

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

October 24, 2010

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE *Humble Thyself* Carolyn Wallace, Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Joyce Obenschain

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 18: 2a, 25, 27, 46

L: The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge.

P: With the merciful you show yourself merciful; with those who are blameless, you show yourself to be blameless.

L: For you save humble people, but you bring low those who look down upon others with haughtiness in their eyes.

P: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – we thank you for the gifts of yourself, of this church, and of one another. Draw near to us, as we praise and glorify you in worship, and draw us closer to you and to one another, in Christ’s name, Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy* #355

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION ~ From *When We Gather* by Rev. James G. Kirk

O God, we know that to acknowledge you and to hold you in awe is the beginning of wisdom, and to be aware of our sins leads us to repentance. We confess the wrongs we commit against neighbors: the remarks that aim at tearing them down, the actions that exclude, the subtle and not-so-subtle distinctions that “put them in their place.” Forgive us for our love of comfort in a world that is hungry and thirsty. Help us to amend our ways, through the intercession and guidance of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

(Silent prayer and personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Hear the good news: Christ delivers those who are truly sorry and repent of their sins, interceding on their behalf before the judgment seat of Almighty God.

P: Christ cleanses us and clothes us in his righteousness, making us fit to dwell in God’s heavenly dominion.

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI**

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ANTHEM *Seek First the Kingdom of God* Chancel Choir

CHILDREN’S LESSON *(Preschool through 2nd grade children may be led to Junior Church following the children’s message. Older children’s bulletins are in the vestibule.)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

1st OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ 2 Chronicles 7: 12, 14 ~ Page 378 in the pew Bible

Then the LORD appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: “I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. . . . If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”

2nd OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Isaiah 66: 1-2 ~ Page 645 in the pew Bible

Thus says the LORD: “Heaven is my throne and the earth is my footstool; what is the house which you would build for me, and what is the place of my rest? All these things my hand has made, and so all these things are mine, says the LORD. But this is the person upon whom I will look: the one who is humble and contrite in spirit, and trembles at my word.”

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Luke 18: 9-14 ~ Page 911 in the pew Bible

He [Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and despised others: “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Philippians 2: 1-4 ~ Page 1023 in the pew Bible

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any incentive of love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfishness or conceit, but in humility count others better than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “One Can Be Sincerely Wrong” Rev. Frank Wyche

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles’ Creed* Inside front cover of hymnal

*HYMN *Just As I Am* #488

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Change My Heart, O God*

*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER AND **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (...debts/debtors...)

*HYMN *I Am Thine, O Lord* #552

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *Benediction: May You Grow* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE *Rise Up, O Saints of God* Carolyn Wallace

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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Current Session

Class of 2010
Jon Arneson
Glenn Mader
Jeff Simmons
Fred Smiley
Joan Wright

Class of 2011
Jan Botkin
Lorrie Dean
Frank Henderson
Larry Mayer
Lora Turnage

Class of 2012
Hannah Bush
Tom Cook
Theresa Moore
Martha Sieck



The Tax Collector and the Pharisee, based on Luke 18:9-14, a woodcut by German artist Julius Schnorr von Carolsfeld (1794-1872), from his book, *The Bible in Pictures* (1851-1860).

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