



SOUTH MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING SUNDAY

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

9:30 AND 11:00 AM

FEBRUARY 5, 2012

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

Fugue in C Major

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

★ Welcome and Concerns of the Church

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

★ INTROIT

O Worship the Lord

Anonymous

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 147

Leisa Lackey (9:30), Jake Cashion (11:00)

One: Hallelujah! It's a good thing to sing praises to our God; praise is beautiful, praise is fitting.

Many: God heals the heartbroken and bandages their wounds. God counts the stars and calls them each by name.

One: Our Lord is great, with limitless strength; we'll never comprehend what he knows and does.

Many: We will sing to God a thanksgiving hymn, and play music on our instruments to God.

All: Let us praise God together!

★*HYMN

Live Into Hope

No. 332

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God, you who heals the brokenhearted; deliver us from sin when we inflict pain on our neighbors. We bear grudges against those who deceive us. We seek revenge on those who hurt us. Some we judge inferior, since they don't meet our standards. Others we deem unworthy of our respect and support. Just as Jesus had compassion upon all who were afflicted, open our hearts with compassion toward all. As we come before you in silence, Healing God, have mercy upon us and help us to receive your forgiveness

Leader: Trusting your mercy, we lift these prayers to you in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

★*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

No. 567

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Amen. Amen.

★ Delayed worshipers may be seated. * Congregation is invited to stand.

Please remember to turn off your cell phones.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM

Be Still, My Soul/ What a Friend We Have in Jesus (9:30)
Laura Hancock

arr. Nicol Sponberg/
Allan Hall

We Enter Here This Holy Place (11:00)
“Our solace comes in broken bread;”
Chancel Choir

Howard Helvey

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP (11:00)

Children up to 3rd grade are invited to recess to the Chapel for Children’s Worship, returning at the Doxology.

Congregation: The peace of Christ be with you.

Children: And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 1: 29-39 (Pew Bible, p. 35)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Rhythm of Discipleship

Rev. Frech

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

Let Us Break Bread Together (9:30)
Audrey McConnell, piano

trad. Spiritual

Be Still, My Soul/ What a Friend We Have in Jesus (11:00)
Laura Hancock

arr. Nicol Sponberg/
Allan Hall

* 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.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE INVITATION

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise . . .

. . . **"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.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Receiving of the Elements by Intinction

(You are invited to come to the table as directed by the ushers, take a piece of bread, dip the bread into the cup, and return to your seats. You may partake of the elements upon receiving them. If you are not able to come forward, or require gluten-free bread or sugar-free juice, you will be served at your seat.)

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN

O Savior, in This Quiet Place

No. 390

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Frech

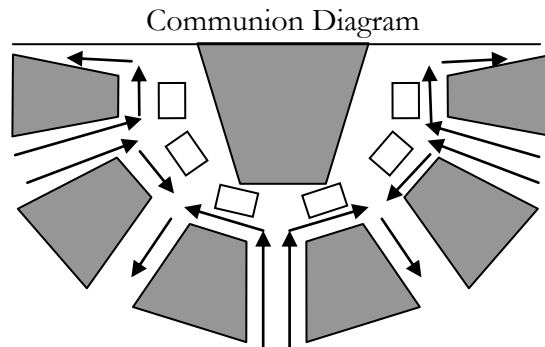
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face.
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. Amen.*

POSTLUDE

Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word

Johann Walther (1496-1570)



Individuals sitting in the balcony will be guided down the outside staircase to the side aisles. Upon returning back to the balcony, please use inner staircases.

THOSE NOT WISHING TO RETAIN THEIR COPY of this worship bulletin are asked to place it at the end of the pew to be recycled.

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