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The Celebration of Worship Communion Sunday Children's Sabbath/Pentecost

May 23, 2010

8:45 and 11:00 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.

Large print hymnals, Bibles and hearing devices, as well as information about child care and other church programs are available from any usher.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.

Clipboards for younger children and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances, and children's Bibles are available in the pews.

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand if it is comfortable for you to do so.

We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
May my meditation be pleasing to Him,
for I rejoice in the Lord.

from Psalm 104

VOLUNTARY

O Spirit of Life
Fred Gaul, organist

David M. Cherwien

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Presby Thespies

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE 319

Spirit

SPIRIT

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Barbara Hopta

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Claire Butler

O God, we build cities for ourselves. We seek fame and fortune.

Forgive us:

when we rush through our days with unseeing eyes, stopped-up ears, and dulled emotions;
when we demand proof of Your existence but ignore the work of Your hands;
when Your Holy Spirit is unreal to us because we insist on being in charge.

Have mercy on us, Lord, and save us from ourselves.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so you may greet each other by name.

Visitors are invited to wear the button found in the friendship pad.

(Children may come forward for the baptism.)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

For Addison Grace Higginbotham, daughter of Monica and Ryan Higginbotham.

Leader: Keep me, keep me as the apple of the eye:
Hide me, hide me in the shadow of Thy wings.

People:

Keep me, keep me as the ap - ple of the eye: *Fine*
hide me, hide me in the sha - dow of Thy wings.

Leader: Keep me,

People:

Keep me,

Leader: Hide me;

People:

Hide me;

Welcome by congregation

Addison, with joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church.

As we are all one in Christ, we promise to love, cherish and support you,

to share the good news of the Gospel with you, and to help you to know and follow Christ.

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*HYMN 314

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

BRIDEGROOM

We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Austin Susman (8:45) Kurt Suter (11:00)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*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.*

We Give Thanks to God

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory Anthem

Followers of the Lamb

*text and tune: Shaker, 1847
arr. Philip R. Dietterich*

O children, ain't you happy? O children, ain't you happy? O children, ain't you happy, ye followers of the Lamb?

Sing on, dance on, followers of Emanuel! Sing on, dance on, ye followers of the Lamb!

O brethren, ain't you happy? O brethren, ain't you happy? O brethren, ain't you happy, ye followers of the Lamb?

O sisters, ain't you happy? O sisters, ain't you happy? O sisters, ain't you happy, ye followers of the Lamb?

O I'm glad I am a Christian. I'm glad I am a Christian. I'm glad I am a Christian, ye followers of the Lamb.

O, I mean to be obedient. I mean to be obedient. I mean to be obedient, ye followers of the Lamb.

The Music of the Angels and the Geneva Choir

*Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Austin Susman

God of wind and fire, may new life be breathed into the world
because of these gifts we return to You.

Grant us the ability to carry Your revelation to others in ways they can understand.

Help us be channels of Your love and peace to one another,
both in person and through the outreach of our offerings. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-21, Pew Bible, NT p. 119

Barbara Hopta

SERMON

Barbara Hopta

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Come Just As You Are
(See insert)

Joseph Sabolick

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Salutation: The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Sursum Corda: Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Sanctus: *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Hosts! Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory!
Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High!*

Eucharistic Prayer and 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.

Distribution of the Elements

(Gluten-free wafers are located in the center of each bread plate.)

Anthem for Communion

The Beatitudes

Richard Avery, Donald Marsh

*O how blessed are the poor in spirit. Theirs is the kingdom of heaven
And how blessed are the sad and mournful. They'll be consoled by God.*

*Blessed and happy we shall be. Listen to the Master's Word!
Soon the Kingdom's coming—watch and see: the Kingdom of the Lord.*

*O how blessed are the meek and humble. They will inherit the earth.
And how blessed those who hunger for goodness. They all will feast with God.*

*O how blessed are the mercy givers. Such mercy they will receive.
And how blessed are the pure in heart. They surely will see God.*

*O how blessed are the true peacemakers. They will be known as God's children.
And how blessed those who suffer for justice. They will be honored by God.*

The Covenant Kids

*CONCLUDING HYMN 315

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION

*HYMN OF PARTING

HYMN 540

*God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.*

*VOLUNTARY

Fanfare on Lenox
Fred Gaul, organist

arr. James Boeringer

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Reminder: please return your hearing devices at the end of the service this morning.

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• *Restrooms and water fountains* are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel - please
• accompany children.

• *Childcare:* Nursery and Rooms 113 and 114

• *Elder Visitation:* Kay Lamb, Tom Marchio, Jim McCain, Bryson McCain

• *The flowers in the Sanctuary today* remind us that the Holbrook family has given a contribution to the
• Hunger Fund for the glory of God and in loving memory of George Holbrook, Nancy Holbrook, Frances
• Holbrook and Dell W. and Nita Orth.

• *Greeters today are:* Neva Jo and Willis Adams, Barbara Gessner, Ruth Pitchford

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• **THANK YOU!**

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