

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 4, 2011

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GATHERING: (A time to meet, greet and welcome one another.)

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CHIMES (The chimes call us to silent readiness.)

*INVOCATION

*HYMN "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" #77

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; that we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength; and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We ask you, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us amend what we are, and in your mercy to direct what we shall be; so that we may from now on walk in the way of your commandments and do what is pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(now follows a brief time for silent, personal confession)

DECLARATION OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

Hymnal #733

*RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 57:12-16

Leader: [God says,] I will concede your righteousness and your works, but they will not help you.

People: When you cry out, let your collection of idols deliver you! The wind will carry them off, a breath will take them away.

Leader: But whoever takes refuge in me shall possess the land and inherit my holy mountain.

People: It shall be said, "Build up, build up, prepare the way, remove every obstruction from my people's way."

Leader: For thus says the high and lofty one who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with those who are contrite and humble in spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

People: For I will not continually accuse, nor will I always be angry; for then the spirits would grow faint before me, even the souls that I have made.

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST
Please sign the Ritual of Friendship Card

SPECIAL MUSIC Sue Leyendecker, soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 34:11-22 p441, LP471
Liturgist: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S TIME

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Matthew 7:13-29 p788, LP6

SERMON: "Refuge"

*CONFESSION OF FAITH: Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

Q. What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

A. That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven, not a hair can fall from my head; indeed that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

"The Nicene Creed" (see insert)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY Hymn #34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN "How Firm a Foundation" #411

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (see insert)

*HYMN "There Is a Redeemer" #117

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.

*Congregation is invited to stand if able.

**PLEASE JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS FOR REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP
AFTER WORSHIP**

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F E L L O W S H I P**

R	Head Usher:	Dave Ruhnke
V	Greeters:	Michelle Bucy, Kailyn & McKenna Ohm
I	Ushers:	Andrew Thostenson, Erin & Evan Thostenson
C	Nursery:	Melanie Hansen
E	Coffee:	Melanie Hansen, Nancy Kassman, Toni Stith, Mayim Stith, Joram Stith, Gayle Thostenson

FOR OUR VISITORS

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES

Assisted listening devices are available in the back of the church, or ask an usher. Large print bulletins and songs are available in the back of the church, or ask an usher.

ROOM LOCATIONS

The nursery is on the same level as the Sanctuary on the west side of the south wing. Fully accessible Restrooms are immediately east of the Sanctuary on the upper level, and east of the Fellowship Hall on the lower level.

Please Note: Because it has been requested by some church members who have allergies, the Session would appreciate if you would refrain from wearing perfume or cologne during Sunday worship. Thank you for respecting this request.

WATCH OUT FOR NEW TIMES!

Beginning on Sunday, September 11, Sunday School, for ages 3 years and up (that means children, parents, AND grandparents are welcome!), will begin at **9:00 a.m.** followed by worship at **10:00 a.m.**