Service for the Lord's Day

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 2, 2014

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

In words that offer hope to the despairing, in music that can comfort those whose who grieve, teach us not speech, but the simple language of grace. Amen.

Gathering

PRELUDE #429

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

Rowthorn, 1978

February's Hymn of the Month

WELCOME

Kathy Porter

*INTROIT *Lift Book # 68*

"What does the Lord Require?"

White, 1986

*CALL TO WORSHIP

When we seek justice for the other, when we love kindness more than ever, we live as God asks us to live.

When we walk humbly through life, when we offer mercy to those who hurt us, we are the blessing God hopes we will be.

When we are willing to look foolish by following Jesus, when we choose weakness rather than power,

we reflect the Holy One who is in our midst.

*HYMN#422

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Edwards, 1968

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we want to truly live in God's presence, we must live as God's faithful people. Let us begin by confessing all the mistakes we have made, the wrongs we have done, the people we have hurt. Let us confess our sin as we pray, first silently, then together using the words in the bulletin.

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

What have we done to you, Adonai? We dishonor you every time we treat another with disrespect. We shatter your heart when we find it easier to break our word, then to take the risk to keep it. We fill your ears with the gossip, lies, and slander when we speak about those around us. You are wise enough to forgive our foolishness; you are strong enough to overcome our weakness; you are loving enough to heal the hurt we cause to you and to others. Please give us new hope and new life in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY Kyrie Eleison

> "Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

What has God done to us – shown mercy! What has God done for us – forgiven us! This is the good news for all of us.

We will not boast, for it is not our doing. We will give thanks and praise to our Loving God for abundant grace and hope. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the

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Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

ANTHEM

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Chancel Choir

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Micah 6:1-8

Bibles, p.816 / LG. p.1060

Bibles, p.156 / LG. p.203

The Word of the Lord

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Thanks be to God

HYMN #504

"Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"

Friedell, 1957

SECOND SCRIPTURE

I Corinthians 3: 1-9

Thanks be to God

SERMON

"Plant, then Water to Yield Growth"

Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Their prayer and Bible study are part of the church's worship and theological reflection. Their witness is the church's evangelism. Their daily action in the world is the church in mission to the world. The quality of their relation with other persons is the measure of the church's fidelity." This, we believe. Amen. – The Confession of 1967 9.37

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Those who are able may come down the center aisle to be served. If you prefer, please remain seated and the elements will be brought to you. The outer rings of the communion tray contain grape juice and the inner rings contain wine.

"The Church's One Foundation" (v. 1-4) *HYMN# 442 Edwards, 1961

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

"The Church's One Foundation" (v. 5) *RESPONSE #422

Edwards, 1961

POSTLUDE Selected

> (*) Those who are able may stand. **Bold italic letters** indicate congregational responses.

This week's prayers and concerns: Jane & Tolly Dill and Diane Dill, Neil & Mariella Pennal, Jack Clark, Joyce Huggins, Billie Manck, and the staff and leadership of Grace Presbytery.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun.. 02/02 8:30-9:30a.m. **Chancel Choir Practice** Wed. 02/05 4:30-5:30p.m. Kids for God

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What does the Lord require of you but to **do justice...** love kindness, & to walk humbly with your God?

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