

Sunday, August 1, 2010

Reflections

“Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.”

- Romans 12:1

Never say you will pray about a thing; pray about it. -Oswald Chambers

Sunday Worship Service Participants

August 1

Greeter - Janet Surprenant

Childcare Workers - Pat Newman, Teck Hia, April Claggett (alternate)

Scripture Reading - Jennifer Oquist

August 8

Greeter - Denise Kingsley

Childcare Workers - Elizabeth Demeusy, Aaron Brooks, Bridget Reichl (alternate)

Scripture Reading - April Claggett

August 15

Greeter - Linda Mason

Childcare Workers - Karen Eng, Laura Sterrett, Elizabeth Demeusy (alternate)

Scripture Reading - Janet Surprenant

Service of Praise

Prelude

We invite you to prepare your heart for the worship of our God.

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 29:1-2

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.

***Hymn of Praise**

Hallelujah, Thine the Glory!

Number 179 in Trinity Hymnal

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Hymn of Praise**

We Will Glorify

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**Congregation standing*

Call to Renewal

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

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A Moment of Private Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Galatians 3:13-14

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

* +Hymn of Thanks

My Heart is Filled

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*Congregation standing

+Young children may be dismissed at this time.

Call to Commitment

Collection of Our Gifts to God and to His Church

Doxology

Text: Thomas Ken, 1709

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.

Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

Piano

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all crea- tures here be -

low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

A - - - - - men.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Scripture Reading

Psalm 107:1-9, 43 (ESV)

- ¹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!
- ² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
whom he has redeemed from trouble
- ³ and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
- ⁴ Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to a city to dwell in;
- ⁵ hungry and thirsty,
their soul fainted within them.
- ⁶ Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.
- ⁷ He led them by a straight way
till they reached a city to dwell in.
- ⁸ Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for his wondrous works to the children of man!
- ⁹ For he satisfies the longing soul,
and the hungry soul he fills with good things
- ⁴³ Whoever is wise, let him attend to these things;
let them consider the steadfast love of the LORD..

Prayer of Intercession

Sermon

Colossians 1:24-2:5, 1:15-20 (ESV)

Paul McWhorter

²⁴Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, ²⁵of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ²⁹For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

¹For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at Laodicea and for all who have not seen me face to face, ²that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ, ³in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. ⁴I say this in order that no one may delude you with plausible arguments. ⁵For though I am absent in body, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the firmness of your faith in Christ.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

*Hymn of Response

The Church's One Foundation (verses 1-4)

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**Congregation standing*

***Confession of Faith**

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question 87

Leader: What is repentance unto life?

People: Repentance unto life is a saving grace, by which a sinner, being truly aware of his sinfulness, understands the mercy of God in Christ, grieves for and hates his sins, and turns from them to God, fully intending and striving for a new obedience.

***Song of Benediction**

Gloria Patri

Number 735 in Trinity Hymnal

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.

***Benediction**

Hebrews 13:20-21

The God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working among us that which is pleasing in God's sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever!

Announcements

(Please be seated)

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Church picnic: After the service on Sunday, August 8, there will be a church picnic at Denise Kingsley's house (10 Bruce St., Hudson, NH). If your last name starts with A-L, please bring a salad, chips, or other side dish. If your last name starts with M-Z, please bring drinks or dessert. Meat for grilling will be provided. If you have chairs or a blanket, please bring them with you. And don't forget your swimsuits!

Weekly Schedule:

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| Sunday | 10 a.m. | Worship Service | Sanctuary |
| Tuesday | 7 p.m. | Women's Book Club | Sterrett Home |
| Friday | 2 p.m. | Men's Book Club | Oquist Home |

Budget Information:

Two Months Data June-July 2010

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| Regular Giving | \$17,004.00 |
| <i>(excl. Mercy Fund, Building Fund and Memorials)</i> | |
| Fund Raising | \$300.00 |
| Total Giving (Income) | \$17,304.00 |
| Actual Expenses (excl. Mercy Fund) | \$16,009.60 |
| Budget | \$16,828.98 |
| Excess to Expense (Income - Expense) | \$1,294.40 |
| Excess to Budget (Income - Budget) | \$475.02 |

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