

**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP**

**Sunday, Sept. 27, 2009**      **Twenty-sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**      **11:00 a.m.**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME**

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Kum Ba Ya/All Night, All Day      Arr. Martha L. Thompson  
Children’s Chime Choir  
Sue Ann Reeves, director

INTROIT

*As Morning Dawns*      WAREHAM

\*CALL TO WORSHIP      (Adapted from James 5:13-16)

Leader: Are any among us suffering? We should pray!

**People: Are any among us cheerful? We should sing songs of praise!**

Leader: Are any among us sick? We should call upon the church to pray over us!

**People: The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up.**

Leader: For any of us who have committed sins;

**People: The prayer of faith will lead us to forgiveness.**

Leader: Therefore, let us pray for one another, so that we may be healed.

**People: For, the prayers of the righteous are powerful and effective.**

\*HYMN #457      *I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art*      TOULON  
verses 1, 4, 5

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Divine Father, Your mercies await those who turn to You with contrite hearts. Hear us as we come to You for help. For evil thoughts, for deceitful words, for covetous eyes, for ears that rejoice in iniquity, for greedy hands; have mercy upon us, O God of purity and grace. In asking for Your forgiveness, we cannot claim a right to be forgiven. Yet we cast ourselves upon Your boundless love; for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son. Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE      KYRIE #572

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*\*\* **PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD**

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

ANTHEM      *Sweet Hour of Prayer*      arr. Martin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE      Mark 9:38-50  
Pastor: The Word of the Lord.      People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON      **“Lame, Maimed, & Blind for God”**      D. Curt Christian

\*HYMN #396      *O For a Closer Walk With God*      FAITHNESS  
verses 1, 2, 3

**RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

\*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**

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE      *Gloria*      Gloria Patri

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER      GENEVA  
CHORAL RESPONSE      *Amen*

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY #592      Third Hundredth

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**GO IN GOD’S NAME**

\*HYMN #332      *Live Into Hope*      TRURO

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE      *Let All Who Seek You Then Rejoice*      WAREHAM

POSTLUDE

\*Those who are able, please stand      \*\*\*Late Arrivals Seated

Today’s lay reader is Grace Gutekunst.

*This morning’s flowers have been given by the Shew family in loving memory of Randall.*

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