

First Sabbath Worship

October 6, 2007

Welcome and Announcements

Norman Moll

If you are a visitor, we wish you a special welcome. You are invited to enter into our worship completely. Please to stay after worship for dinner with us in the Activity Center. "H" indicates hymns found in the Church Hymnal. "C" indicates hymns found in Celebrate. May God's Spirit touch and renew your life today.

ENTER TO WORSHIP

PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

Preparation

"Amazing Grace" (#108)
"I Cannot Tell Why" (#255)

*arr. Allan Mahnke
arr. Nelson Varon*

Invocation

Spirit of Love, Spirit of Truth, guide us as we pray,
To think and wish and praise the best, and mean the words we say.
Hushed is our quiet room, still is this place of prayer;
Silent, we bow our heads and feel Your presence everywhere.

Choral Call to Worship

"We've Waited"

Clara Striklin

*** Hymn of Praise Medley**

"Joyful, Joyful", stanza 1
"I Think When I Read That Sweet Story", all stanzas
"Joyful, Joyful", stanza 2

**No. H-12
No. H-146
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CALL TO CONFESSION:

L: Let us examine our lives in the presence of God, humbly confessing our sins and opening our hearts, so that we do not deceive even ourselves, and exclude ourselves from God's presence.

Silence for personal confession and reflection

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

L: One fact remains that does not change: God has loved you, loves you now, and will love you always. This is the good news that brings us new life.

Congregational Response

"I Will Sing of the Mercies"

No. C-173

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Story "God's Care " Gerri Kohtz

Anthem "God Is So Good" Douglas Wagner

Children: God is so good . . .
Choir: He answers prayer . . .
Choir: He cares for me . . .
Congregation: I love Him so . . .

Scripture Mark 10;13-16 (The Message)
"The people brought children to Jesus, hoping he might touch them. The disciples shooed them off. But Jesus was irate and let them know it: "Don't push these children away. Don't ever get between them and me. These children are at the very center of life in the kingdom. Mark this: Unless you accept God's kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you'll never get in." Then, gathering the children up in his arms, he laid his hands of blessing on them."

Sermon "On Being Like Jesus, As a Child" Norman Moll

Dedication of Eden Vera Smith, Daughter of Walter and Abilene Pastor Darren Greenfield

Anthem "Little Lamb" Gregg Sewell

*Little lamb, do you know who made you?
Gave you life and bid you feed by the stream and o'er the mead?
Gave you clothing of delight, softest clothing, woolly bright?
Gave you such a tender voice, making all the vales rejoice?
Little lamb, do you know who made you? Little lamb, listen as I tell you.
He is called by your name, for He calls Himself a lamb.
He is meek and He is mild, He became a little child.
I, a child, and you, a lamb, we are called by His name.
Little lamb, God bless you.*

OUR RESPONSE

* Hymn of Response "I Think When I Read That Sweet Story " No. H-146

Family Prayers Norman Moll
The "Lord's Prayer" "debts" and "debtors")

Giving of Tithes and Offerings Combined Budget

Offertory "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" Charles Ore

*I am Jesus' little lamb,
Ever glad at heart I am;
For my Shepherd gently guides me,
Knows my need and well provides me,
Loves me ev'ry day the same,
Even calls me by my name.*

Prayer of Dedication

*** Hymn of Affirmation**

“Jesus Loves Me”

1. *Solo:* Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so,
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves m! The Bible tells me so.

2. **All:** Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago,
Taking children on his knee, saying, “Let them come to me.” (refrain)

3. **All:** Jesus loves me! Still today, walking with me on my way,
Wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live. (refrain)

Admonition

L: Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.
(Proverbs 22:6, English Standard Version)

All: Stick with what you learned and believed, sure of the integrity of your teachers—why, you took in the sacred Scriptures with your mother's milk! There's nothing like the written Word of God for showing you the way to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another—showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God's way. Through the Word we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us.
(2 Timothy 3:14-17, The Message)

L: Make your father truly happy by living right and showing sound judgment. Make your parents proud, especially your mother.

L: My son (and daughter), pay close attention, and gladly follow my example.
(Proverbs 24-26, Contemporary English Version)

All: The last and final word is this:
Fear God.
Do what he tells you. (Ecclesiastes 12:13, The Message)

Benediction Pastor Greenfield

Choral Blessing “The Light of God” *Walter Spinney*

The light of God surround you,
The love of God enfold you,
The pow'r of God protect you,
The presence of God watchover you,
Wher'er you are.

Postlude “Trumpet Tune and Air” *Darwin Wolford*

DEPART TO SERVE

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