

Grace Presbyterian Church

September 21, 2008



8:45 a.m.

GATHERING PRAISE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

BOWING BEFORE GOD IN PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 6: 6-8; II Peter 1: 3-11; Matthew 5: 1-12

SERMON

"Count Your Blessings, If You Have Any to Count"

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God"

Matthew 5:9

CELEBRATION SONG

BLESSING

DEPARTING IN FAITH AND HOPE

All songs projected by permission: CCLI # 945944

11:15 a.m.

Today we use The Presbyterian Hymnal (blue)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome you to this service of worship where we celebrate the love God has given us in Jesus Christ. We pray that you will experience that love from the warmth of our fellowship, our time of worship, and the peace of God's presence. If you would like more information about becoming a part of Grace, please indicate it on the fellowship pads, or contact the church office.

PRELUDE

"Prelude in D Minor"

J. S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The earth is the LORD'S and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,

**People: For He has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.**

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in His holy place?

**People: He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.**

Leader: He will receive blessing from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

**People: Such is the generation of those who seek Him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob. (Psalm 24: 1-6)**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #487

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDIS DOMINI

CHILDREN IN CHANCEL

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, You have called us to glorify You and enjoy You forever, yet we seek enjoyment in every other way. We confess that we are indifferent to Your Holy Will. You call us to proclaim Your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In Your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in Your way, to trust Your Word and to obey Your Law. Lead us to live lives of true blessedness that we may inherit the kingdom You promised in Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the joy of the Lord be always with you all!

People: **And also with you.**

(The people greet fellow worshippers with the peace of Christ)

***HYMN #298** **There's a Wideness in God's Mercy** *IN BABILONE*

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN #454 **Blessed Jesus, at Your Word** *LIEBSTER JESU*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT *Micah 6: 6-8*

READING FROM THE EPISTLES *II Peter 1: 3-11*

ANTHEM **"Prayer for Peace"** *Benjamin Harlan*
Directed by Bob Vawter

READING FROM THE GOSPELS *Matthew 5: 1-12*

SERMON *"Count Your Blessings, If You Have Any to Count"* *Charlotte Eaheart Hicks*
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God"
Matthew 5: 1-12

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** **The Apostles' Creed**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY **"O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"** *arranged by Barbara A. Kinyon*
Grace Notes Handbell Choir

***DOXOLOGY #592** *OLD HUNDREDTH*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***RECESSIONAL HYMN # 344** **Christ of the Upward Way** *SURSUM CORDA*

***BENEDICTION**

"Wherever you go, God is sending you, wherever you are, God has put you there. He has a purpose in your being there. Christ who dwells within you, has something He wants you to do. Believe this and go in His grace and love and power."

POSTLUDE **"Carillon de Westminster"** *Louis Vierne*

** denotes Congregation Standing*

***Parents please pick up your children from Kids Own Worship!!*

Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 21, 2008

5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm Ice Cream Social

Thursday, September 25, 2008

6:30 pm Great Banquet

Monday, September 22, 2008

6:00 pm Cub Scouts
7:00 pm Session

Sunday, September 28, 2008

8:45 am Contemporary Service
8:45 am Children's Church
10:00 am Sunday School
11:15 am Traditional Service
11:15 am Children's Church
3:30 pm Youth Cookout/Outdoor Games
5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, September 23, 2008

6:00 pm Praise Band
7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

6:30 pm Youth Study
7:30 pm Choir

CHURCH STAFF

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Don't forget!!! The Ice Cream Social is tonight at 6:00 pm. Please bring your favorite ice cream, cookies or dessert.

Wednesday Night Bible Study will begin September 24th, 6:30 pm. We will be studying "Paul's Letter to the Ephesians." The study will be led by Pastor Larry Turner.

There will be a Congregation Meeting on Sunday, September 28, 2008, 10:45 am, to elect the class of 2011. The following people have been nominated: John Dotson, Harold Howard, Dana Jackson, Linda Foster and Debbie Metoyer.

Day Trippers will go to the IMAX Theater on Monday, September 29 to see Sea Monsters. Reservations must be made in advance for the tickets for the IMAX. Reserve your IMAX ticket and your seat on the van by calling Linda in the church office. Admission will be \$8.00 for adults, \$7.25 for seniors, or a group rate of 15 or more at \$6.50 each. We will have lunch nearby after the movie presentation.

Please mark your calendar: The annual Stewardship Luncheon, sponsored by the Commitment Committee, will be held following a joint worship service on Sunday, October 19, 2008. The meal will be catered by Coletta's. Cost per tickets will be \$7.00. See the October newsletter and future bulletins for additional information.

If you are unable to schedule an appointment to have your pictures taken at the church on October 8th & 9th, **Olan Mills has make-up days** for pictures the first 2 weeks of October at **Ellendale Baptist Church**. You may call 1-800-845-1157 to schedule an appointment.

Children's worship bulletins, with crayons are available at the back of the Sanctuary near the entrance doors. If you are unable to locate the bulletins, please ask the ushers for assistance.



REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Our Church Family:

Wayne Gillespie Health Concerns
Jean Jones' husband Jerry Recovering from Surgery
Kirsten Waddell..... Recovering from surgery
Charles McCalla Health Concerns
Virginia Finley Back Problems
Miree Pomeroy Health Concerns
Linda Hunter Broken Pelvis
Sharon & Russell Ragghianti..... Healing
Johanna Patterson, Karen Guerini's mother..... Health Concerns
Ray Haley Health Concerns
Alex Martin, grandson of Virginia Martin Deployed to Baghdad
The family of Dennis Korowin, on the death of his brother.

Our Extended Church Family:

Marilyn Kastner, Beth Turner's sister Broken Ankle
Jeanette Adcock, Ken Hathaway's sister Broken Hip
Doug Joyner, Husband of Lisa Joyner, Assistant Director Pre-School...Healing
Nic Joyner, Son of Lisa Joyner..... Broken Rib
Jamie and Michelle Williams..... Finances
Pam Clark, Frances Kitterman's Cousin..... Health Concerns
Stacy Baily Health Concerns relating to pregnancy.
Joe & Viola Gonzales Health Concerns
Shirley Fortino, Donna Maginn's friend..... Ovarian Cancer
Bill Korowin, Dennis Korowin's brother..... Health Concerns
Sarah Pfaffenroth's step-father..... Healing
Shelby Rowland, granddaughter of Sue Rowland WhiteHealing
Debbie Boren, co-worker of Johnnie Davis Leukemia
To all of our military troops who are serving overseas, or state-side.
The Great Banquet #48 & #49