRAYERS FOR MERCY

(All) Have mercy on us, God of steadfast love, according to your abundant mercy blot out all our wrongdoings. Cleanse us thoroughly from all our sins. We know all too well, when we do sin, that we do it against you, O God. When we do evil in your sight, O God, you are justified in your judgment of our misdeeds. You desire truth in all we think, and do and say; therefore etch your wisdom on the innermost places of our hearts. Wash and scrub our sins away until we are free from imperfection.

(silent reflection)

(L) Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put new and right spirits within us.

(All) Do not cast us from your presence and do not take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and sustain in us a willing spirit so that we can respond joyfully to your intention for our lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) I hear the good news: Jesus, having been made perfect, became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. And so I declare to you: in Jesus Christ, we are renewed, we are cleansed, we are forgiven.

(All) Praise be to God!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

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As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

10:00 a.m. *"At the Name of Jesus"*
Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Jeremiah 31:31-34

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Hebrews 5:5-10

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

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John 12:20-33

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"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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SERMON

"GLORIFYING GOD"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

p. 24 Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection "Create in Me a Clean Heart" arr. Innes

*Bringing Forth of Gifts Hamburg

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ORDER FOR SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION see insert

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Go now to listen for the Spirit. Go now to serve Christ. Go
now in the presence of God.

(P) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "Before the Cross of Jesus" # 261

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" arr. Jones

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Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we are asked to go the extra mile, to be generous with our time and our presence ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we feel weary and worn out, when it seems like all of our energy has been drained away ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we are challenged to risk our security and to accept new growth in our relationship with you ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

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When we experience the effects of aging or extended illness on our bodies or our minds ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we feel discouraged, desolate, and depressed and want to withdraw from others ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When worries and concerns choke our peacefulness and leave us with anxiety and fear ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

When we harbor old wounds and are called to offer or to receive forgiveness ...

Jesus, grant us strength to carry our cross.

(All) Crucified Jesus, help us to take up our cross day by day.

Through these crosses we can grow closer to you. Help us to lean on you and to learn from you. May we not give in to self-pity or self-doubt. Rather, let us trust in your presence which strengthens us. Encourage us on our tomb-like days. Remind us of your resurrection. Help us to keep our vision focused on life and growth. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:9

MESSAGE

PRAYER/MEDITATION

*HYMN

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

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LENTEN PRAYERS – LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*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

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

*PARTING HYMN

"Just As I Am"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE



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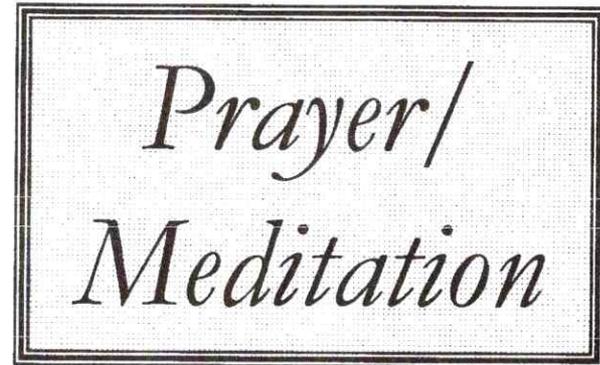
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APRIL 9, 2006 **PALM SUNDAY** **8:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *"Ride On! Ride On! In Majesty"* arr Broughton

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** *"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"* # 136

***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.

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

(All) Loving God, you rode a donkey and came in peace, humbled yourself and gave yourself for us. We confess our lack of humility. As you entered Jerusalem, the crowds shouted, "Hosanna: Save us now!" On Good Friday they shouted, "Crucify!" We confess our praise is often empty. We sing Hosanna but cry Crucify. As the crowd laid their palms in front of you, you took the way of God: you took no glory for yourself. We confess that we want to be accepted and take the easy way. We do not stay true to your will. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to follow in the way of obedience. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) Hear the Word of the Lord from Psalm 118: The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. In Christ, God answers us and sets us free. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

(All) Praise be to God!

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

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. *"The Holy City"*
Willoughby Myrick, Jr.
10:30 a.m. *"Blessed Is He"*
Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Isaiah 50:4-9a

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Philippians 2:5-11

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORIA TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 11:1-11

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"All Glory, Laud and Honor"

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SERMON

"DISCIPLES OF JESUS"

WE RESPOND TO THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

ORDER OF CONFIRMATION (10:30 a.m.) see insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

The Call for the Offering.

Musical Reflection

8:00 a.m. *"With Palms Before Thee"* arr. Nordman

10:30 a.m. *"Open Our Eyes Lord"*

Lynn Sanders and Florence Gundlach

*Bringing Forth of Gifts
*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.... Amen.

Hamburg

**WE GO FORTH REFRESHED AND
RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT**

***SENDING FORTH**

- (L) Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
- (P) **Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"**
- (L) May God, whose arms were spread on the cross to embrace the whole world, help you this week to take up the cross and follow him.

(ALL) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "Ride On Ride On In Majesty" # 133

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" arr. Innes



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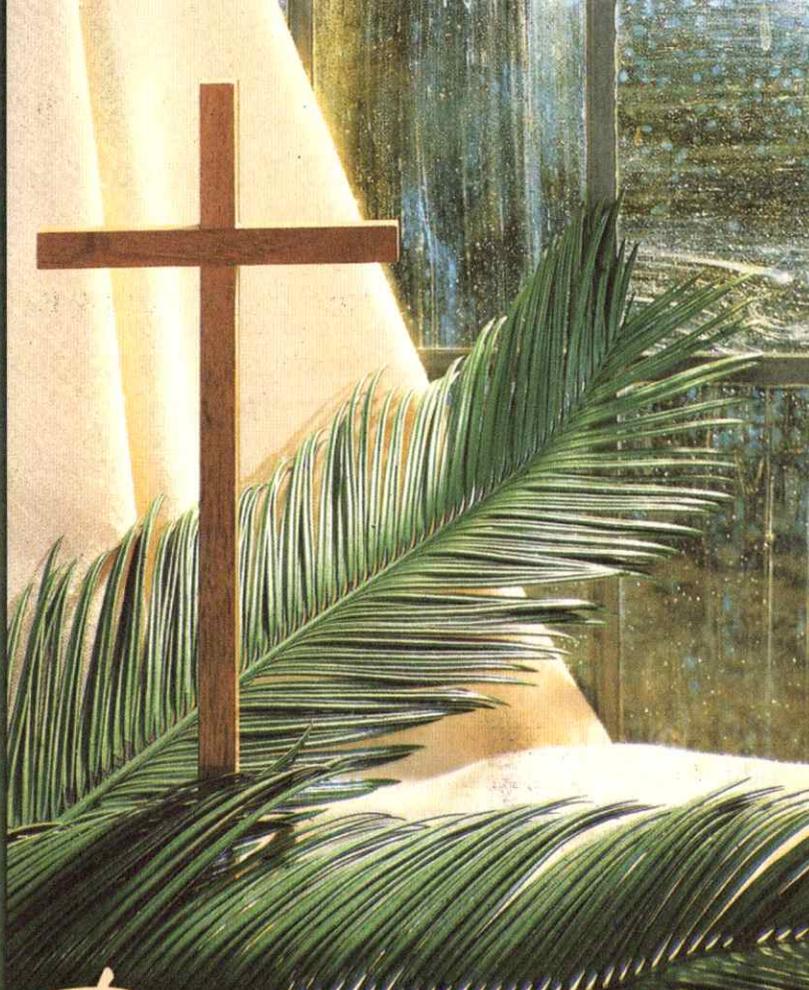
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*Blessed is he that cometh
in the name of the Lord;
Hosanna
in the highest*
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A SERVICE OF WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION

Grace Carrigan Ruppalt

February 2, 1928 -- April 8, 2006

April 11, 2006

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

* PROCESSION AND OPENING SENTENCES

* HYMN OF ADORATION *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"* see insert

* SOLEMN DECLARATION

GREETING

PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 23

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 14

MEDITATION

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Amazing Grace"

Rev. John Oliver

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. John Oliver

* COMMENDATION

* BENEDICTION

* PARTING HYMN

"Old Rugged Cross"

see insert

POSTLUDE

* If able please stand

Psalm 23

The Divine Shepherd

A PSALM OF DAVID.

¹ The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
³ he restores my soul.

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

⁴ 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.

⁵ You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

⁶ 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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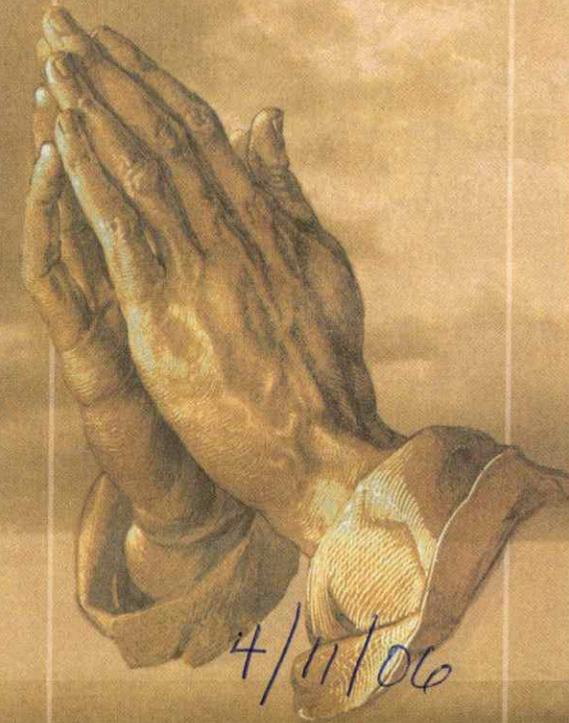
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PSALM 23:6



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APRIL 12, 2006 WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK - TABLEAU 8:00 P.M.

PRELUDE "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" Johnson

OPENING SENTENCE

*HYMN OF ADORATION "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" # 161

*GREETING

(I.) 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.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against
you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and
by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with
our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as
ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the
sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us and
forgive us that we may delight in your will and walk in your
ways, to the glory of your Holy Name. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(I.) My friends, anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The
past is finished and gone, everything has become new.
Hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

(P) Praise be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI # 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*

WORDS OF WELCOME

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

Bach
Hamburg

*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

SPECIAL MUSIC "Room at the Cross"
Ray Eberle

DRAMATIZATION OF THE LAST SUPPER

BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" # 164

POSTLUDE "O Saviour Blest" Bach



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Abe Price
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It's 55th Last Supper Tableau And Dramatization

Wednesday, April 12, 2006

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APRIL 13, 2006 MAUNDY THURSDAY 7:30 P.M.

PRELUDE "Ah, Dearest Jesus" arr. Middleton

WELCOME

*GATHERING

(L) On this night, Christ gave us a new commandment to love one another as he loved us.

(P) **On this night, Christ the Lamb of God, gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him.**

(L) On this night Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room.

(P) **On this night, we gather in this upper room, seeking a table prepared for Christ's disciples.**

*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

We, like sheep, have all gone astray. We have turned, each one, to our own way and God has laid upon him the iniquity of us all. Let us humbly confess our sins which have betrayed and scarred.

(silent confession)

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that so often our discipleship has been weak. We have failed to serve as Jesus served; we have failed to love one another as Jesus loves us. We have been happy to proclaim our devotion to Jesus with our lips and then deny him by our actions. Redeeming God, empower us by your Spirit to

be steady and true to you in every time of trial; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Hear the Good News: While we were yet helpless, at the right time, Christ died for the ungodly. The love of God for us is shown in this, that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. In Jesus Christ we are loved and we are forgiven.

(P) **Praise be to God.**

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

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!

*PEACE OF CHRIST

(L) The peace of Christ be with you.

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

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Cross Medley"
Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

"O Jesus We Adore Thee" # 162

MEDITATION

OFFERING

Offertory

"A Place Called Gethsemane"

Martin
Hamburg

*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... Amen

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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BROADMAN
& HOLMAN
SUPPLIES

*This do in
remembrance
of me.*

Luke 22:19



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APRIL 14, 2006

GOOD FRIDAY

9:00 A.M.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Were You There?" arr. Innes

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "O Sacred Head" # 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

God, it is with shame in our hearts that we confess how often we are so wrapped up in ourselves and our own needs that we completely ignore the needs of others and not even aware of the pain they bear. Forgive us our thoughtless and selfish ways. Show us how to understand those near to us, to reach out to them as you did to the one on the cross next to you. May we be the compassionate people you call us to be. Amen.

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*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

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To bear the heavy cross for my soul!

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

THE SUFFERING SERVANT

Ours Were the Sorrows He Carried

see insert

Hymn "Ah Dearest Jesus"

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Christ's Passion

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD – LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Christ Lay In the Bonds of Death"

Bach

*DOXOLOGY

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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

*COMMISSION AND BLESSING

*RECESSIONAL "The Old Rugged Cross"

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POSTLUDE "Rest In Peace"

Bach



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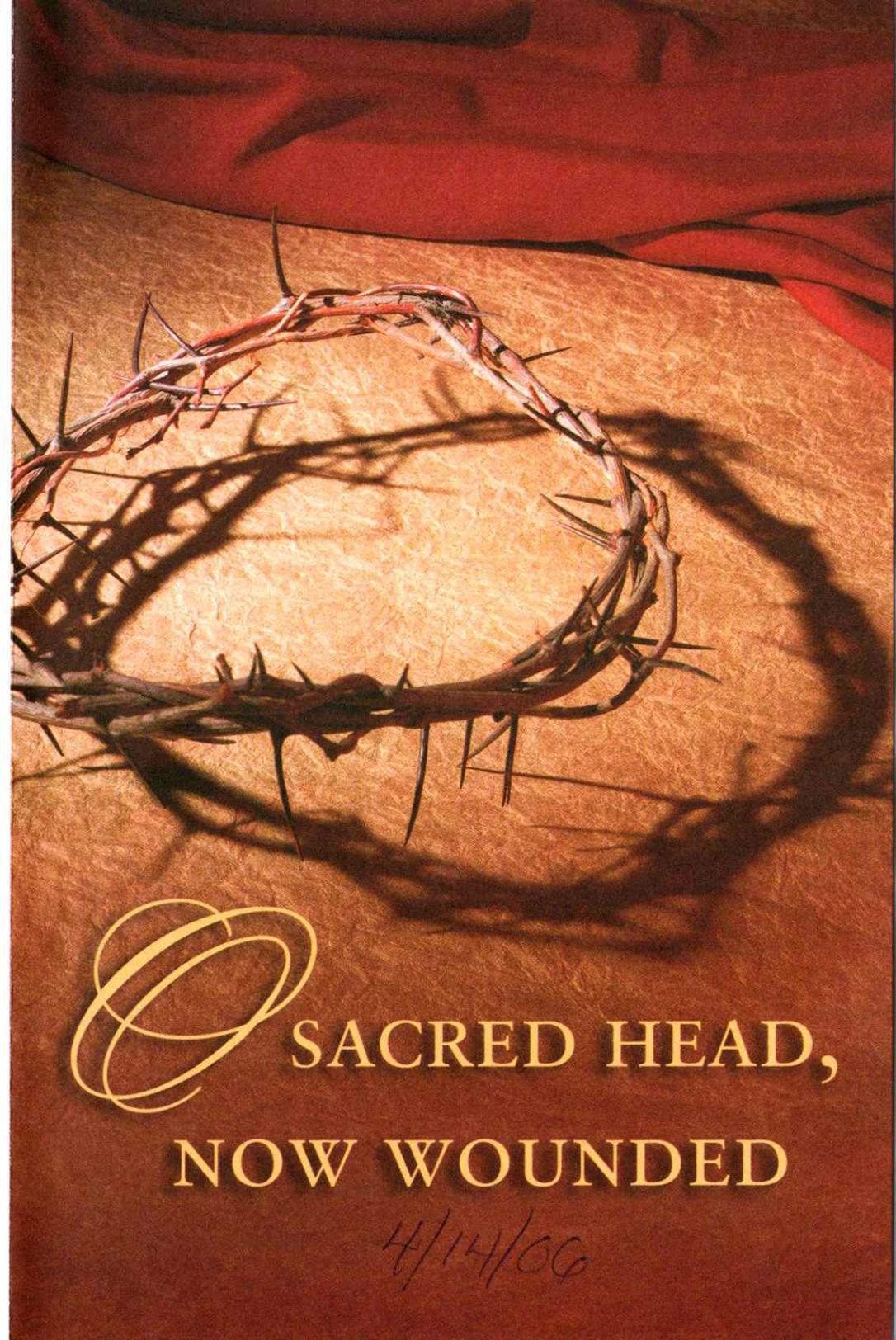
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**SACRED HEAD,
NOW WOUNDED**

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APRIL 16, 2006 EASTER SUNDAY 6:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "The Strife is O'er" arr. Johnson

**THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS,
AND THE DARKNESS DID NOT OVERCOME IT.**

John 1:5

(L) Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

(P) He 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) O God, there are times when we are afraid; times when we do not want to hear good news; times when we find it too hard to believe that there is reason to hope, to have faith, or to trust in your goodness. There are times, too, when we refuse to believe that your love has no limits. Forgive us! Transform us! Roll away the stones from our hearts! Open us to be Easter people, loving you, and sharing your love with all people. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) We can dare to confess our sin honestly and openly to God, for God has promised always to forgive us and always to love us. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

(All) Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hyfrydol

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;

Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise

He who on the cross as Saviour for the world's salvation bled,

Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

6:00 a.m. "Then Came the Morning"
Willoughby Myrick, Jr.

10:30 a.m. "Resurrection Song"
Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34-43

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 16:1-8

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN "Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven and Voices Raise" # 174

SERMON "HE IS GOING AHEAD OF YOU"

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. "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth" arr. Decou

10:30 a.m. "Alleluia! Christ the Lord is Risen"

Nicholas Pietrowski, Jr.

*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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

see insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

- (1) Go in peace, to tell the world Christ is risen! And may the love that has newly defeated death be with you now and forever.

(All) Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "The Day of Resurrection" # 165

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" arr. Innes



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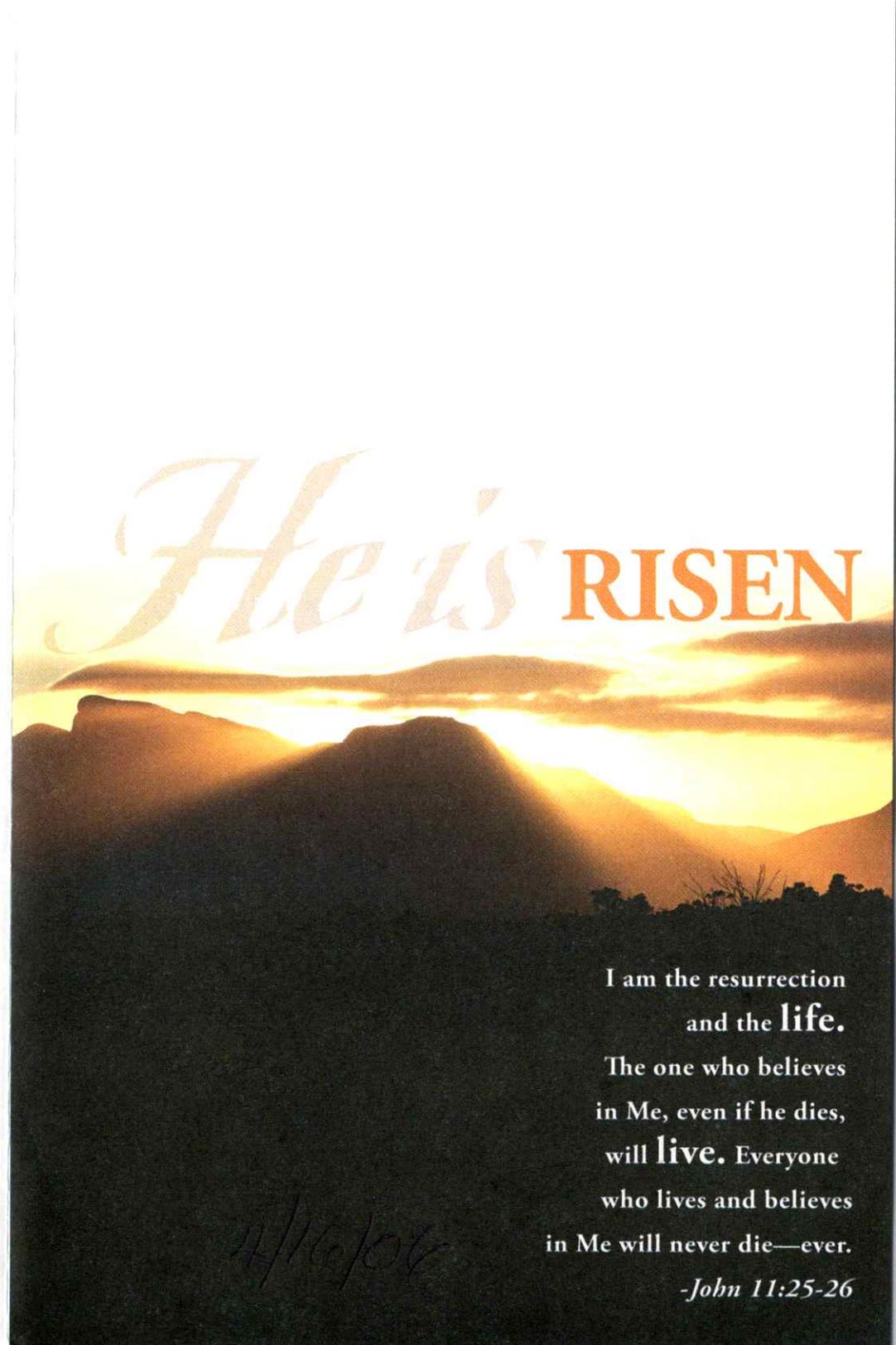
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I am the resurrection
and the **life**.
The one who believes
in Me, even if he dies,
will **live**. Everyone
who lives and believes
in Me will never die—ever.

-John 11:25-26

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APRIL 23, 2006 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Air from Suite in D" Bach

OPENING SENTENCE

*OPENING HYMN "When Morning Gilds the Sky" # 43

*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) Faithful God we gather here as your people, acknowledging Jesus Christ as our Lord. Our faith in him brings joy to our lives. Yet, we admit that there are times when we feel afraid, abandoned, and lonely; when faith leads to doubt and questions rather than a sense of joy or peace of mind. Unlike those first disciples, we cannot touch or see our Risen Lord, and so it is all too easy to become downcast and given to despair. Forgive us when, like the first disciples, we find the truth of Easter hard to believe. Come to us, risen Christ, come through the closed doors of our hearts and minds and take away our fears and doubts. Come to us, risen Christ, breathe on us and fill us with the joy and peace of your presence. Bless us all as people who have not seen you, but who believe that you are truly the risen Christ, Son of God. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Hear the good news: If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. My friends in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

(All) Praise be to God.

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hyfrydol

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise
He who on the cross as Saviour for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Because He Lives"
Florence Gundlach and Chuck Rohlfing
10:30 a.m. "People Need the Lord"
Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Acts 4:32-35

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 John 1:1-2:2

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-31

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

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SERMON

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 “I Know that My Redeemer Liveth” arr. Young

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*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) As God has brought us together to think the thoughts of Christ

(P) God sends us forth to do the deeds of Christ.

(L) May the breath of God sustain you this day and forever.

(P) Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “I Love to Tell the Story” # 467

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE “Postlude” Couperin

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APRIL 30, 2006 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"* Bach

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) Merciful God, we hear the story of Peter and marvel at the transformation which occurred in his life, enabling him to stand up fearlessly before people and proclaim the message of Christ crucified and risen. We confess that all too often, our attitudes reflect more of the Peter of Good Friday, than the Peter of Easter and Pentecost. Forgive us if we don't expect surprises to happen in our journeys of faith – when we are more inclined to focus on our limitations rather than the limitless power of the Holy Spirit. Help us to remember how Peter demonstrates that guilty memories have been transcended by his relationship with the resurrected reality of Jesus. Help us to remember that you give us the same message that you gave the first disciples – that forgiveness of sins are found in his name in which we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) Easter is the affirmation that Jesus came into the world not to condemn the world but that the world might be saved through him. Hear the good news: "Those who are in Christ are a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, to whom we are reconciled through Christ.

(All) Praise be to God. Amen! Alleluia!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hyfrydol

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Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise
He who on the cross as Saviour for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Pass It On"

Diane Borkman

10:30 a.m.

"Till the Storm Passes By"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Acts 3:12-19

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 John 3:1-7

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:36b-48

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Have You Seen Jesus My Lord"

see insert

SERMON

"YOU ARE WITNESSES"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

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

ORDER OF BAPTISM (10:30)

see insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD’S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST’S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection *“He Arose”*

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*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) As the Lord has made disciples of us, now we are sent into the world to make disciples of others. Go with the Risen Christ and let the witness of your lives confirm the testimony of your lips.

(P) Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN *“I Will Sing the Wondrous Story”* # 465

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE *“Postlude”* Capplan

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MAY 7, 2006 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Sheep May Safely Graze"* **Bach**

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) We give thanks, most gracious God, for knowing love in its most sincere and beautiful form - in Jesus, your Son, our Savior and Lord. He did not just tell people how to live but he demonstrated these things in the way he lived by serving others, turning the other cheek, loving the unlovable. We want to serve as Jesus served, but we confess that our priorities can become so easily confused by the values of the world. We do want people to know that your love dwells in us, and that we are true and active witnesses of that love, but you know how frequently we fail. Forgive us when our words and actions fail to disclose your love. Fill us anew with your Spirit O God, so that our weakness is overcome by your strength, our selfishness is overwhelmed by your generosity, and our apathy is replaced by your enthusiasm. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

(silent reflection)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) God the good shepherd cares for all the sheep; even when we wander, God seeks us out, brings us back, and loves us without limit. Hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

(All) **Praise be to God. Amen! Alleluia!**

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

Hyfrydol

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He who on the cross as Saviour for the world's salvation bled,

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CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m.

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 4:5-12

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

SECOND READING

1 John 3:16-24

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

***GLORIA TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 10:11-18

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"The Lord My Shepherd Is"

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SERMON

"LIVING THE SCRIPTURE"

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

***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**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

see insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

***SENDING FORTH**

(L) Commanded by God to love others, go from here guided by God's word, that you may bear good fruit. And may you be filled with the Holy Spirit for your own and the world's healing.

(P) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "As We Gather at Your Table" see insert

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "In Peace and Joy I Now Depart" Kretchmar

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A SERVICE OF MEMORIAL

Carolyn Bertha Loring

July 27, 1936 - April 22, 2006

May 13, 2006

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

GREETING

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

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** *"Amazing Grace"* see insert

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of all comfort and consolation, in your unending love and mercy for us you turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life. Be with us in this hour of prayer that in our sorrow we might know your compassion. Be our refuge and our strength to lift us from the darkness of grief to the peace and light of your presence. Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by dying for us conquered death, and by rising again restored life. Reassure us that after our life on earth we will be reunited with our brothers and sisters where every tear is wiped away. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

WELCOME

SILENT PRAYER

FIRST READING

Psalm 23

SECOND READING

Romans 8

GOSPEL READING

John 14

MEDITATION

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

HYMN OF REMEMBRANCE

"Silent Night"

see insert

PRAYER - LORD'S PRAYER

*LITANY OF DEPARTURE

Word of God, we affirm that you are the beginning and end of all life.

Risen Lord, help us to trust in your promise of life everlasting.

Lord God, you have promised that our lives will be changed and transformed.

Gentle Shepherd, death is hard to accept, but help us to understand that life's journey leads to you.

Source of all goodness, we give you thanks for the blessings which you bestowed on Carolyn in this life.

Gracious God, help us to recall the joy and warmth of our times together as we prepare to go on in life without her.

Lord Jesus, we recall your command to love and care for one another.

Crucified Lord, help us to understand that while we love, our love has limits and we cannot do everything we want.

God of all creation, strengthen us as we release Carolyn into your hands.

Merciful Lord, help us to accept this parting and hold us in your love until we meet again.

Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you have promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.

Amen. We believe in your Word and the eternal life you have promised to us.

Blessed are those who have died in the Lord: let them rest from their labors, for their good deeds go with them. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.

And let perpetual light shine upon her.

May she rest in peace.

Amen.

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

***PARTING HYMN**

"On Eagles Wings"

see insert

CLOSING OF SERVICE

POSTLUDE

***If able please stand**



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*I am
the Resurrection,
and the Life.*

John 11 : 25



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MAY 7, 2006 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** **8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"The Love of God"* **Leatherman**

OPENING SENTENCE

***OPENING HYMN** *"Faith of Our Mothers"* **see 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) It is so easy, O God, to say that since you love us so much, we also ought to love one another, but we confess that it is not always so easy to do. We know in our hearts that the love we have for one another should make your love visible to the world, but we confess that even in the church, our words and actions are not always grounded in love. We squabble over things which in the light of God's love for us are insignificant and petty. We get caught up in power-struggles and the urge to control, sometimes through deeds and language which make others powerless.

* (silent confession)

(L) We love because God first loved us and those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

(All) Fill our hearts anew with your love, O God, turn us away from anything which causes pain for you or our sisters and brothers. May Jesus' commandment of love become

the chief desire of our hearts, the source of all our thoughts and the inspiration of our lives. Amen

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

(L) Jesus invites us to dwell in him as he dwells in us, believing that we have already been cleansed by the word that he has spoken to us. So, hear and believe the good news that through Jesus who dwells in us, we are forgiven.

(All) Praise be to God. Amen! Alleluia!

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

Hyfrydol

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;

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CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Calvary's Love"

Willoughby Myrick, Jr.

10:30 a.m.

"The Lord's Prayer"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 8:26-40

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 John 4:7-21

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

***GLORIA TIBI**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 15:1-9

***LAUS TIBI**

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

***HYMN**

"Happy Our Home When God Is There"

see insert

SERMON

"TOUGH 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 "Wondrous Love" arr. Poole

*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) As you return to the harshness of our world to share the love of Christ, may you be comforted by the God who created you and whose beloved child you are. May you be refreshed by Jesus Christ, the living water. May you be guided on sacred paths by the gentle breath of the Holy Spirit.

(P) Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" # 280

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" arr. Jordan

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MAY 21, 2006 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Prayer" Boelleman

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 God, we give you thanks that you overcame Peter's prejudice and used him to proclaim the gospel with vigor and authority. We confess though, that there are times when we feel safer clinging to our prejudices rather than opening ourselves up to the possibility of you creating dramatic change in our life, and the lives of other people. Forgive us if we dismiss the story of Peter and Cornelius as something that happened a long time ago but wouldn't happen today. Dispel any reluctance on our part to testify to the love and power of Jesus - especially to those whom we might describe as 'outsiders'. Strengthen us also with your Spirit as you did Peter, that we might be willing and confident disciples of Jesus Christ, following where he leads - loving as he loved, and living as he lived. Amen.

(silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) The Holy Spirit is sent to bring assurance of God's forgiveness for all people. No longer are we slaves, for Jesus claims us as friends. Hear and believe the good news that through Jesus who dwells in us, we are forgiven.

(All) Praise be to God. Alleluia! Amen!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hyfrydol

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise
He who on the cross as Saviour for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Acts 10:44-48

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

1 John 5:1-6

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:9-17

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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"MARYLAND SONGS OF FAITH"

Maryland Heritage Vocal Ensemble

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 "Jesus, I Live to Thee" arr. Jordan

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*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) People of God, go in peace to sing the praise of God.

(P) As friends of Jesus Christ, we go to bear fruit for the realm of God, knowing that the Spirit of God has been poured out upon us.

(All) Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Jesus Shall Reign" # 371

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

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

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MAY 28, 2006 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *"Adagio"* Mozart

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) There are times, gracious God, when we are steadfast and firm in our faith, like trees planted by streams of water. And there are times when we bend with the winds of popularity and whim, giving in to whatever attracts us, caring little for your way. There are times when we pay little attention to the needs and concerns of your world and care only about ourselves. Forgive us. Renew us with the refreshing winds of your spirit. Make us new. Strengthen us to grow into your likeness, to bear good fruit, to be pleasing to you. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

(silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) John assures us that "God gave us eternal life, and this life is in God's Son. Whoever has the Son has life..." My friends believe the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ we have new life.

(All) Praise be to God. Amen! Alleluia!

*OUR RESPONSE OF PRAISE TO GOD'S GRACE

Hyfrydol

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;

Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise

He who on the cross as Saviour for the world's salvation bled,

Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. Pam Georgiadis, Florence Gundlach
and Margaret Myrick

10:30 a.m. *"Shout to the Lord"*
Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

1 John 5:9-13

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 17:6-19

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN *"Crown Him With Many Crowns"* # 176

SERMON "PRAYING FOR THE WORLD"

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 *"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"* arr. Johnson

***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) Walk in light as God's own children, united in love for one another, guided by God's word, that you may bear good fruit. May the Blessing of Almighty God – Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer go with you.

(P) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

"America the Beautiful"

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CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE

"Postlude on America"

arr. Coulroy

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JUNE 4, 2006 PENTECOST SUNDAY 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

(L) God of power, You have sent the Spirit of love,

(P) **Forgive us all the times we put conditions on our love.**

(L) You have sent the Spirit of joy

(P) **Forgive us all the times we are disagreeable and unwelcome witnesses.**

(L) You have sent the Spirit of peace

(P) **Forgive us all the times our words and actions contribute towards conflict and division.**

(L) You have sent the Spirit of patience

(P) **Forgive us all the times we worry because we do not see instant results to prayer.**

(L) You have sent the Spirit of kindness

(P) **Forgive us all the times we have neglected people's needs.**

(L) You have sent the Spirit of goodness

(P) **Forgive us all the times we have willfully or thoughtlessly caused pain by our words or actions.**

(L) You have sent the Spirit of faithfulness

(P) **Forgive us all the times our discipleship has lacked credibility.**

(L) You have sent the Spirit of gentleness

(P) **Forgive us all the times we have been aggressive in our attitude towards others**

(L) You have sent the Spirit of self-control

(P) **Forgive us all the times we have hurt others by our careless manner.**

(silent confession)

(L) Gracious and merciful God, grant us your forgiveness and your love that we may truly care for one another.

(P) **Refresh and renew us with your Spirit so that we can be fruitful and vital disciples of Jesus Christ. Amen**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) If God has not withheld the only Son, but has given him up for all of us, will God not also give us everything else? Yes! It is true! Nothing will ever separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(All) **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 every shall be,

World without end. Amen, Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"How Beautiful"

Denise Kelly

10:30 a.m.

"Cannon in D"

Senior Choir, Nicholas Pietrowski, Jr., Ryan Farris

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Acts 2:1-21

(P) **Thanks be to God**

Romans 8:22-27

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) **Thanks be to God**

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GLORIA TIBI

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

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

SERMON "BRIDGING THE DIVIDE"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

CONFIRMATION REUNION LITANY (10:30) see insert

*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

8:00 a.m. "Interlude" Stainer

10:30 a.m. "Mediation"

Nicholas Pietrowski, Jr.

*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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION see insert

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

(L) May the Holy Spirit steer you from paths of destruction into the way of life; sustain you as you go with the bread and the wine; be ahead of you, among you, and behind you until your journey's end.

(P) Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Are Ye Able, Said the Master" hymnal cover

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "Come Holy Spirit, God and Lord" Bach

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Chorale on Holy, Holy, Holy" Post

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

(L) God, creator of all the wonders which make up this world...

(P) Forgive us for treating our part of the world as a commodity to be used rather than a gift to be cherished.

(L) Forgive our failure to care for and protect this lovely land, its oceans, rivers and lakes, and the air that we breathe each day.

(silence confession)

God, bearer of our humanity in Jesus Christ...

(P) Forgive us when we fail to live out Jesus' commandment to love one another as he loves us.

(L) When we judge another person by the color of their skin, by their possessions or their achievements, rather than accepting them as they are - as we all are - persons loved and accepted by you.

(silence confession)

God, giver of the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us into all truth...

(P) Forgive us when we betray the truth of the gospel through our lack of integrity and our abuse of ethical and moral principles.

God, Creator, Redeemer, Life-giving Spirit, fill us anew with your creative power that we may be reborn in your image, glorifying you in and through who we are and what we do and say in Jesus' name. As Jesus' disciples and in his name we pray. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) "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. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." So, hear the good news: "Those who believe in Christ are not condemned."

(All) 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 every shall be,

World without end. Amen, Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Open My Eyes That I May See"

Darlene Waters

10:30 a.m.

"Sanctus"

Senior Choir

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Isaiah 6:1-8

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READING

(L) The Word of the Lord

Romans 8:12-17

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

John 3:1-17

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"Here I Am Lord"

see insert

SERMON

"THE HOLINESS OF GOD"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

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

ORDER OF BAPTISM (10:30) see insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – THE LORD'S PRAYER

SUPPORT FOR THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST'S CHURCH

Call for the Offering

Musical Reflection "God So Loved the World" arr. 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

GO IN PEACE TO SERVE THE LORD

*SENDING FORTH

(L) Go now to be witnesses to the world as those called and sent by God. And may you be led by the Spirit as sons and daughters of the Most High.

(P) Amen.

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

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "Invocation to the Trinity" Carrier

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JUNE 18, 2006 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Faith of Our Fathers" arr. Johnson

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

(P) Lord Jesus Christ, we remember with gratitude those people who generously sowed the seeds of faith in our lives.

(silent confession)

(L) Above all, we recognize how you have blessed our lives with the gift of the Holy Spirit so that our faith has miraculously and mysteriously grown.

(P) We confess the times we fail to involve ourselves in planting any seeds of faith in the lives of others;

(L) The times when our personal agendas become more important than yours;

(P) The times when we have denied others the opportunity to expand their faith through our lack of interest or involvement;

(L) The times when our lives become so entangled with the values of the world, that we forget what you have said and done and promised.

(P) Lord Jesus Christ, bless and renew our lives, we pray, so that we remain connected to you at all times and in all places. Strengthen our faith to expand, and grow strong

and vigorous, so we bear the fruit of your mercy and your love. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) As the Apostle Paul wrote: "if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" The good news therefore is this: in Jesus Christ we are made new, we are loved, we are forgiven.

(All) 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 every shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m.

"Shout to the Lord"

Senior Choir

10:30 a.m.

"Faith Unlocks the Door"

Florence Gundlach

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

SECOND READ

2 Corinthian 5:6-10, (11-13), 14-17

(L) The Word of the Lord

(P) Thanks be to God

*GLORIA TIBI

"Glory Be to Thee, O Lord"

*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4:26-34

*LAUS TIBI

"Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*HYMN

"In the Bulb There is a Flower"

see insert

SERMON

"THE LEAST LIKELY"

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 Song Is Love Unknown" arr. DeCou

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***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) Go and live as God's people in the world: forgiven, supported, loved, equipped to serve. Knowing that the God of hosts is with you, the God of your ancestors hears and leads you.

(P) Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** "Faith of Our Fathers" # 282

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE "Chorale on O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" Jordan

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "It Is Well With My Soul" arr. Hamlin

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) God of faith and truth, in the face of storms and giants, frights and fears, you offer us grace, and the assurance that we are never alone. We confess, Mighty God, there are times when we have not trusted in your presence and guidance. For the times we have relied on our own strength alone; when we were frozen with fear and did not take action; when we failed to stand up for what is good and just in your sight; when we forgot the needs and the hopes of the poor; forgive us. Merciful God, do not forsake us. Restore in us a right spirit and trusting heart. Help us always to be people of faithful courage, eager to worship and serve you. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) God forgives our arrogance and conceit and directs our hearts to work for fairness and equality. God forgives our fears and hesitation and strengthens us to act with love and courage. God hears our confession and grants us salvation.

(All) 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 every shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:00 a.m. "Till the Storm Passes By"
Pam Georgiadis and Chuck Rohlifing
10:30 a.m. "Build Your Faith"
"A Choral Benediction"

Senior Choir, Jennifer Myrick, Keyboard

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49

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

SECOND READ 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

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

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

*GOSPEL LESSON Mark 4:35-41

*LAUS TIBI "Praise Be to Thee, O Christ" # 468

*HYMN "Jesus Savior Pilot Me" # 468

SERMON "THE POSSIBLE IMPOSSIBLE"

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 "Awesome God" arr. Mullins # 551

*Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
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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 forth believing in the power that God has given to each of us, believing that God gives us courage to do great things, believing that God can help us find a new way to accomplish what seems to be impossible. And may Christ be with you as guide and protector, calming the winds and granting you peace.

(P) **We go believing. Amen.**

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

CLOSING OF WORSHIP

POSTLUDE *"Toccata on Regent Square"* Smith

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