

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 2, 2007

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

THE PRELUDE Mrs. Joan Pascoe

THE INTROIT The Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison)**

Leader: Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers.

People: The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?

Leader: Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you. Imitate their faith.

People: Through Christ, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God.

***SONG #35** "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

THE CALL TO CONFESSION (Unison)

THE COMMUNAL CONFESSION OF SIN

Eternal Judge, cleanse our hearts of any ill will we may hold against neighbors. When they do not think as we do, we often judge them. If they behave differently, we pin labels on them. We choose as our guests those we deem worthy of places of honor within our households. Yet through Christ you opened heaven to all without regard to their status in society. Forgive our inability to do the same, and save us from all pride and prejudice in our dealings with your children. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Sisters and brothers, recall the words of Scripture. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."

People: It is Christ who said, "I will never fail you nor forsake you."

Leader: So, come to Christ and there find the assurance that in confessing our sin, we are forgiven.

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Daniel 1

THE ANTHEM The Choir

SHARING WITH THE CHILDREN

THE SERMON "Living in Babylon"

***SONG #8** "Change My Heart, O God"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "The Nicene Creed" (p.15)

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

***The Doxology** #544

***Prayer of Dedication**

***HYMN #329** "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN #155** "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

***THE BENEDICTION**

***THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

***THE POSTLUDE**

Hymns have been selected from the BLUE hymnbook.

BIBLE IN 90 DAYS: WEEK TEN

TODAY: Daniel 9:1 - Hosea 13:6

Monday: Hosea 13:7 - Amos 9:10

Tuesday: Amos 9:11 - Nahum 3:19

Wednesday: Habakkuk 1:1 - Zechariah 10:12

Thursday: Zechariah 11:1 - Matthew 4:25

Friday: Matthew 5:1 - Matthew 15:39

Saturday: Matthew 16:1 - Matthew 26:56