

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 31, 2008

10:50 AM

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available in the Educational Wing.

WELCOME/MEDITATION

All are asked to complete the attendance register in the pew and pass it along to each person. Any prayer concerns may be placed in the offering plates.

Gathering Prelude

Ruth Wilson

Prelude

Sarabande

Young

***Call to Worship**

Where two or three gather in Christ's name the Sovereign One is present.

Let our coming together proclaim our commitment to Christ and the church.

Blow the trumpets to sound God's warning. Hold one another accountable before the Creator.

The earth shakes at the visitation of our God, and all our idols stand condemned.

God calls us away from our anger and disputes to honest communication and reconciliation.

We renew our allegiance to the commandment "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

***Invocation**

***Hymn**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 3:1-15

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God calls Moses from a burning bush and commissions him to collaborate in delivering the Israelites from Egyptian oppression. Moses questions his worthiness for the task, and God answers each excuse

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Act of Praise

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

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*Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halleluja!
Halleluja!*

Children's Message

Polly Rowan

Children's Church (Children age 4 through 1st grade may go to the Children's Church Room)

Offertory Prayer

Unison

Let us pray: **Loving God, sometimes we are like little children who resent having to share their toys. In this mood we are as grudging with our offerings as we are with paying taxes. Help us to see your intention that we be faithful stewards of all you entrust to us. As we "contribute to the needs of the saints," may we hold one another accountable for the wise use of your resources so all we give and all we retain may be used according to your purposes. Amen.**

Offertory Duet

More Than Wonderful

Wolfe

Linda Pomfrey and Steve Boschen, soloists

Doxology

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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.

***Hymn**

How Can We Name a Love

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***Gospel Reading**

Matthew 16:21-28

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After the confession, the cost: Jesus tells the disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, where he will be killed. Peter rebukes him, and Jesus tells Peter that he is a stumbling block to him by thinking as humans think. Any who will be disciples of Jesus must lay claims to themselves aside, pick up a crucifix, and follow him.

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Message

Who Are You – What Is Your Name?

Rev. Charles Swadley

RESPONSE

Prayers of the People

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn**

I Am Thine, O Lord

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***Commission and Blessing**

Go out to your hungry enemies, waiting to be fed, and your hurting neighbors who need forgiveness.

Our worship is not complete until we have done our all for reconciliation.

Let your church participate with you in the building of better relationships.

We seek to live in peace with all people, and we need the church to help us.

Be affectionately devoted to one another; outdo one another in showing honor.

We need help to develop genuine love in which we really see and hear others.

Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.

We renew our allegiance to the commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Amen.

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

***Postlude**

Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

Carey

***Please stand as you are able. Hearing devices are available (special loops for hearing aids). Large print bulletins are now available. Please see an usher for assistance**

Welcome! We are so pleased that you have chosen to worship with us on this day. Your presence is an encouragement and inspiration to us. Let us celebrate our faith and offer our thanks and praise to God for the blessings he has bestowed upon us. If you desire to join our church, please speak to Rev. Charles Swadley or Rev. Bruce Lake. Membership occurs with Profession of Faith or a Letter of Transfer from another United Methodist Church or other Christian Church.

The **Flowers** on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of my mother, Laura Elkins by Margie Kaszuba. The **Lay Reader** are the Youth. The **Greeters** are Ned and Brenda Custis. **First Response Team:** Mark and Debbie Gillis. The **Lay Speaker** for the Early Morning Service, Sunday, September 7, will be Carroll Cloninger.

The **Upper Room** devotional for September and October is now available for you to pick up. This devotional guide is available on the table in the hall across from the church office. A suggested donation of \$0.75 for small print and \$1.00 for large print is requested.

We have had many needs for financial assistance this year. The Pastor's Discretionary funds are running low. Thank you for any support you feel called to offer.

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We envision churches where all God's people are welcomed at table, nurtured and transformed to be Christ to others in the world

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