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The Celebration of Worship 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 15, 2012

8:45 and 11:00 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

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

1 Samuel 3:1-10

VOLUNTARY

Prelude on Guidance
Fred Gaul, organist

arr. Gordon Young

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Come Build a Church

Ken Medema

Refrain

Come build a church with soul and spir-it. Come build a church of flesh and bone.
 We need no tow - er ris - ing sky-ward; no house of wood or glass or stone.
 Come build a church with hu-man frail-ty. Come build a church of flesh and blood.
 Jesus shall be its sure foun-da-tion. It shall be built by the hand of God. *Fine*

1. Let us see the tongues of fi - re Let us hear the great wind roar.
 2. Let us know the love un-ceas - ing which a - lone can loose the bounds,
 3. Guide our feet in peace - ful path-ways. Teach us peace of heart and mind,

Let us know the awe and won - der that we've on - ly glimpsed be - fore.
 reach - ing out a - cross the cha - sms, bring - ing walls of ha - tred down.
 peace with God and all God's chil - dren, 'til we leave our wars be - hind.

Let us feel the strength of pas - sion which can make us laugh and weep.
 Let us taste the sweet com - mun - ion, where the cir - cle nev - er ends.
 Sure-ly joy will come and find us like a breeze that cools the night,

Let us know this great a - wakening. For so long we've been a - sleep. *to Refrain*
 Hold us in the sweet con - nec - tion, turn - ing strang - ers in - to friends. *to Refrain*
 like the rain up - on the des - ert, like a can - dle's gen - tle light. *to Refrain*

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Barbara Hopta

*RESPONSE 322

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
 Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jim Roberts

Leader: Jesus said, "Follow me."

All: Yet many of us have held back, refusing to give all, to praise all, to be all a disciple should be.

Leader: Philip said, "Come and see."

All: But sometimes we have been slow to come forward, preferring to let others change the world in Your name while they share the power of Your word and are filled with Your Spirit.

Leader: Jesus said, "You will see greater things than this."

All: So why are we content with what we have known, suspicious of change, afraid of renewal? Why do we insist on the familiar things we have known before and familiar teachings that reinforce our inertia, instead of celebrating the new thing You are doing? We give ourselves to You. Mold us, Divine Potter. Remake us in Your image, and make all things new!

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.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

Barbara Hopta

*PASSING THE PEACE

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

*HYMN 394

There Is a Balm in Gilead

BALM IN GILEAD

We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Barbara Hopta

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*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

Jim Roberts

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

Novelette

Richard Purvis

*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

Jim Roberts

God who speaks to Your faithful people, God whose love calls us into lives of purposeful discipleship, our offerings today are a mark that we have heard Your call, and hearing, we are acting because we trust the purposes of Your kingdom, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

ANTHEM (11:00)

Alleluia

William Boyce, arr. Theron Kirk

The Geneva Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 10:19-25, Pew Bible, NT, p. 224

Bill McCoy

SERMON

Attending Weakly

Bill McCoy

*CONCLUDING HYMN 391

Take My Life

HENDON

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PARTING

HYMN 540

*God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.*

*VOLUNTARY

Built on a Rock
Fred Gaul, organist

arr. Gilbert M. Martin

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• *In worship leadership last Sunday:* We thank LOGOS participants James Odin and Will Snider for
• chiming the Trinity to begin our worship services last Sunday, January 8.
• *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:* Joann Daley, Nancy Douglas, Rick Francke
• *The Flowers in the Sanctuary* today remind us that Sarah Sullivan and Ricklin Brown have given a
• contribution to the Hunger Fund for the glory of God and in loving memory of Jack Sullivan.
• *Greeters today are:* Mary Kay and Pat Bond, Jim Hartman, Beth Pugh

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

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