

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 29, 2007

8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

Bold type spoken by the congregation

GATHERING. . .

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call To Worship

(from *Psalm 85*)

You have been gracious to Your land, O Lord,
You have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
**You have forgiven the iniquity of Your people,
and blotted out all our sins.**
O Lord, You will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.
**Righteousness shall go before You,
and peace shall be a pathway for Your feet.**

The Prayer of Adoration

You make us glad with the joy of Your presence, O God, and fill our days with Your steadfast love. Day by day You meet us with blessings; night after night, Your steadfast love upholds us. Your glory is great; Your help is unfailing. We bow before Your splendor and majesty, and praise Your name. Through Christ Jesus, our Lord, we worship and pray. Amen.

*The Hymn 477 *“Ye Servants of God Your Master Proclaim”*

*The Prayer of Confession

Lord, as we worship may we hear You calling us to a new beginning. Remind us that the world is not ours to conquer, but Yours for us to serve. Help us to understand that we are not to retreat from the world, but that we are to go into it filled with Your compassion. As we dedicate ourselves anew to You, make clear to us that dedication is meaningless if it does not lead us into paths of service. . . .(time for silent confession).

*The Assurance of Pardon

*The Gloria Patri

p. 579 in the Hymnal

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange this ancient greeting with worshippers seated near you.
Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

Lord, in the reading of your Word refresh our minds so that we may understand with renewed passion what You would have us hear and that Christ may live in our hearts by faith, and be proclaimed in our lives by love. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson: *Hosea 1:2-10*

p. 1023 in the pew Bible

The Psalter Lesson: *Psalms 85*

p. 85 in the pew Bible

The Anthem

Roy Jarnecke, Tenor

The Epistle Lesson: *Colossians 2:6-19*

p. 245 in the pew Bible

A Moment With the Children

*The Hymn 148

“At the Name of Jesus”

The Gospel Lesson: *Luke 11:1-13*

p. 88 in the pew Bible

The Sermon

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Tall Orders”

Patrick Dennis

TO RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD. . .

*The *Apostles’ Creed*

p. 14 in the Hymnal

The Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

p. 16 in the Hymnal

The Service of Offering

The Gathering of Our Gifts

The Offertory

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Doxology, p. 592 in the Hymnal

Abounding in hope, we come before You, O God; You are deliverance and life divine. You build a storehouse of goodly blessings and set us within it to sample Your love. Whatever our needs, You meet them completely. You surround us with Your compassion and care. Receive the offerings that we lay before You. We dedicate all our possessions to Your continuing glory.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD’S NAME.

*The Hymn 555

“Now Thank We All Our God”

*The Charge and Benediction

*The Postlude