

The Order of Celebration ~ Centennial Anniversary
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 27, 2009
11:00 a.m.

GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER TO WORSHIP
Prelude

Introit
“The Lord’s Day ~ Mount Calvary”
(vs. 5 then 4 from the 1905 Hymnal)

Great God, we hail the sacred day
Which thou hast called thine own;
With joy the summons we obey
To worship at thy throne.

Let peace within her walls be found;
Let all her sons unite
To spread with holy zeal around
Her clear and shining light.

*Word of Welcome

*Passing the Peace

Announcements and Celebrations

*Call to Worship Rev. Su Debree
One: We gather today to celebrate one hundred years of mission and ministry in this place.
Many: Creator God, may we continue to bear witness to your Love!

One: We give you thanks for the Saints before us who have prayed, worshipped, studied, and given of themselves as missionaries.
Many: Living God, may we continue to bear witness to your Grace and Peace!

One: May we continue to be a reflection of the faith of those who have prepared the way for us.
Many: Eternal God, may we continue to bear witness to the hope and joy that we find in you!

One: We open our lives to this moment, realizing that your spirit has led us to this place and that it is your spirit calling us into the future.
All: As you have blessed us in the past, bless us today and in all the days to come. May we be found faithful to your love by those who come after us. In the name of Christ Jesus our Lord we pray, AMEN.

* Hymn of Praise
"And Are We Yet Alive" UMH 553

Psalm Reading
Psalm 65 Rev. Russ Barber

Prayer Invitation
"Lord, Listen to your Children Praying" TFWS 2193
(2 times through)
Silent Prayer
Offering up our Prayers
(Congregational response “Hear our prayers, O God”)
The Lord’s Prayer UMH 895

Sharing of God’s Tithes and our Offerings
Offertory Anthem
"Meditation from Thais" Massenet
Kathy Quist (Flute) with Patty Ferdinand (piano)

*Doxology “Glory Be to the Father”
UMH 71
Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

GOD’S WORD IS PROCLAIMED

*Hymn of Preparation
"For All the Saints" (vs. 1, 2, 4, &6) UMH 711

Historical Epistle Reading
Ephesians 2:1, 8-10; 4:1-7, 12-16 Rev. Mark Calhoun

Anthem
"Come Build a Church" Medema

Centennial Anniversary Message
Bishop Elaine Stanovsky
“Therefore, let us...”
Selections from Hebrews 11 and 12

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND TO THE WORD
A Service of Word and Table

Invitation
Confession and Pardon

Great Thanksgiving UMH 15
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor gives thanks appropriate to our centennial occasion, remembering God’s acts of salvation, and concludes:

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord’s Supper is recalled. The pastor concludes:

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:

All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.
Amen.

Sharing of the Loaf and Cup
Our table is open to all who, in faith, wish to share in this sacrament. You are invited to come forward and receive a piece of bread, and then dip the bread in the cup which contains grape juice. If you would prefer to receive communion in your seat, please feel free to remain seated, alert an Usher and we will come serve you.

Communion Hymns
"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" UMH 629
"One Bread, One Body" UMH 620
"I Come with Joy" UMH 617
"Now the Silence, Now the Peace" UMH 619

Prayer of Thanksgiving

WE ARE SENT FORTH

Dedication and Lighting of the Sanctuary Lamp

John 1:1-5, 10-14

The Light in the World...

The sanctuary lamp is a light that shines before the altar of sanctuaries in many denominations of Jewish and Christian places of worship. In Judaism, the sanctuary lamp is known by its Hebrew name, ner tamid (נר תמיד), which is usually translated as "eternal flame" or "eternal light." The lamp is meant to represent the menorah of the Temple in Jerusalem as well as the continuously burning fire on the altar of burnt offerings in front of the Temple. It also symbolizes God's eternal presence, and is therefore never extinguished. Christian churches often have at least one lamp continually burning before the tabernacle, not only as an ornament of the altar, but for the purpose of worship. In accordance with traditional customs the sanctuary lamp, fueled by oil or wax, should be kept alight to indicate and honor the presence of Christ. The lamp is a sign that Jesus is truly present, looking at each person with love, listening to their prayers, and giving them the grace needed to flourish in life. The only day of the liturgical year on which the sanctuary lamp is not lit is Holy Saturday (following Good Friday), when Jesus is removed from the tabernacle as a reminder to the faithful of his absence when he was in the tomb after his death on the Cross.

*Hymn of Response

"Harvest Time"

Handout

*Benediction

Bishop Elaine Stanovsky

Postlude

*Congregation please stand

"UMH" refers to the United Methodist Hymnal

"TFWS" refers to The Faith We Sing song book

Mark Calhoun, Pastor

Patty Ferdinand, Pianist

~ Greeters, Ushers, and Fellowship Hosts ~

Hill Top Koinonia Group

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We extend our thanks to all who made this day possible and who participated. May this day send us forth to another century in the Kingdom's work.

Roster of Appointed Clergy

1909	H. H. Twyford
1910	Edgar L. White
1910-13	A. D. Welch
1913-17	O. A. White
1917-21	Horace Turner
1921-23	Forest Werts
1923-24	Roy Wilson
1924-27	Harry E. Chappell
1927-31	Herbert J. Frame
1931-35	Charles E. Smith
1935-39	W. P. Jinnett
1939-42	J. Homer Magee
1942-47	Edwin Dover
1947-49	E. Roy Fort
1949-52	James W. Knorr, Jr.
1952-53	James T. Smith
1953-55	Howard L. Robertson
1955-57	Richard A. Kissee
1957-60	Paul F. Ashbrook
1960-62	Wm. C. Starling
1962-66	Loy S. Estes
1966-72	Sidney B. Corl
1972-74	Robert L. Dunn
1974-81	Wm. D. Royle
1981-85	David K. Orendorff
1985-93	Joseph A. Keys
1993-99	Robert Phelps
2000-05	Russell Barber
2005-08	Esther J. Angel
2008-	Mark D. Calhoun

We welcome all our guests. We invite you to note your presence in our worship book and to visit our information area located near the entrance of the sanctuary.

Thank you for visiting!

Leadership Team

Elaine Stanovsky, Bishop	Su DeBree, District Superintendent
Mark Calhoun, Pastor	Christine Pitts, Church Council
Peggy Milner, Lay Leader	Donna McCammon, Lay Mem. To AC
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Don McCammon, Fin. and Choir	Don McMillan, Financial Secretary
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Valerie Lindstrom, Spir. Form.	Dorothy Preston, Mission and Evan.
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"In the Heart of Polson for the Hearts of Polson, proclaiming Jesus Christ and serving humankind in this community since 1909"
(from the 1959 mission statement)

Today's Scripture

"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. "
~ Hebrews 11:1-2 ~

Today's Message

"Therefore, let us..."
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Our Worship Through Singing

"The Lord's Day ~ Mount Calvary"
"And Are We Yet Alive"
"Lord, Listen to your Children Praying"
"For All the Saints"
"Harvest Time"

Special Music

"Come Build a Church"

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