

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ~ *On Eagle's Wings* ~ Michael Joncas

***DOXOLOGY** #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER AND **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

***CLOSING HYMN** *Take Time To Be Holy* #656

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *Amen* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE *Voluntary in C* ~ J.C. Beckel Jeremy Schroeder

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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YOU CAN HELP as Hebron carries out its ministries of service, work and worship! The Congregational Ministries Committee continues to seek volunteers who might on occasion provide transportation to doctors' or hospital appointments or visits. Also, our church secretary, Tamme Flory, is seeking the names of people who would be willing to work in the church office (mostly answering the telephone, and/or running bulletins on a Friday) whenever she is on vacation or otherwise absent from work.

If you can volunteer to provide transportation, or if you could work as an office volunteer, or if you would like to work on any church ministry or project, please contact the church office at 885-1648.

OUR HUNGER OFFERING will be received next Sunday. Please continue to remember SACRA each Sunday with one food item per family.



Matthew 13:24-30

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July 20, 2008 ~ 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Order of Service for the Worship of God

July 20, 2008

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10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE *In the Secret* ~ Andy Park Jeremy Schroeder, Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Jon Arneson

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *The Lord Is in His Holy Temple* Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 85: 8-13

L: To let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people,
to his saints, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

**P: Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that glory
may dwell in our land.**

L: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

**P: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will
look down from the sky.**

L: Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

P: Righteousness will go before him, and make his footsteps a way.

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER** ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

**Almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – we thank you for planting in us the
seed of your living Word, Jesus Christ. By the Holy Spirit, help us to receive your
Word with joy, and live according to Him, so that we may grow in faith and hope and
love; we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***HYMN** *Sing Praise To God Who Reigns Above* #97

CALL TO CONFESSION ~ Psalm 25: 6, 11, 16-18

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

**We confess, O God, that our lives are a mixture of weeds and good seeds. We ad-
mire the good seeds and want to nourish them; but we still allow the weeds to grow in
our lives, choking us and limiting our will to respond. When the harvest comes, we
know that the good seed will be kept, and all else will be judged unfit for your king-
dom. Christ have mercy upon us as we learn of your will. Give us guidance and deter-
mination as we obey your commands. Forgive our misplaced allegiance when we settle
for weeds. Lead and equip us to cultivate and to spread the good seed of your word.**

(Silent prayer and personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON ~ 1 Timothy 1:15a, Colossians 2:13

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

I Then Shall Live

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S LESSON (*Children's bulletins are in the vestibule.*)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43 ~ Page 847-848 in the pew Bible

Another parable he [Jesus] put before them [the crowds], saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while people were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then has it weeds?' He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he said, 'No; lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "He who sows the good seed is the Son of man; the field is the world, and the good seed means the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. The Son of man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and throw them into the furnace of fire; there men will weep and gnash their teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever who has ears, let them hear."

SECOND GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 7: 21-23 ~ Page 840-841 in the pew Bible

[Jesus said] "Not every one who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you evildoers.'"

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "The Parable of the Tares and the Wheat" Rev. Frank Wyche

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of Hymnal

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* #797