

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 2, 2005

World Communion

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

Bold type spoken by the congregation

THE PEOPLE GATHER. . .

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit *“Comfort, Comfort Ye My People”*

The Call To Worship (from Psalm 19)

The heavens are telling the glory of God and the
firmament proclaims God’s handiwork.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.

Stand in awe of God for God’s law and love endure forever.

**O God let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our
hearts be acceptable in your sight.**

The Prayer of Adoration

As we look at the heavens, the stars shine forth to herald your presence. The sun exudes the warmth of your love. The vastness reminds us we cannot escape from your presence. You are above and beyond us, yet you choose to dwell with us. In Christ you promise you’ll be with us throughout whatever befalls us. You will strengthen us in whatever needs we may have. As your voice goes out through all the earth and your words to the ends of the world, may our voices resound now as we give you all thanks and praise. Glory to you, O God – Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of all. Amen.

*The Hymn 229 *“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”*

*The Prayer of Confession

O God, we have no righteousness of our own. We have bent and ignored Your law. Your commandments inform us but do not transform. We give lip service to Your law but seek to avoid its implication for our lives. We recognize some of our errors, but many are hidden from us. We devote our energies to accumulating possessions that function as idols in our lives. We depend on them more than we honor You. In Your mercy, forgive us through Christ. . . (time for silent confession). . .

*The Choral Response

*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.)

Stewardship Moment

Seminary Greetings

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The *Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 20* (selected verses)

p. 82 (OT) in the pew Bible

The *Psalter* Lesson: *Psalms 19*

The Anthem

“*O Bread of Life from Heaven*”

p. 613 (OT) in the pew Bible

David A. White

The *Epistle* Lesson: *Philippians 3:4b-14*

p. 242 (NT) in the pew Bible

A Moment With the Children

*The Hymn 339

“*Be Thou My Vision*”

The *Gospel* Lesson: *Matthew 21:33-46*

p. 29 (NT) in the pew Bible

The Communion Meditation

“The Provocative Nature of Transformational Leadership”

The Rev. Dr. Ken McFayden

AND TO MAKE PROPER RESPONSE. . .

*The *Nicene Creed*

p. 15 in the Hymnal

The Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Dedication

The Service of Offering

The Gathering of Our Gifts

The Offertory

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER. . .

**All baptized persons, children and adults, are invited to participate in *The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper*.
The Presbyterian Church welcomes everyone baptized in the name of Jesus Christ to come to *The Table of the Lord*.**

*The Communion Hymn 515

“*Now to Your Table Spread*”

The Invitation

The Call To Prayer

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

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

. . . who forever sing the glory of your name:
**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. . .**
. . . Great is the mercy of God:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. . .

The Lord’s Prayer

p. 16 in the Hymnal

The Communion

(As you receive the elements, after a moment of reflection,
you may partake of the sacrament in your own time.)

The Prayer After Communion

GO IN GOD’S NAME.

*The Hymn 419

“*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*”

*The Charge and Benediction

*The Postlude