

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 20, 2008

9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fairfax Fair

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION:

Prelude in C Major from the Well-Tempered Clavier Book I J. S. Bach
Alice Cash, Piano

INTROIT: (9:30) Hymn No. 147: Blessing and Honor O Quanta Qualia
Amanda Boyd, Soprano; Robin Sutherland, Mezzo-Soprano;
Rob Carlson, Tenor; Edward Caruthers, Baritone
(11:00) We Praise You for the Sun Allan Mahnke
Chapel Choir
Lola Carroll, Director; Mary Rapiere, Piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

9:30 Judy Stubbs / 11:00 Melissa Head

Leader: By God's great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

People: *Once we were no people; now we are God's people.*

Leader: Once we had not received mercy, but now we have.

People: *We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.*

ALL: *As God's own people, let us worship God who called us out of darkness and into God's marvelous light!*

† **HYMN NO. 417:** Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation Regent Square
Robert Lee, Organ

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of all nations, God of all peoples, you love us with a steadfast love and nurture us with grace that helps us grow. Despite your goodness to us, we confess our self-doubt. We strike out at others to build ourselves up. We devalue our efforts and fail to act boldly on your behalf. In ways both subtle and obvious we judge and condemn our fellow human beings, all of whom are your beloved children. Help us love one another and ourselves as you love us. We ask it in Christ's name.

Silent Prayers

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is without season or end. It is not shown to the deserving but to the repentant, it is ours in Jesus Christ, through whom our sins are forgiven. Let us accept God's forgiveness and know God's peace.

People: *Alleluia! Amen.*

† **RESPONSE**, Hymn No. 317:

Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness [Stanza 2] Geneva

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

HYMN NO. 498: Child of Blessing, Child of Promise Kingdom

HYMN No. 304: Jesus Loves Me! Bible Buddies may leave at this time.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION 9:30 Mike Kirk / 11:00 Joe Argabrite

OLD TESTAMENT: Psalm 33:1-9 (page 507)

One: Through these words, may we hear the Word of God.

ALL: *Thanks be to God.*

ANTHEM: With a Voice of Singing Martin Shaw
Holly Knott, Conductor
(9:30) Chancel Choir Ensemble / (11:00) Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT: I Peter 2:4-10 (page 233)

SERMON: "God's People" Dr. Fair

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (9:30) *The Apostles' Creed*
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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 20, 2008

THE FLOWERS TODAY are given by the Decker family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Frayna DeLeeuw, Ann's mother, and Louis Decker, Bob's father, whose birthdays would have been this week.

THIS MORNING at the 11 o'clock service, Rev. Melissa Head will baptize Charlize Jayden Garner, born August 19, 2007 to Charlie and Jody Garner.

GREETERS this morning for 9:30 are Scotty Martin, Chester and Joyce Newhall; greeter for 11:00 is Martha Anne Cornwell.

USHERS this morning for 9:30 are Mary Ellen Harned, Wayne Brown and Brenda Kee, Steve Makela, and Margaret Seay; ushers for 11:00 are Jesse and Margaret Turley, Rod Brown, Hal Hauck, Woodford Henegar, Steve Holmes, and Randy Shew.

SPECIAL THANKS to Amanda Boyd, Rob Carlson, Edward Caruthers, Lola Carroll, Alice Cash, Dorissa Falk, Holly Knott, Robert Lee, Mary Rapier, and Robin Sutherland for blessing us in worship with their musical leadership this morning.

THE ISSUES CLASS invites you to join them each Sunday at 9:30 a.m., in the dining hall.

April 20: Dewey Hensley, Principal of J. B. Atkinson Elementary School, will speak about the effects of poverty on education and catch us up on the happenings at Atkinson. Highland has a long-standing volunteer presence at Atkinson, with ten members currently reading with students.

April 27: Congressman Ron Mazzoli will speak on "The Political Landscape for Spring 2008."

May 4 – NO ISSUES CLASS.

May 11: Phyllis EagleTree, church member/photographer/writer, will speak about "Choices and Fulfillment" based on her book, *Roll the Wheel: The Abundant Life and Wisdom of Mae Phillips*.

THE OFFERTORY at the 9:30 a.m. service is by Alice Cash. She states: *I wrote it the Spring after my father died (December '99) and it includes bits of "Morning Has Broken," "This is my Father's World" "Jesus Loves the Little Children" and "Jesus Loves Me."*

CONFIRMANDS who met with and were received by the Session at its meeting on April 16 are: Meagan Anderson, Dani Lacy, Ryan Perry, Maren Schikler, and Lenna Soltau.

PRAYER LIST -- Please remember in your thoughts and prayers Paul Frelick (hip replacement), John Goldsborough, and all others who are dealing with long-term illnesses and grief.

A SPRING CELEBRATION by our Children's Choirs will take place in the sanctuary this Wednesday, April 23, at 6:30 p.m. The children have been working hard to prepare this evening that marks the end of our Children's Music Ministry season. Hope to see you there!

HYMNODY TODAY – The opening [#417 - Christ Is made the Sure Foundation] is based on three passages from scripture: I Peter 2:5, Revelation 21, & Ephesians 2:20. The author is unknown and the text comes from the sixth to eighth centuries. The tune, REGENT SQUARE, was composed by Henry Thomas Smart. The hymn of commitment [#155 - Rejoice, the Lord Is King] was written by Charles Wesley and published in 1744. The text is based on Philippians 4:4. The tune, DARWALL'S 148TH, was composed by John Darwall and published in 1770 to a different text. The closing hymn [#483 - Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above] was written by Johann Jacob Schütz and published in 1675. The tune, MIT FREUDEN ZART, was published in 1566. Its composer is unknown.

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MEN'S BREAKFAST meets every Thursday morning at 7:00. (Reservations are only needed for the first Thursday of each month.) Please join us for breakfast, prayer and fellowship with your friends.

LIKE JACOB'S WELL, the history book of Highland Presbyterian Church written by Bill and Linda Raymond Ellison, has arrived! The book contains 280 pages, 160 historic photos and illustrations, and 50 color pictures of our 125th anniversary celebration. This is the story of our church, its people and their relationship with their world. Its stories include some surprising people with whom we worship every week. You can pick up your copy (or copies) in the Fellowship Hall today or in the church office during the week. Cost is only \$25.

THE GOSPEL CHOIR returns on Sunday, May 18, to lead both services. Rehearsals begin Sunday, April 27 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please contact Frank Heller at 451-2910, ext 239 or fahiii@aol.com to participate or for more information!!!

ARE YOU NUTS?? If so, then please join the rest of us who've got "Nicaragua Under the Skin." We're looking for people who want to help us fulfill the partnership commitment that HPC has made to the tiny village of Mirazul del Llano. (Participating in this group does NOT commit you to go on the next mission trip!) If you've got enthusiasm, a sense of adventure, great fundraising ideas, or just acute curiosity, please let Lloyd or Stacy Croft know you want to get involved: 485-1246 or stacyc@insightbb.com.

EIGHT MEMBERS OF THE CALVIN CHOIR with Paul and Mary Suh and Frank Heller are in Columbia, TN at First Presbyterian Church leading worship and completing a choir exchange with their youth choir. Please pray for their safe travels and that God's spirit will abound in them as they reach out to others through their ministry of music. As a part of their weekend, they will work on a Habitat House and share fellowship with the Kings' Daughters School, a boarding school for mentally and physically challenged children and youth.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – The theme for this year's Vacation Bible School is "Rainforest Adventure." The Adventure can be enjoyed by potty-trained 3's through 5th graders, and registration forms are now available through the church office or on Sunday mornings. Volunteers are asked to contact Ann Holmes, 452-1444, or Shannon Brunner, 896-6073.

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR of Second Presbyterian Church (3701 Old Brownsboro Road) invites you to a free concert, **Requiem** by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart on Sunday, April 27, at 3:00 p.m.

HCM HAS BEEN AWARDED two weekly season tickets to the 37th Ryder Cup at Valhalla Golf Club, Tuesday-Sunday, September 16-21. Each weekly season ticket allows access to the grounds all six days of the event, a copy of the official Ryder Cup journal, as well as off-site parking and shuttle service to the event. All monies raised will go to support the services of HCM, and the silent auction bidding starts at \$900. If interested in bidding on these two tickets, please email hcmexecu@hotmail.com, or call 451-3695. The deadline for bidding is May 15.

PRESBYTERIAN COMMUNITY CENTER HALL OF FAME Induction Ceremony and Awards Celebration will be held Thursday, May 15, in the Grand Ballroom of the Galt House. This year's theme, "Revitalizing Our Neighborhoods – One Partner at a Time," will pay tribute to the partnerships and programs that are bringing new life to the communities of Smoketown, Shelby Park and Phoenix Hill. An individual ticket to the event is \$75, and \$750 for a table of 10. To reserve, please contact Marland Cole, 584-0201, ext. 102, or Sonja Gidney 584-0201, ext. 110 or email development@pcclouisville.com.

WEDNESDAY EVENING DINNER AND FELLOWSHIP – April 23 will be our last Wednesday evening fellowship until September. The Children's Choirs will present their annual program at 6:30 p.m. Please make your reservations for dinner by filling out the form below and dropping it in the offering plate.

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Reservations for Wednesday Dinners

Please make reservations for _____ adults, _____ children (12 and under) (____ vegetarian meals), for ____ April 23.

Name _____