

NORTH CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 14, 2009

“Retire the Debt”

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

† All who are able please stand

PRELUDE

Improvisation on *Ellacombe*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

Patrick Lawler

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING IN SILENCE

Be Still, My Soul (vs. 2)

566

A time of silence in which we open ourselves to God's presence, attending to God at the center of our being and in the midst of the community.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God sees with Holy eyes,

People: not what the world sees, but what God sees.

Leader: God sees with Holy eyes,

People: little things becoming great things through faith.

Leader: God sees with Holy eyes,

People: and our lives become a test of faith, not knowing the end, but trusting the journey.

Leader: God sees with Holy eyes,

People: and the love of Christ urges us forward, to live as God calls.

† HYMN

We Sing Your Mighty Power, O God

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† STATEMENT OF MERCY

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Wisdom, we do not see as you see. We look at others and make judgments. We look on the outward appearance, but you look into the heart. Loving God, forgive our shallowness. Open our eyes to see as you see. Open our hearts to love as you love. Help us to see each one as heart of your heart. Amen.

† DECLARATION OF PARDON

† RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Glory Be to the Father

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† THE PEACE

Turn and greet one another with a handclasp, saying:

“The peace of Christ be with you”, and answering, “And also with you.”

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

David Sims

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

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Children, preschool through 5th grade, are invited forward for the Children's Sermon. Afterward, children grades 3-5 may return to their seats to continue worship. Children preschool – 2nd grade may go to LL 11 for Children's Worship.

CAMP COMMISSIONING

Anna Jacobson

Leader: As you go to camp this summer, may you grow in faith as Jesus grew in faith.

People: May you grow in the spirit of God and bear fruit that reflects God's good kingdom.

Leader: May you learn lessons of nature that the earth has to teach;

People: May the friendships you find at camp become for you a comfort and a strength in your journey of faith.

Leader: We remember with thanksgiving all whose gifts of time and treasure make possible our camping program. May you know the joy of receiving their gift and, in your turn, find ways to share your gifts with others.

People: Be safe; be well. Hold us in your prayers as we will hold you in ours. Thanks be to God! Amen.

FIRST READING

Mark 4:26-34

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SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-20

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MUSICAL OFFERING

"Andante sostenuto" from *Symphonie gothique*

Widor

SERMON

Dr. Lanny C. Lawler

† INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Those wishing to become members of North Christian Church are invited to join the minister at the front of the sanctuary during the singing of the hymn. New members are welcomed in a first time profession of faith or by transfer of membership. All forms of Christian baptism are recognized.

† HYMN

We Walk By Faith and Not by Sight

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

COMMUNION HYMN

We Place upon Your Table, Lord

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CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING

Duo

Clerambault

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Introductory Dialogue

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Debbie Van Deventer, Elder

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Persons of all denominations are invited to the Table of the Lord. The bread is received individually; the deacon retains the tray as worshippers pass the loaf to those seated next to them. The cup is retained for partaking in unison following the Memorial Acclamation by the minister.

Memorial Acclamation

Santo, Santo, Santo
(Holy, Holy, Holy)

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Prayer after Communion

GO IN GOD'S NAME

† HYMN

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

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† TAKING CHRIST'S LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

Patrick Lawler

† CHARGE

† POSTLUDE

Dialogue

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