



23rd Sunday After Pentecost
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GATHERING TOGETHER

Whether you are worshiping in the sanctuary or online, at any time in the course of the service, you are invited to light a candle signifying a concern, a desire for healing, a confession, or a prayer of thanksgiving that, though private, you would like to remember in the midst of our worship.

*Please speak aloud the **bold** portions of the liturgy in the bulletin. The asterisk * is an invitation for worshipers to rise in body or spirit as able.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Mamie Broadhurst

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

Cody Lucero

INTROIT

A Jubilant Song

Allen Pote

Hope Publishing Co., 2011

Sing to the Lord a jubilant song!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pre-K-5th Graders

Lighting the Candle

Word for Worship

*HYMN No. 712

As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought

CALL TO CONFESSION

Virginia Davis

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

God of all people,

you care for us even when we forget how to care for one another.

When we are caught up in the moment

**and don't think about the consequences of our words and actions,
forgive us and lead us into reconciling community.**

When we are in pain and look for someone to blame,

forgive us and help us rebuild trust.

**When we dig in to our differences,
insisting there is nothing good in those on the other side,
forgive us and open our hearts to recognize your image in every face.**

A TIME OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

**Living God,
with you all things are possible -
even turning enemies to neighbors,
even hope in the midst of despair,
even strangers coming together to seek your purpose.
May we be changed by your grace, made new,
and empowered to bring new life to the world,
one loved neighbor at a time.
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

... Be assured of your forgiveness, but know deep in your core that your life is in Christ, and allow Christ's love and grace to be seen in and through you.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Sung through one time

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy.
You are the Christ, giver of mercy.
You are the Lord, giver of mercy.**

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 17:1-16 [17-24]

SERMON

Mamie Broadhurst

WE RESPOND WITH DEDICATION

*HYMN No. 816

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*This morning Stephanie and Tanner Short bring their son Micah
for the sacrament of baptism.*

INTRODUCTION

DECLARATIONS OF INTENT - PARENTS AND CONGREGATION

Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Micah in word and deed, praying with and for him, teaching him the stories of the bible, and showing him by your example, the way of faith in Christ? **We do.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BAPTISM

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

WELCOME

Micah has been received into the one, universal church of Christ through baptism.

Welcome Micah! With joy and thanksgiving we celebrate you as part of Christ's church and are excited you will share with us in his ministry. We are all one in Christ.

HYMN (*see p. 6*)

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise
(*sung to tune No. 83, Stuttgart*)

OFFERING of GIFTS & DEDICATION OF PLEDGES

Reflect on your response to the work of Christ in the world today, and consider making a commitment of time, talents, and resources. If you choose to contribute to the work of Christ through UPC at this time, on line giving is available. See the announcements for more information.

INVITATION

ANTHEM

How Lovely is the House of God
Composed by Philip M. Young
Broadman Press, 1975

*How lovely is the house of God: A rainbow is its door;
The dawn and sunset form its walls and golden wheat the floor.
How lovely is the house of God: Its steps are mountain chains;
A roof of sky and eaves of clouds and stars for window panes.*

*With all the children of the earth of every land and race,
The Lord doth share most lovingly this holy dwelling place.”*

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*responsive*)

**Generous God,
thank you for providing us with all we have.
In return, receive the time, talents and treasure
that we lay before you now as tokens of our gratitude.
Out of her poverty the Widow gave what she could to a stranger.
In our richness, let us be equally of a mind to share what we
have for the work of the church and the wider world.
In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Mother and Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

*HYMN No. 691

Lord, When I Came Into this Life

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

CHARGE and BENEDICTION

God is...

everywhere!

POSTLUDE

Stuttgart

(Child of Blessing)

Child of bless-ing, child of prom-ise, bap-tized with the Spir-it's sign,
Child of love, our love's ex-pres-sion, love's cre-a-tion, loved in-deed!
Child of joy, our dear-est trea-sure, God's you are, from God you came.
Child of God, your lov-ing Par-ent, learn to lis-ten for God's call.

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with this wa-ter God has sealed you un-to love and grace di-vine.
Fresh from God, re-fresh our spir-its; in-to joy and laugh-ter lead.
Back to God we hum-bly give you: live as one who bears Christ's name.
Grow to laugh and sing and wor-ship; trust and love God more than all.



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