Service for the Lord's Day

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 24, 2014

John Hillin

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

There are days when we lament as your world grows more violent, more hurtful, more hateful. Yet, this day, let us start over and say, O Lord, you are our Hope, our Peace, our Guide, our Joy!

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

"Rock of Ages" *INTROIT #438 Hastings, 1830

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to God with all your hearts.

We praise you, O God, for your steadfast love and faithfulness.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"

And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God."

Now who do *you* say that he is?

We gather because we believe Jesus is the Son of the Living God, and we want to be his loyal followers.

Let us exalt the name of the Lord above all others.

We will worship our God with wonder and joy!

"I Love to Tell the Story" *HYMN #462

Fischer, 1869

CALL TO CONFESSION

We are so much like Peter. Jesus tells us what it will take to follow him, and we want to argue. Jesus shows us the way to the Kingdom and we look for another path. Let us put down all that keeps us from following Jesus, as we confess our lives to God. We will pray first silently, then together using the words in the bulletin.

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess our struggle to be transformed into disciples, Mighty God. The desires of the world would shape us into people you would not recognize. The demands of our society pull us away from your heart. Our culture values the rich, the powerful, the successful, but you are on the side of the weak, the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Forgive us, Merciful One, for looking in all the wrong places. Reawaken us with your voice calling us to service; refresh our fatigued spirits that we might boldly proclaim Jesus as our Lord and Savior, and go forth to serve your people, in Christ's name. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY

Kvrie Eleison

#579

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

It is so easy to think like the world, that money will give us happiness, that power will earn us grace. But Paul reminds us that if and when we think like Christ, and live for others, we will find true freedom.

Not only our minds, but may God also transform our hearts and spirits into the likeness of Christ, so we may be faithful disciples. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI 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.

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Romans 12: 1 - 8

Bibles, p.151/ LG. p. 196

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

HYMN #792

"There Is a Balm in Gilead"

Costen, 1989

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16: 13-20

Bibles, p.17 / LG. p.22

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SERMON

"Name? What Name?"

Rev. Candice L. Klein

Responding

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Why is Jesus called CHRIST, that is, the ANOINTED ONE?

"Because he is ordained by God the Father and anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief Prophet and Teacher, fully revealing to us the secret purpose and will of God concerning our

redemption; to be <u>our only High Priest</u>, having redeemed us by the one sacrifice of his body and ever interceding for us with the Father; and to be <u>our Eternal King</u>, governing us by his Word and Spirit, and defending and sustaining us in the redemption he has won for us."

This we believe. Amen.

- The Heidelberg Catechism 4.031

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sending

*HYMN #720 *"Jesus Calls Us"* Jude, 1887

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #825 "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" (v. 1) Dett, 1936

POSTLUDE

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

This week's prayers and concerns Bob Hayes, Debbie Murphy, Syble DeLoach, Neil Pennal, Jane, Tolly, and Diane Dill

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
Sunday Mornings	8:30 a.m.	Choir Practice
Wed. 08/27	4:15-5:15 p.m.	Kids For God
Wed. 08/27	6:00 p.m.	"Trigger" with dinner
Mon. 09/01	Office Closed for Labor Day	
Mon 09/01 thru 09/05	Rev. Klein away	

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"You are the MESSIAH, the Son of the Living God."

MATTHEW 16:16, NRSV



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