

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 28, 2008

10:50 AM

The stone which the builders rejected becomes the corner upon which the structure is built. Stones from the past have a way of providing foundations in the present. Even those at first rejected are appreciated in time. Confessions and creeds, which have withstood the ages, may be tempered and worn; but they likewise remain as foundations of our faith.

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.

Prelude	<i>Celebration</i>	Price
*Choral Call to Worship	<i>Heralds of Christ</i>	Laura Copenhaver
*Invocation		
*Processional Hymn	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (versus 1-3)</i>	Page 154
	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (versus 4-6)</i>	Page 155

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading *Exodus 17: 1-7* **O.T. Page 64**

The people quarrel with Moses at Rephidim because there is no water. The Lord tells Moses to strike the rock at Horeb with his rod. Moses names the place Massah and Meribah.

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

Act of Praise *Thy Holy Wings, O Savior* **Page 502**

Children's Message **Pastor Charles**

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

Offertory Prayer **Unison**

Let us pray: O God, you are owner of all we possess. We open our mouths and you fill them. Life itself is your gift to us. We would return to you now the fruits of our labor, in joyous thanksgiving for the privilege of managing a small portion of your vineyard. May we and our offerings be subject to Christ in all things. Amen.

Offertory Anthem *Holy Lord of Hosts* **Harlan**
Youth and Chancel Choir

Doxology **Page 95**

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** *Trust and Obey* **Page 467**

***Gospel Reading** *Matthew 21:23-32* **N. T. Page 23**

The chief priests and elders ask Jesus by what authority he acts; but Jesus asks them a question they refuse to answer. He then tells the parable of the father who asks each of his two sons to go work in the vineyard. One says, "no," but decides to go; the other says "yes," but does not go.

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Message *Have You Heard This Before?* **Rev. Charles Swadley**

RESPONSE

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer **Unison**

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.

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn** *Lord of the Dance* **Page 261**

***Commission and Blessing**

Press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

We will no longer live for lesser goals that are unworthy of our efforts.

God grants greater maturity and daring as you accept challenges not before considered.

We are awed by God's trust in us yet eager to explore the new vistas before us.

Your Savior greets you from heaven's commonwealth, welcoming your renewed participation.

How good it is to labor in God's realm, to set our minds on eternal values.

May the Spirit empower you to live fully, as God's own children.

We will be true to the best we know and open to increased understanding.

Amen.

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

***Postlude** *Rigaudon* **Campra**

***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 honor of our son, Kieran's 5th birthday by the Magner family. The **Lay Reader** is Bill Giese. The **Greeter** for this morning is Joan Reid. **First Response Team:** Stony and Dale Creery. The **Lay Speaker** for the Early Morning Service, Sunday, October 5, will be John Wermuth.

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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