

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 a.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 5, 2012

The service of worship begins with the prelude. Please be mindful of those who are praying.

“His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner; but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.” Psalm 147:10-11

PRELUDE

Prière (Psalm 5:3)

Douglas E. Wagner

INTROIT

***HYMN**

No. 262

National Hymn

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious God, forgive us when we fail to discern between your will and our own, between your image in which we were created, and our own by which we envision you. Too often have we failed to distinguish between what is popular and what is true; between what pleases us and what is important to you; between what feels good and what is right; between what is just and what is expedient; between what is desirable and what is divine. Give us eyes to see as you see, ears to hear what you say, and hearts to receive your judgment as our saving grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PETITION

No. 383

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine: Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly thine!

DECLARATION OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

No. 579

***WORDS OF PEACE**

Minister: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: Peace be with you.

(Please greet your neighbors with words of God's peace.)

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers at this time.)

INVITATION TO THE CHILDREN

ANTHEMPraise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
Chancel Choir

arr. John Sacco

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

We are met, O Lord, to seek your face, to worship you in spirit and in truth, and to listen for your Word. Help us now as we draw near to you to bow our wills to yours, and to yield our hearts to the influence of your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 40:21-31

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 1:32-39

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SERMON

“So How’s Your Prayer Life?”

Dr. Williams

“In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.” Mark 1:35

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**from *A Declaration of Faith*, 1977

Jesus lived with a constant sense of his Father’s presence. He put God’s claim on his life above all else. He joined others in God’s worship and praise. He drew strength from the Scriptures. He prayed and taught his disciples to pray. We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God’s reality and rule. We are charged to pray for ourselves and others with gratitude, boldness, and persistence, confident that God hears and answers our prayers in ways best for us all. Life in God’s presence issues in life for others, for if we do not love sisters and brothers whom we see, we cannot love God whom we do not see. Amen.

THE PRAYERS AND CHORAL RESPONSE**OFFERING****OFFERTORY**

In Remembrance

Buryl Red

DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**HYMN**

No. 404

Precious Lord

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**Invitation and Institution****Prayer of Great Thanksgiving**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)**Communion of the People**

*Eat the bread individually, symbol of our personal communion with the Lord;
Drink the cup together, symbol of our shared communion with the Lord.*

Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth.

Psalm 46:10

Prayer

***HYMN**

No. 477

Hanover

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE

Cortège

Gordon Young

*Congregation please stand.