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The Celebration of Worship 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 15, 2010

10:00 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.
Large print hymnals, Bibles and hearing devices, as well as information about child care
and other church programs are available from any usher.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.
Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand if it is comfortable for you to do so.

We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

...if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

Isaiah 58:10-11

VOLUNTARY

Mercy
Fred Gaul, organist

arr. Gordon Young

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bob Daley

The work of God surrounds us,
 We respond with praise.
The love of God is visible,
 We respond in faith.
The word of God is calling,
 We respond in hope.
The wind of the spirit is blowing,
 We respond with joy.

*HYMN

The Power of Your Love
(See insert)

Geoff Bullock

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

June Mills

*RESPONSE

Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place

Lanny Wolfe

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics: 'Sure - ly the pre - sence of the Lord is in this place.' The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'I can feel His might - y pow - er and His grace.' The third staff continues with lyrics: 'I can hear the brush of an - gels' wings, I see glo - ry on each face.' The fourth staff concludes the response with the same melody as the first staff: 'Sure - ly the pre - sence of the Lord is in this place.'

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Debbe Moredock

O God, You have called us into Your church to be Your servants in the service of others. Forgive us for falling short of Your call. We have loved our buildings more than our brothers and sisters. We have been more concerned with budgets than with justice and peace. We have been more ready to talk about Christ than to live in Christ's image and act out Your will for the world. We have gotten used to listening to our own voices alone, rather than to Your voice on others' lips. Cut through our evasions. Increase our openness. Renew our vision. Make us and the whole church more nearly what You would have us be, through Jesus Christ, whose Body we are.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so you may greet each other by name.
Visitors are invited to wear the button found in the friendship pad.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Joann Daley

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Nicaragua Mission Trip Youth

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*HYMN

This Is My Song

Lloyd Stone, Jean Sibelius

This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
— a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
— and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
— This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
— But oth - er lands have sun - light, too, and clo - ver,
— here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine.
— and skies are eve - ery - where as blue as mine.
— But oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
— O hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
— with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
— a song of peace for their land and for mine.

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We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Betti Volkers

I believe in God, Maker of an unfinished world, who calls us to participate in bringing about the fullness of creation; God, who created abundant resources to provide for all; God, who has not divided people into rich and poor, owners and slaves, not pitted us against each other because of race, color, social class or sex.

I believe in Jesus Christ who was ridiculed, tortured and executed for the sins of humankind. He has overthrown the rule of evil and injustice and continues to judge and redeem the hatred and arrogance of human beings.

I believe in the Spirit of God whose flame comforts us with divine presence and causes our hearts to burn for justice and righteousness. I believe in the reconciling power of God in my life and in the world. I believe that God, through people, can bring peace and hope, justice and equality, the relief of suffering and pain, and the final triumph of love and grace.

- from *Peacemaking Through Worship*, Volume II

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN 579

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

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Joan Steven

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

*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

Ken Volkers

Dear Lord, we give back to You in thankfulness what You have given to us in kindness. We acknowledge that the world and its resources are not ours but Yours, and that You have put us in charge as Your trustees. Help us to exercise responsibly the authority You give us in Your world. Let Jesus Your Son be the pattern for all our dealings with one another, and with the rest of creation. Bless the gifts we now present back to You, so that they may be used in the work of Your Kingdom on this earth.

The Word is Proclaimed

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 29:11-13, Pew Bible, OT, p. 731
Matthew 25:34-40, Pew Bible, NT, p. 28

Kris Webster
Bain Graff

SERMON

K. Paul Davis, Mark Holmes,
Sue Webster, Blair Wessels

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BLESSING

*HYMN OF PARTING 525

Here I Am, Lord

Daniel L. Schutte

*VOLUNTARY

O Blessed Emmanuel
Fred Gaul, organist

J.S. Bach

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand if it is comfortable for you to do so.
Reminder: please return your hearing devices at the end of the service this morning.

- Restrooms and water fountains are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel - please
- accompany children.
- Childcare: Nursery and Rooms 113 and 114
- Elder Visitation: Bob McEldowney, Suzanne Meyer, Okey Moffatt, Charlie Moredock
- The Flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are given by Alice and Mike Abernethy and their children,
- Laura and Colin, for the glory of God and in loving memory of Charles and Mary Gay and by Hester L.
- Covert, Anna Johnson and children for the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Walter
- Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis, Jr. and grandson, Charles M. Johnson.
- Greeters today are: Orita Bonnett, Mary Craig, Kay Marble, Art Youse

PLEASE DROP THIS BULLETIN IN THE RECYCLING BOX AS YOU EXIT. THANK YOU!