

# The Service for the Lord's Day

27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 05, 2008

## GATHERING AND GREETING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### Welcome and Announcements

### Chiming of the Hour

### Call to Worship

Christ Jesus has made us his own!

**The news is good! We join in grateful worship.**

Christ Jesus has made us his own!

**The meal is ready! He invites us to come and share.**

Christ Jesus has made us his own!

**His gift is peace-- with God and with each other.**

**Together, let us worship God with joy!**

### Prayer of the Day

Liturgy of Malabas, 5<sup>th</sup>

Century

Grant, O Lord Jesus,  
that the ears which have heard the voice of your songs  
may be closed to the voice of dispute;  
that the eyes which have seen your great love  
may also behold your blessed hope;  
that the tongues which have sung your praise  
may speak the truth in love;  
that the feet which have walked in your courts  
may walk in the region of light;  
and that the bodies which have received your living body  
may be restored in newness of life.  
Glory to you for your inexpressible gift. **Amen.**

### \*Hymn # 64

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

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### \*Liturgy of Confession (from Psalm 19)

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows forth  
the work of God's hands.

**Merciful God, we confess that we live distracted lives and fail to see  
your hand at work in your creation. Our ignorance and arrogance cause us**

**to misuse what you have entrusted to our care.**

One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to  
another... their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the  
ends of the world.

**We confess that we have failed to listen to the good news of your  
love. Too often we care only for ourselves and those close to us, while  
forgetting to share your peace to the ends of the world.**

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of  
the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

**We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors, and  
your law clearly shows us our sinfulness. Revive our souls once again; show  
us anew your paths of love, peace and justice.**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be  
acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

**We confess that too often our words, our thoughts and our deeds  
turn us away from you and from each other. Peace is lacking in our hearts  
and throughout our world. Loving God, we pray for your forgiving grace and  
peace in Jesus Christ. Guided by your Holy Spirit, may we be peacemakers  
in our daily living. In Jesus Name. Amen.**

### \*Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear the good news: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:  
Everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

**All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ**

**And has given us a ministry to reconciliation.**

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, that our sins are forgiven.

**Let us live new lives of faith, obedience, joy, and peace!**

### \*Gloria Patri #70

MEINKE

### Moment for Mission

Amber Jacks

### Anthem

“They Shall Soar Like Eagles”

Laura Manzo

Eden Sherrod, Flute

### THE WORD

### Gospel Lesson

**Matthew 21:33-46**

### Sermon

**“God's Economy”**

Marc Sherrod

### Introduction to the Offering

Gracious and loving God, you have given us so much, especially the gift of  
reconciliation through your Son Jesus Christ. You, the God of peace, have  
promised that you will always be with us. Now in gratitude, we bring our

tithes and offering to you. We ask your blessing on these gifts and on our lives so that your peace and justice may be furthered in your world. **Amen.**

**Offering** "God Will Take Care of You" ROSS ANDERSON

**\*Offertory Response** "Doxology" OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

**\*Hymn # 618** "Let Us Break Bread Together"  
SPIRITUAL

### The Sacrament of Holy Communion

#### Invitation:

Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

**They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at the table**

**in the kingdom of God.**

According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

**Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.**

This is the Lord's table.

**Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared.**

**Great Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer [insert]**

**Words of Institution**

**Sharing of Bread and Cup**

**Prayer After Communion:**

O God, through this bread and this cup, you have made us one with you and with each other. May the unity we find at this table be a gift that we carry out into your suffering, divided world. Help us to find strength in knowing that you, the God of peace, will always be with us. **Amen.**

### THE SENDING FORTH

**\*Hymn # 526** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" J.M.

SCRIVEN

#### \*Charge and Blessing

Go out from this table, from this place of peace, to serve a hurting world.

**We go, knowing that the God of peace will be with us.**

Go where there is disunity among Christians, and bring God's reconciliation.

**We go, knowing that the God of peace will be with us.**

Go where there is injustice and brokenness, to bring God's way of peace.

**We go, knowing that the God of peace will be with us. Amen!**

**\*Congregational Response # 557** "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

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**Postlude**

"Postlude Fantasia"

R. THYGERSON

ALL who are able please stand.

Services of Ecumenical Worship

## Kingston United Methodist Church

and

## Bethel Presbyterian Church

~ two communities of faith coming together,  
for fellowship, study and service . . .  
seeking God's peace, justice and love ~

**TO OUR GUESTS:** We extend a warm welcome from Kingston United Methodist and Bethel Presbyterian Churches. We have covenanted together for 2008 to share in worship, fellowship, study and service. We invite you to participate in signing the Friendship Folders (Green for Methodist – Blue for Presbyterian), adding your address and phone number and please note if you would like to receive a church newsletter or a pastoral call. When we pray the Lord's Prayer, we say "sins...sin against us" rather than "debts..." or "trespasses..."; prayer requests can be noted on the cards provided in the pew racks, please put those in the offering plates and both churches will be notified of your request. We are glad you are with us.

Please worship with us again!

#### Kingston United Methodist Church

Rev. Donald Morris - Pastor

Rev. Sue Lynn Johnson - Congregational Care

Regina Little - Program Director

Wayne Duggin – Music Ministry

#### Bethel Presbyterian Church

Rev. Marc Sherrod - Pastor

Debbie Hyder – Parish Nurse

Laura Walker – Music Ministry

Marilyn Gaffin – Music Ministry

The flowers on the altar are given to glory of God in honor and celebration of Lauren and Nathan Shell and their marriage yesterday!