

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN

(9:00 am Worship)

Children of all ages are invited to come forward for the children's message. Following this time, children 3 years old by September 1, 2008 through grade 2, are welcome to leave for special programs; 3's 4's and kindergarten in Westminster Hall: Grades 1 and 2 in Room 11. Unless parents make other arrangements, these children will be taken to their Sunday School classrooms at the conclusion of these programs. Infant and Toddler Care (through age 3) is available in Rooms 101 and 102 throughout the service.

(11:15 am Worship)

At the 11:15 am Worship Service, since there is no children's message, young children are welcome to sit with their families throughout worship. There is childcare available in the following rooms: infants-1 year old in Room 102, 2 years-kindergarten in Room 101.

CHILDCARE ON SUNDAY MORNING

We provide childcare on Sundays for each worship service and for the educational hour in between. Childcare runs continually from 8:30 am until 12:15 pm in both rooms. Room 102 is for infants through walking toddlers. Room 101 is for Toddlers around age 2 through age 3. Our rooms are staffed by paid and volunteer caregivers.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

CHILDREN AND YOUTH (A complete list of children/youth classes is posted in the hallways and printed on flyers in the back of the Sanctuary).

- 1) Creative Movement and Music (ages 3-5) in Westminster Hall following the Children's Message at the 9:00 worship service.
- 2) Children and Worship (Grades 1-2) meets in Room 11 following the Children's Message at the 9:00 worship service. Children are then picked up by their teachers and taken to Sunday School.
- 3) Sunday School Classes for all children and youth meet at 10:00 am following the service.

ADULT EDUCATION

"CELEBRATION OF RENEWAL: THE FAITH FUND"

Come hear of the Mission Ministry Unit's dreams for the future of Mission at SCP. We will talk through the specific mission efforts we envision supporting through the Faith Fund portion of the Celebration of Renewal Campaign. We would also like to address how we can continue to expand our commitment to service beyond our walls. Join us for this lively discussion in Westminster Hall at 10:15 am.

"SCIENCE VS. RELIGION: IS THERE A CASE?"

Professor Phil Craul continues his three-week series. He follows up today on last week's session on how theologians reason. Also Phil will introduce how scientists proceed in methods of discovery and confirmation. How far can science go in solving our problems? Can theologians do better? Come to Room 10 at 10:15 am.

APRIL 26, 2009

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 AND 11:15 A.M. WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"Let All Things Now Living"

The Handbell Choir arr by McChesney

INTROIT

Alleluia

This refrain will be introduced by the piano, then the choir/cantor. Please join in singing on the repeats.

Traditional Honduran

Al-le - lu-ia. Al-le-lu - ia. Al-le - lu-ia. Al-le-lu - ia. Al-le-

lu-ia. Al-le-lu - ia. Now the Lord is ris'n in-deed. —

CALL TO WORSHIP

Diana Malcom

*HYMNAL No. 111

"Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Deannine Shipman

Gracious God, we are a people who come from many places in life. We come from places of anxiety and pain. We come from places of confusion and despair. We come from places of guilt and shame. We come from places of need and longing. We come from places of joy and celebration. We are a people who lose sight of your claim and our call. We often put on blinders, hiding ourselves from the resurrection life that is right before us. We are not always able to love you and our neighbors as passionately and faithfully as we would like. We do not always move into the places of suffering and injustice with your healing and liberating power. Accept our human limitations, open our closed minds and help us abide in you. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Dan Sharda

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 24:36-48 Page 920

ANTHEM

(9:00) "Praise Him! Jesus, Blessed Savior" -Donnie Harper
Voices of Praise—Jori Sharda, director

(11:15) "Refiner's Fire" -Brian Doerksen
Chancel Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: 1 John 3:1-7 Page 1066

*GLORIA PATRI Page 579

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from the Confession of 1967
God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of God's dealings with humankind. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator. God has created male and female and given them a life which proceeds from birth to death in a succession of generations and in a wide complex of social relations. God has endowed humans with capacities to make the world serve their needs and to enjoy its good things. Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage. People are free to seek life within the purpose of God: to develop and protect the resources of nature for the common welfare, to work for justice and peace in society, and in other ways to use their creative powers for the fulfillment of human life.

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. Please take a moment to sign the pew pad and pass it along to your neighbor, and then pass it back so that you may take the opportunity to greet those sitting near you after the service. Please provide your address and your e-mail address so that we may contact you about upcoming events that may be of interest to you.

CELEBRATION OF RENEWAL Faith Fund

OFFERING

Offertory "Soar Like an Eagle" Dan. R. Edwards
The Handbell Choir

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*HYMNAL NO. 108 "Christ is Alive"

SERMON "Recognizing Ourselves" Diana Malcom

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS Kim Hunziker

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

(9:00) "In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful" -Taizé

(11:15) "Through Our Lives and By Our Prayers" -John Bell

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE—The Lord's Prayer

*SING THE FAITH NO. 2212 "My Life Flows On"

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

(9:00) "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" -Barbara Boertje

(11:15) "Amen" -John Bell

*THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

(please greet those sitting around you, especially taking time to welcome those who are visiting)

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.

YOU ARE INVITED
for coffee and fellowship in the Social Hall
between the Worship Services