

Celebration of Worship

May 24, 2009 – 11:00 A.M.

We enter to worship;

we depart to serve

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude Amanda Teachnor, Organist

Announcements
(Please sign and pass the friendship pads at this time.)

◆ Opening Hymn “*We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise*”
**We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord;
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving;
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy!**
(Repeat)

Welcome and Silent Meditation

Invocation Greg Maloney

Call to Worship *from Psalm 47*

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm.

◆ Hymn 240 “*Fairest Lord Jesus*”

WE CONFESS OUR SINS & RECEIVE GOD’S GRACE

◆ Prayer of Confession
Living Lord, we know that our lives will be richer, fuller, and more joyful if we are working with you.

We repeatedly get the order of things switched, though. We want you to join our cause, mission, or body.

Instead, we are called to join the body where you are the head and we are called to let your mission in the world direct us. We have a hard time letting go of our desire for control, though.

We are fearful of what your way will cost us. Forgive us, we pray. Help us trust that your way for us is best. Then give us the courage to follow joyfully where you lead us. In your holy name we pray...
(...Silent confession will conclude with “Amen.”)

◆ Assurance of God’s Pardon

Hear the good news! The proof of God’s amazing love is this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him.

Friends believe the Good News: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

◆ Gloria “*Lord, Be Glorified*”

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In your church, Lord, be glorified today.

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

Children’s Moment Ms. Marti
(Children’s Church is available for 4 yrs. through kindergarten.)

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

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.

Morning Offering

Anthem “*I Trust in the Lord*” Joseph M. Martin

Some trust in chariots and the works of man.

Some trust in horses or the strength of their hands.

Some trust in armor and the strength of the sword.

But I trust in the Lord.

(Repeat)

Some trust the battle to the hands of the king,
but victory is only thro’ our God.
O He has never failed, His strength alone prevails.
His mighty arm shall rule all the world.

(Repeat 1st verse)

◆ Hymn “*We Are an Offering*”
**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours, we are an offering.**

**All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering, we are an offering.**

◆ Prayer of Dedication

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Gospel Reading (page 861) Luke 24:44-53

New Testament Reading (page 949) Ephesians 1:11-23

Sermon “*The Head Over All*”

◆ Hymn 476 “*More Love to Thee, O Christ*”

WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

◆ Benediction

◆ Congregational Response Hymn 516
“*Give of Your Best to the Master*” (1st verse & Refrain)
**Give of your best to the Master, Give of the strength of your youth; Throw your soul’s fresh, glowing ardor into the battle for truth.
Jesus has set the example – Dauntless was He, young and brave; Give Him your loyal devotion, give Him the best that you have.
Give of your best to the Master; Give of the strength of your youth; Clad in salvation’s full armor, join in the battle for truth.**

Postlude

◆ *(Indicates appropriate place for congregation to stand)*

