

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day, February 14, 2010

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements (Register Attendance)

Meditation

II Corinthians 3:18

"We, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, Who is the Spirit."

APPROACHING GOD IN WORSHIP

Greeting: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship:

Psalm 96:7-9

Minister: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering and come into His courts.

Minister: Worship the LORD in the splendor of His holiness;

People: Tremble before Him, all the earth.

Hymn of Adoration

O Word of God Incarnate

#140

Prayer of Adoration

Gloria Patri

#735

*Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.*

Ministry of Music

Abide with Me: Fast Falls the Eventide

Doeden Male Quintet
by Henry Lyte

APPROACHING GOD IN CONFESSION AND SERVICE

Call to Confession:

Colossians 3:12-14

“As God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”

Prayer of Confession in Unison:

Our most Holy Father, we come before You in confession. We acknowledge our sinfulness and we acknowledge that we sin continually in thought, word and deed.

You set before us the blessings of Your grace and we turn away in honor of our own desires. Forgive us for being so blind, for ignoring Your Word and for choosing the things of time over the things of eternity.

Strengthen us Father in our faith, in our commitment to Your Son and in our understanding and appreciation of Your grace and righteousness.

Silent Confession of Sin

We ask it in the name of our Lord Jesus, Who is the head of the Church. Amen.

Now hear the Lord's Assurance of Pardon

“If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”

I John 1:8-9

Offertory Prayer

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology #731
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him, all creatures, here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Hymn #106
Father, Father of All Things

Pastoral Prayer

RECEIVING THE WORD OF GOD

The Scripture Reading: Psalm 119:41-48
Mark 8:22-30

Minister: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and observe it.

People: **Open our eyes, that we may see wonderful things from Thy Word.**

Children may leave at this time for Children's Church.

The Morning Sermon
Opened Eyes and Peter's Confession Rev. Don Rackley

Hymn of Application Doeden Male Quintet
Breathe on Me Breath of God by Edwin Hatch

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn #139
Your Word Is like a Garden, Lord (v.1-2)

Benediction
Minister: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord look with favor upon you and give you peace through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

Hymn #139
Your Word Is like a Garden, Lord (v.3)

Postlude

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Don Rackley, *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Tim Rackley, *Associate Pastor*

Mike Kanaga, *Assisting Elder*

Kristin Kliever, *Pianist*

SERMON OUTLINE

Opened Eyes and Peter's Confession

The Scripture Reading:

Mark 8:22-30

Point: Spiritual growth and perception are progressive and our Lord expects us to be continually growing.

I. An Unusual Miracle (v.22-25)

A. The Nature of Faith

B. A Healing in Stages

C. The Instilling of Faith

II. Healing With Instructive Value

A. An Illustration of Faith

B. A Small, Weak Faith

C. The Growth of Faith

III. The Miracle Repeated (v.27-30)

A. A Time to Reflect

B. A Powerful Confession

C. An Attending Blessing