

August 21, 2011

9:00 a.m.

(* Denotes the congregation should stand if able)

PRELUDE JESUS LOVE ME - BRADBURY

***CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT** “*Jesus, Stand Among Us*” #222v. 1 (M)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Liturgist

(PLEASE SIGN AND PASS THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER.)

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Liturgist

Leader: Our help is from God, who made heaven and earth. Come to worship the One who answers our prayers.

People: If God were not on our side, we could not live. If God were not for us, we would be swept away.

Leader: God has gifted each one of us in unique ways. In our variety, we complement one another.

People: We rejoice in God’s love and faithfulness. Blessed be our God, whose word is true.

Leader: In thankfulness, we bring our joyous songs. We are here to pay attention to God’s instructions.

People: We are here, seeking to discern God’s will. We are open to God’s transforming Spirit.

***OPENING HYMN** “Open My Eyes That I May See” #324

OPENING PRAYER Pastor

CALL TO CONFESSION Liturgist

Leader: We who look with horror at the oppression of the pharaohs of Egypt need to view our own privileged positions. We, like the ancient rulers, enjoy the fruits of others’ hard labor, the benefits of their slave-like toil. We eat food picked by child laborers and wear clothing sewn in sweatshops. Our insensitivity separates us from God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Liturgist

O God, we did not realize that we are among the rich oppressors of this world. We think we are poor when we cannot have everything we want. Keep us from misusing the power we have. We confess our fear of those who are unlike us. We set up barriers against them when we are afraid. Keep us from acting in ways that alienate and divide. When we are tempted to conform to the world’s standards, set before us the higher model of sacrifice and service that is given to us in Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

(Time of silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GOD GIVES US GRACE TO THINK WITH SOBER JUDGMENT AND TO ACT WITH CONFIDENT FAITH.

BY THAT GRACE, WE HAVE UNIQUE GIFTS TO USE WITHIN THE BODY OF CHRIST. GOD FORGIVES AND HEALS AND EMPOWERS US WITH NEW INSIGHTS AND EXPANDED CAPACITY TO SERVE. IN HUMBLE OBEDIENCE, WE LEARN THE JOY OF FOLLOWING JESUS AND LIVING FOR THE HIGHEST GOOD OF ALL. THE MERCY OF THE LORD IS FROM EVERLASTING TO EVERLASTING. I DECLARE TO YOU, IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE FORGIVEN!

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *Gloria Patri* #579

CHILDREN'S TIME PAUL SEEFELDT

MINUTES FOR MISSION JERRY BOETTGER

SHARING OF BLESSINGS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS AND DEBTORS)

RESPONSE *Be Calm My Soul* (Insert in front of Blue hymnal) v. 1

SPECIAL MUSIC BIBLE SCHOOL CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OT READING: EXODUS 1:8- 2:10

NT READING: MATTHEW 16:13-20

SERMON: “Who do You Say that I Am?” Paul Seefeldt

***CONFESSION OF FAITH** (Nicene Creed, ecumenical, Page 15)

THE OFFERTORY A LEGEND - STICKLES

DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

***Doxology** #592

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***CLOSING HYMN** “Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord” #392

***CHARGE**

***BENEDICTION**

* **RESPONSE** “*Find Us Faithful*” on Screen

***POSTLUDE** SORTIE - NORDMAN

Liturgist: Jerry Boettger

Audio: Bob Irwin

Choir Director: Kristy Zenk

Greeters: Jayne, Robert, & Don Lyons

Organist: Ann Voggesser

Video: Bob Irwin

Ushers: Jayne, Robert, & Don Lyons

Announcements

Pray for those in the military: Brandon Burns, Tyler Prussing, John Torres, Derrick Franck, and David Franck.

REMINDER: SUMMERTIME WORSHIP HOURS WILL CHANGE ON SEPT. 11, 2011. SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BEGIN AT 9:15 A.M. AND WORSHIP WILL BE AT 10:30 A.M. ON THAT SUNDAY.

Anyone wishing to send a card or note to Garry Chapman his address is:
Sandra J. Schulze – ACS Hope Lodge – Room 212 – 411 2nd Street Northwest –
Rochester, Mn. 55901 – ATTN: Garry Chapman

REMINDER: We encourage all members to pay their per capita of \$26.10 to the church at your earliest convenience, if you have not done so. Thank you.

THIS WEEK:

Paul Seefeldt will be in the office and making calls Tuesday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for the present time. If you need assistance, please give him a call at 263-5332 or 263-2971. If you prefer a pastoral visit, please contact the office at 263-4130.

Tuesday, August 23rd: MEN'S BREAKFAST at Family Table. 7:00 a.m.

Thursday, August 25th: Organization Meeting for Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 27th: Clean up day at the church 8:00 a.m. We encourage all to come and volunteer their time, energy, and equipment to spruce up the facilities and outside cleaning up tree limbs or whatever needs attention.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Ellen McLaughlin family. Her brother, Jim Frogge passed away and the funeral was this past week.

NEEDED Two Sunday School Teachers. Please call Joyce Bohnker if you can help out. Call 712-678-3400.

SALAD LUNCHEON is planned for September 24th. WANTED people to sign up for hosting a table and to provide a salad. Sheets are on bulletin board in hallway.

PRAYERS FOR: Les Lewis, Johnnet Saunders, Mark Moreland (Father), Garry Chapman, Betty Fouts (sister of Vernon & Donna Kuehnhold), Scott Ferguson, Michele Olson, Charles Kruse, Fred Worrell, Tami Frehse, Barb Saunders, Chris Burgess, tornado and flood victims and all who are helping them.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: Leo Burmeister, Putsy Powell, Dale Saunders, Mary Jean Rasmussen, Ron Bierma, Leona Philipp, and our church family.