

Pentecost Sunday, June 12, 2011
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:45AM

Announcements and *Welcome!

- We welcome you to our service today! It is a blessing when God's people gather to worship Him in spirit and truth! We trust those visiting for the first time will sense our desire to follow a pattern of worship derived from God's word; the priorities of which are outlined in the major headings in this order of worship. We invite visitors to sign our Guest Book and to acquire resources regarding our church and mission.
- Each Sunday we participate in a sacrament instituted by Christ to express our communion with him, one another, and to remember Gospel truths. When coming to the Lord's Table, participants are stating that they are baptized believers and active members, in 'good standing,' with a creed confessing church acknowledging Christ alone as the savior of sinners. The sacraments teach us to "see & sense" the promises of Christ.
- We encourage "family worship." Families with young children who practice this at home are welcome to stay for the service. Above all, this time is set apart to focus attention upon God's attributes and actions! Please be sensitive to "distractions" by utilizing our "childcare room" which is staffed by volunteers each Sunday.
- May God be glorified and honored in all that we do in His name today!

Preparation for Worship with Prayer and Songs of Ascent

***Opening Hymn – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #297** (Diadem)

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Let angels prostrate fall! Bring forth the royal diadem...

And... crown – him [crown him, crown him, crown him] **crown him;**
Crown – him [crown him, crown him, crown him] **and crown him Lord of all.**

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed of the fall,
Ye ransomed of the fall! Hail him who saves you by his grace... [Refrain]

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
On this terrestrial ball! To him all majesty ascribe... [Refrain]

O that with yonder sacred throng, we at his feet may fall;
We at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song... [Refrain]

***Call to Worship**

Isaiah 57:15

Elder – For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, Who inhabits eternity,
Whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him
who is of a contrite and lowly spirit,

All – To revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the
contrite.

***Confession and Cleansing**

Prayers of Adoration & Confession & Assurance of Pardon

God of love and unity, we confess there is much that divides us; not simply our age and ethnicity, but our continual judging of others who do not meet our expectations. Our concerns are fixed too much upon our needs, our convictions, and our convenience. Forgive us for not being gracious with others when all You have been is giving toward us. Convict us by Your indwelling Spirit to embrace Your promises for forgiveness and communion; and unite us by the truth of the Gospel which is power of salvation to all who believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior; in whose name we pray, Amen.

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Song of Praise – The God of Moses (Amazing Grace)

The God of Moses spoke from Heav'n, in power and wrath He came;
Before His feet the clouds were riv'n, half darkness and half flame:

But when He came at Pentecost, He came in power and love;
The rushing sounds with flames aloft, anointed as a Dove.

The fires, that rushed on Sinai down, in sudden torrents dread,
Now gently light, a glorious crown, on every sainted head.

Now Lord, effectu'llly call, with power, open our ears to hear;
Accepting in this sacred hour; applied redemption, here.

Consecration by the Word

Old Testament Law – Numbers 24:1 – 9

(The Spirit of God moved the wicked prophet Balaam to speak blessings toward Israel.)

Old Testament Prophet – Isaiah 44:1 – 5

("...I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants.")

Reader – The words of the Lord. **Congregation** – Thanks be to God.

Psalm – 104: 24–30 (Lyon)

How many works, in wisdom You've made,
How fully on earth Your wealth is displayed,
Consider the ocean how great and how wide,
Where small and great creatures unnumbered abide.

Where ships sail the deep and sea monsters play,
They all look to You to give food each day,
Whatever You give them they gather for food,
When Your hand, You open, You fill them with good.

When You hide Your face, bewildered they yearn,
When You take their breath, to dust they return.
When You send Your Spirit, created are they.
The face of the ground You renew every day.

New Testament Gospel – Matthew 12:18 – 32

("I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles...")

New Testament Epistle – Romans 5:1 – 5

("...God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit...")

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***Song – Pentecost Hymn** (Protection)

You've poured out Your Spirit, Great Father of Life,
Your presence, Your power, the Spirit of Christ,
The fruit of His triumph, the breadth of His love,
The proof He has risen and reigns now above.

Your promise is given in wind and in flame,
With lives now anointed to herald Your name.
Now loving, now holy, now emboldened with truth,
Your body, Your people are one, Lord, in You.

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We praise You, our Father, the Fountain of Life,
For comfort and challenge, for purpose and light.
In love we will share all the gifts You provide,
That all may be blessed and our Lord glorified.

Sermon: **"Everyone Who Believes"**
(Message by: Rev. Kent Moorlach; Text: Acts 13:38–51)

Coming Together as the Church

Elder's Response & Affirmation of Faith – Westminster Larger Catechism

Elder – (Q. 72) What is justifying faith?

All – Justifying faith is a saving grace, wrought in the heart of a sinner by the Spirit and Word of God, whereby he, being convinced of his sin and misery, and of the disability in himself and all other creatures to recover him out of his lost condition, not only assents to the truth of the promise of the gospel, but receives and rests upon Christ and his righteousness, therein held forth, for pardon of sin, and for the accepting and accounting of his person righteous in the sight of God for salvation.

Elder – (Q. 73) How does faith justify a sinner in the sight of God?

All – Faith justifies a sinner in the sight of God, not because of those other graces which do always accompany it, or of good works that are the fruits of it, nor as if the grace of faith, or any act thereof, were imputed to him for his justification; but only as it is an instrument by which he receives and applies Christ and his righteousness.

Offering

[Please pass the offering baskets through your section toward the back. If you have a special prayer request, please fill out a prayer card (available at the entry table) and place it in the offering basket. Thank you.]

Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Communion Through the Sacraments

***Sanctus** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The presiding minister will give direction for participation in this meal.
{Wine is located on the table edge nearest to the cross. Grape juice is on the outside.}

Commissioning of the Church

***Closing Prayer & Song of Simeon; Benediction & 3-fold Amen**

Lord, bid Your servant go in peace, Your word is now fulfilled.
These eyes have seen salvation's dawn, this child so long foretold.

This is the savior of the world, the nations' promised light.
God's glory dwelling in our midst, the joy of Israel!

*Those who are able, please stand. – CCLI #2831635
|| Please join us after the service for refreshments and Sunday School Classes ||