

Celebrating 200 Years!

Morning Worship January 31, 2010 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Coming Together in Christ

10:55 AM MEDITATION (Please pause in quiet preparation for worship.)

11:00 AM CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE *Winter from Four Seasons* Antonio Vivaldi

INTROIT *The Lone, Wild Bird*
The lone, wild bird in lofty flight is still with Thee, nor leaves Thy sight.
And I am Thine! I rest in Thee. Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

Entering God's Presence

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 71: 1, 2

Leader: In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

People: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.

* HYMN OF PRAISE #425 *Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining* "Abbot's Leigh"

THE PRAYER OF APPROACH

SILENCE

AMEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (together)

Lord, you know our good intentions, and we know your will—but hold us back long enough to listen to those in need and to learn from them and to learn of our own need. Where we think we are sent, make us ready to receive, where we are keen to teach, make us ready to learn. Prepare us for your way, O Lord.

KYRIE ELEISON (Congregation & Choir)

#65, Lift Up Your Hearts

**Kind and merciful God, we have sinned in your sight,
we have all wandered far from your way; we have followed desire,
we have failed to aspire to the virtue we ought to display.**

THE DECLARATION OF PARDON

John Dillon

* THE RESPONSE IN PRAISE

#28, Lift Up Your Hearts

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah! (repeat)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing God's Word

TIME FOR CHILDREN

* HYMN OF PREPARATION #320

The Lone, Wild Bird

"Prospect"

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 1:4-10

pew Bible p. 64

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

pew Bible p. 656

ANTHEM

Grant Me True Courage, Lord

J. S. Bach

Grant me true courage, Lord, to front each new endeavor,
Confiding in Thy word that Thou wilt leave me never;
Alike in gloom or joy each duty to fulfill,
My faithful heart employ to do Thy perfect will.

THE SERMON

"Blessed Are the Placemakers"

Rev. John Dillon

Our Response to God's Love

* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Christian faith is not an opinion or human conviction, but a most firm trust and a clear and steadfast assent of the mind, and then a most certain apprehension of the truth of God presented in the Scriptures and in the Apostle's Creed, and thus also of God himself, the greatest good, and especially of God's promise and of Christ who is the fulfillment of all promises.

But this faith is a pure gift of God which God alone of his grace gives by the Holy Spirit by means of the preaching of the Gospel and steadfast prayer.

—from Chapter 10, 5.112-5.113 of the Second Helvetic Confession)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORSHIPPING THE LORD THROUGH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* J.S. Bach
Jesu, joy of man's desiring, Holy wisdom, Love most bright;
Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring, Soar to uncreated light.
Word of God our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned,
Striving still to Truth unknown, Soaring, dying round Thy throne.

* THE DOXOLOGY # 592, The Hymnal

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

* THE HYMN OF PARTING #280 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* "Amazing Grace"

* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.)

* SUNG BENEDICTION *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* Dennis
(We will not be holding hands during flu season)

**Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.**

Going Forth in God's Love

* THE POSTLUDE "Amazing Grace"

* Those who wish to do so are invited to stand

About the Affirmation of Faith

The PC (USA) Book of Confessions is a collection of Confessions from the church in many ages and many different situations. Therefore, its expressions of faith cover a multitude of theological opinions, many of which are obviously influenced by who participated in their preparation and the times and customs of their era. While not necessarily agreeing with every statement precisely, our Ministers, Elders, and Deacons swear to be guided by its principles and truths. We select a passage from one of these Confessions each month to experience and explore the breadth and depth of our heritage.

Continuing our exploration of the Confessions, in January we will be using extracts from the Second Helvetic Confession of 1566.

The word “Helvetic” is Latin for “Swiss.” The setting of the Second Helvetic Confession is Swiss-German Reformed Protestantism.

In 1561, renowned Minister of the Church of Zurich, Heinrich Bullinger, composed the document that later became known as the Second Helvetic Confession. He intended to attach it to his last will and testament to the Zurich church, but events in Germany soon brought it into the public arena. In 1566, the churches of Switzerland adopted Bullinger’s confession as their new confession of faith. Soon finding wide acceptance throughout Europe and beyond, it was translated into French, English, Dutch, Polish, Hungarian, Italian, Arabic and Turkish.

From the opening paragraphs the Second Helvetic Confession emphasizes the church and its life and affirms the authority of the Scriptures for the church’s government and reformation. The Confession asks the church to trust in God’s free and gracious election of its membership in Jesus Christ and at the same time, addresses the practical life of the gathered community, detailing matters of worship, church order and conflict, ministry, the sacraments and marriage.

Statement of Purpose

Our Church exists to worship God and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Spirit, we shall serve God’s Kingdom by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

Statement of Vision

We embrace open and progressive theology. Through education, training, worship and Session leadership we will realize our vision both individually and in community. We will be open to new ideas and programs while staying true to our beliefs and traditions. We will commit our personal and corporate resources to embody our Statement of Purpose. We will live our lives responsibly with honesty and integrity.

What's Happening This Week:



SUNDAY, JANUARY (31)

9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages
10:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM Worship Service, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
On the Air WCBC
6:00 PM GAFOSAC Pizza & Movies

MONDAY, FEBRUARY (1)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
4:30 PM Finance & Admin Mtg. in Parlor
6:00 PM Christian Ed Mtg. in Pastor's Office
7:00 PM 200th Anniversary Mtg. in Parlor

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY (2)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
6:30 PM Worship & Music Mtg. in Parlor

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY (3)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool
6:15 PM JoyBells Rehearsal
6:30 PM Pee Wee Basketball Practice at Cresaptown
7:30 PM Jr. High Basketball Practice at Cresaptown
7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY (4)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY (5)

9:00 AM Church Office Open
9:00 AM Learning Tree Preschool

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY (7)

9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages
10:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM Worship Service, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
On the Air WCBC
4:30 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal
6:00 PM GAFOSAC Dinner and Meeting

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY (14)

9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM Sunday School for All Ages
10:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM Worship Service, Transfiguration of the Lord
On the Air WCBC
12:00 Noon Sweetheart Spaghetti Luncheon &
Dessert Auction

It's here!

The Annual Sweetheart Spaghetti Luncheon and Sweet
Tooth Dessert Auction



February 14, 2010

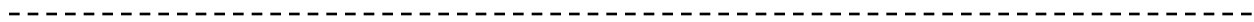
Fellowship hall

**immediately following the
11 AM worship service**

Enjoy a delicious meal with friends, followed by a dessert
auction featuring delectable treats made by our
congregation members.



The proceeds support summer trip opportunities for
our youth. Come ready to raise the prices on sweet treats
and help out our youth programs!



I'll/ we'll be there...

of adults _____ x \$5.00

of children (< 6th grade) _____ x \$2.50

Total: \$ _____ (\$15 family maximum)



Please pay at the door.

...and bring dessert(s)!

What will it be? _____

Be sure to have your dessert(s) in the Fellowship Hall by 11 AM