

August 28, 2011

9:00 a.m.

(* Denotes the congregation should stand if able)

PRELUDE AMAZING GRACE - VARNER

***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: Why have we gathered on this holy day? What has drawn us to this time of place?

People: We have been drawn to a flame burning here. We sense the glory of God in this place.

Leader: God calls us to this time of worship. The place where we are standing is holy ground.

People: Give thanks to God: sing praises. Give attention to the voice of God.

Leader: Out of a burning bush, God spoke to Moses. In the rhythms of worship, God speaks to us.

People: We will listen for God’s message to us. Surely God’s strength will supply our needs.

***OPENING HYMN** “O Jesus, I Have Promised” #388

OPENING PRAYER Pastor

CALL TO CONFESSION Liturgist

Leader: So often we are complainers, not seekers. We proclaim our innocence and justify our anger when so much in life does not go the way we had hoped. We blame God for conditions entrusted to our stewardship. We become stumbling blocks, not facilitators, of God’s design. Let us seek reconciliation with our God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Liturgist

O God, we have wavered in our faith in the midst of suffering, and we have not persevered in prayer. We have claimed to be wiser than we are, and have even tried to correct you. We make excuses for ourselves rather than listening for your direction and heeding your call. Our days are so filled with the busyness of this world that we cannot see your reign among us. We are so weighted down by our own concerns that we have no energy to serve in your realm. Send your cleansing fire among us, forgiving God. Amen.

(Time of silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

WHO IS LIKE OUR GOD, THAT PARDONS INIQUITY AND PASSES BY THE TRANSGRESSION OF HIS HERITAGE? THE LORD RETRAINS NOT HIS ANGER FOREVER, BECAUSE GOD DELIGHTS IN

MERCY. THE LORD WILL TURN AGAIN, AND HAVE COMPASSION UPON US: WILL TREAD OUR INIQUITIES UNDER FOOT, AND CAST ALL OUR SINS INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE SEA.

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

CHILDREN'S TIME PAUL SEEFELDT

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 DREW SEEFELDT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
NT READING: MATTHEW 16:21
OT READING: EXODUS 3:1-15

SERMON: “I Have Indeed Seen the Misery of my People” Paul Seefeldt

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

THE OFFERTORY FAIREST LORD JESUS – MANSFIELD

DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

***Doxology** #592

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***CLOSING HYMN** “Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise” #539

***CHARGE**

***BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE** POSTLUDE DAY OF JOY - DENTON

Liturgist: Jerry Boettger

Audio: Bob Irwin

Choir Director: Kristy Zenk

Greeters: Ruth & David Moen

Organist: Ann Voggesser

Video: Bob Irwin

Ushers: Penny & Dale Kinney

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 30th: MEN'S BREAKFAST at Family Table 7:00 a.m.

Thursday, September 1st: Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Evening Circle 7:30 p.m. Ann Voggesser – Hostess / Denise Philipp – Program

Saturday, September 3rd to Monday, September 5th: Harvesters Retreat at Camp Okoboji

Sunday, September 4th: Worship/Communion 9:00 a.m.

THANK YOU: I wish to thank Sharon, Mary, Marilyn, and Ruth for getting my groceries and for all the little extras you do for me. This is much appreciated. Ruth Overhue

BIBLE STUDY will begin Thursday, September 1, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. They will be using a John Ortberg Study entitled “ God Is Closer Than You Think”.

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 also to provide a salad. Sheets are on bulletin board in hallway.

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

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