

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, January 13, 2008

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Eternal God, we give you our endless praise. With power you created the cosmos, all that is. Through you comes the very breath which gives us life. Yet, you chose to reveal your power and your glory through one who serves others – One in whom you delight, One who is gracious in the pursuit of justice. Accept our prayers and praises for revealing your love for the world in such a grace-full and transforming way. Bless us as we seek to serve you with the compassion and persistence of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

WELCOME

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

UNSER HERRSCHER

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights;

People: I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

Leader: He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;

People: a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. (from Isaiah 42)

***HYMN #423**

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun
Verses 1,4,5

DUKE STREET

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You gave Christ as a covenant to the nations, O God, yet your people continue to live at war. Your prophets proclaim justice and peace, yet we dwell amid hostility and oppression. You judge your people with fairness; we implore you to have mercy upon us alone.

Give sight to eyes that are blind to your truth. Dispel our darkness and enlighten us that we may behold you even in the midst of our conflicts. Free us from seeking your own grandeur, so that in humility we may learn and live peace with your people.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE #572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

THROUGH CHILDREN’S EYES

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 3:13-17

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Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

ANTHEM

Sing to God a Joyful Song

Gordon Young

SERMON

“This Is My Son, the Beloved”

Rev. Ned Beckes

*HYMN #70

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

CAITHNESS CM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES’ CREED

**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

*GLORIA #579

Gloria Patri

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

Amen

from LAND OF REST

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pew Pad

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GO IN GOD’S NAME

*HYMN #366

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

ST. CATHERINE

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Song of Simeon

LAND OF REST

POSTLUDE

You are invited to remain and enjoy the presentation of this piece as you so wish.

*Congregation Stands

***Late Arrivals Seated

BUDGET AND FINANCE MTGS: today at 2:00 p.m. and Monday, 1/14 at 6:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MTG: Monday, January 14, 6:00

LECTIONARY AT LUNCH: Tuesday at noon.

SESSION MTG: Tuesday, January 15, 7:00 p.m.

CFN: January 16: Faith and the Community: Christian Flights International, Scott Mandl

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: Tuesday, 10:00 and 1:00

FARES: This Thursday, 8:30, to the Kentucky Horse Park. Sign up outside Monica’s office.