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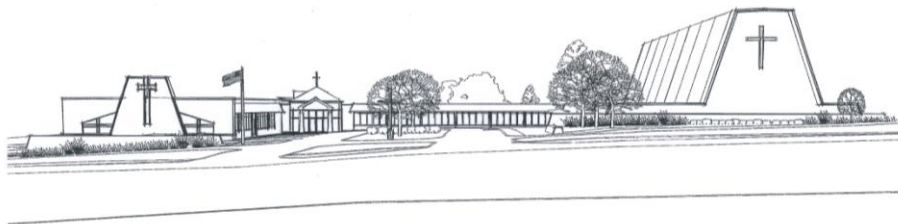
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9:00 & 11:10 a.m.

January 29, 2012

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

11:10

“Prelude in G”

“Ye Servants of God” (Hanover)

Robin High, organ

J. S. Bach
Robert Hobby

As we joyfully greet each other today, and share the gifts of friendship and love, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship at the beginning of the prelude.

GREETING

Dr. Kirk A. Ryckman

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Kirk A. Ryckman

Leader: Come, let us praise the Lord!

People: We praise God with our whole heart.

Leader: God's works are great.

People: Open our hearts and spirits to see your works, O Lord.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord who has saved us!

All: May our lives reflect the wondrous love of God that all may see and know of God's greatness.

(Based on Psalm 111)

PRAISE AND ADORATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 477

“Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

Hanover

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dr. Kirk A. Ryckman

Loving God, whose touch can heal the broken places of life, touch us today. God of peace, whose spirit of peace can quiet our spirits of confusion and despair, reassure us today. Forgiving God, whose call to repentance promises grace upon grace, place your mercy in our souls today. You who heal the sick and liberate the imprisoned, you who bring justice in the midst of oppression and strength in the midst of weakness, pour out your spirit of power upon us today.

Open our hearts to new faithfulness, redirect our waywardness, and hold us gently in your goodness. We confess our need to you, and we turn to you with hearts filled with hope, remembering the promises you have made to us. May your name be glorified in us and through us. Hear these our prayers and hear us as we pray silently.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND PETITION

KYRIE ELEISON



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Nadia B. Mullin

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Moderator: There are different gifts.

People: But it is the same spirit who gives them.

Moderator: There are different ways of serving God.

People: But it is the same Lord who is served.

Moderator: God works through different people in different ways.

People: But it is the same God whose purpose is achieved through them all.

Moderator: Each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

People: To use it for the common good.

Moderator: Together we are the Body of Christ,

People: And individually members of him.

PRESENTATION

On behalf of the congregation, I present these individuals for ordination and installation into their respective offices.

Elder (3-year term)

Janneane Gerot

Diane Holubeck

Don Howland

Marsha Marron

Bill McDowell

Kathy Moore

Darrell Stuedemann

Anna Sumner

Deacon (3-year term)

Jennifer Bennett

Jonathan Fritz

Cindy Garner

Emily Justice

Rich Morhardt

Patty Ritchie

Laura Sykora

Jean Waters

Deacon (2-year term)

Bob Nicas

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Dr. Kirk A. Ryckman

*HYMN No. 454

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

Liebster Jesu

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 1:21-28

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Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

ANTHEM

9:00

“Discipleship
The Sunbeams

Lois Brokerng

What does it mean to follow Jesus? What does it mean to go his way? What does it mean to do what he wants me to, every day? Every day?

I can love my neighbor, just as Jesus said. I can help my brother, see that he is fed. I can show my sister kindness and care. I can show my friends that I know how to share.

I can say I'm sorry when I've done some wrong. I can sing his praises in both words and song. I'll be friends with others who aren't like me. They belong to Jesus: we all do, you see.

11:10

“Ave Verum”

W. A. Mozart

The Alleluia Singers

Ave, ave verum Corpus natum de Maria Virgine: Vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine:

Jesu, word of God incarnate of the Virgin Mary born; on the cross Thy sacred body for us all with nails was torn.

Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine: Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine, in mortis examine.

Cleanse us by the blood and water streaming from Thy pierced side. Feed us with Thy body broken now and in death's agony.

SERMON

“Have You Come To Destroy Us?”

Rev. Nadia B. Mullin

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

***APOSTLE'S CREED** (traditional)

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.

*SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of pow'r and might. —

9 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of pow'r and might. —

17 Hea - ven and earth are full, — full — of your glo - ry. Ho -

25 sa - na in the high - est, ho - sa - na in the high - est.

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

9:00

“Shine on Me”
Carol Choir

arr. Rollo A. Dilworth

Shine on me. Shine on me. I wonder if the light-house will shine on me. Oh, shine on me, shine on me. I wonder if the light-house will shine on me. Is a light shinin' above? Is it shinin' above in the heavens for me? I'm wonderin', wonderin', wonderin' if there's a light that is shinin' above in the heavens for me. Oh, is a light shinin' above? Is it shinin' above in the heavens for me? I'm wonderin', wonderin', wonderin' if there's a light that will shine on me. Will it shine on me?

11:10

“Thou Shalt Know Him”
The Alleluia Singers

Mark Sirett

Thou shalt know him when he comes, not by any din of drums, nor his manners, nor his airs, nor by anything he wears. Thou shalt know him when he comes, not by his crown or by his gown, but his coming known shall be, by the holy harmony which his coming makes in thee. Thou shalt know him when he comes. Amen, Amen.

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, you have enriched our lives in so many ways, especially through the life, love and teaching of Jesus. Bless these gifts we bring as signs of our gratitude and bless us as we seek to be dynamic proclaimers of the gospel in word and deed. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN OF DEDICATION No. 142

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

Coronation

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Go Now In Peace

Lyrics by: Don Besig and Nancy Price (ASCAP)

Music by: Don Besig (ASCAP)

Moderately $\text{♩} = 92$

Voice

The musical score is written for voice in 4/4 time, with a tempo of Moderately (♩ = 92). It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are: "Go now in peace. Ne - ver be a - fraid. God will go with you each hour of ev - 'ry day. Go now in faith, stead-fast strong and true. Know God will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you be - lieve. Reach out to oth - ers so all the world can see. God will be there watch - ing from a - bove. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men." The score includes a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are placed below the corresponding notes on the staff.

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POSTLUDE

“Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux”

Nicholas de Grigny

*(Congregation standing)

January 29, 2012

Welcome. We are pleased that you have chosen to worship at Church of the Cross today. Please complete the Ritual of Friendship form found at the pew end. Visitors, please take a red sticker from the card and put it on your collar or lapel so we may greet you. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join the family of faith here.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS ARE AVAILABLE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE ONE OF EITHER, PLEASE ASK AN USHER. RETURN YOUR LARGE PRINT HYMNAL TO AN USHER AT THE END OF THE SERVICE SO OTHERS MAY USE IT FOR THE NEXT SERVICE.

Headphones Available

Headphones are available for use during the worship services for those who may need a little amplification of the sound in the Sanctuary. They are located in the Narthex next to the North aisle door and the South aisle door. For the best sound, use the headphones labeled for the area of the Sanctuary where you will sit. Help yourself to them for worship, but please put them back at the end of the service so others may use them for the next service.

Prayer Chain

Would you like to be remembered in prayer by the **Prayer Chain** of our church? You may write a request on the **Care Card** you see in the pew in front of you and put it in the offering plate when it is passed, hand it in to the office at the close of the service, mail it to the Church, or call Dixie Williams at 402-895-0710. You may also join the email prayer chain by calling Gerry Reid at 402-498-0507 to provide your email address.

BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are found in the **WORSHIP KITS** located in the Narthex. Each kit has materials to enhance your child's worship experience. Please return your kit to the Narthex after the service.

CHURCH WEB SITE

If you have information to communicate about an upcoming event or committee activity, share it with the public via the church website. To submit information, send your materials to Gail Hille (gailhille@gmail.com) or Paul Nickel (pnickel5@cox.net).

MUSIC NOTES - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

In order for the Jamestown Choir to perform here on March 5th, we need overnight housing for 56 college-age singers. As a host/hostess, you would need to:

Pick up your guests, in groups of 2 or 4, after the concert at approximately 9:00 p.m. on Monday and return them to the church, having had breakfast, by 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday morning, March 6th. Please contact Dana, dana@pcoc.us, or Julie, churchofthecross@pcoc.us. Thank you!

JOYS AND CONCERNS

The flowers in the chancel this morning are given by Larry and Judy Keating in honor of their anniversary.

The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are extended to Bob Knightly and family on the death of his brother, Bill Knightly.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Christian Education

Classes are offered for all age groups on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. A list of classes and their locations is available at the Information Center in the Narthex. All are welcome; you do not need to have previously attended. Try one out!

Sunday Morning Fellowship

All are invited to enjoy a few minutes together in Fellowship Hall following first service, prior to classes, and following classes prior to second service. Light refreshments are provided. Be well rounded! Participate today in Worship, Education, and Fellowship!

LENTEN STUDY SIGN-UP

Plan to stop by the table in Fellowship Hall today where registration forms and books are available! Small groups will meet on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings to study the book *A Long Obedience in the Same Direction* by Eugene Peterson. Copies of the books are now available. A donation of \$10.00 is appreciated. Small group facilitators are still needed. Please contact Nadia if you are interested in leading a Lenten Study group. The deadline for signing up is February 12th.

LENTEN STUDY 2012 – SMALL GROUP LEADERS NEEDED!

Each year, our annual Lenten Study isn't possible without those who volunteer their time to lead our small groups. This year is no different, and we are in need of approximately 12 people to lead the Lenten small groups on a weekly basis on either Sunday mornings or at another time during the week, starting February 19th and continuing through April 1st. Small group leaders are provided with training and a resource folder to prepare and aid you in facilitating the group. If you are interested, please sign up at the Information Center or contact Nadia Mullin in the church office.

CHANCEL FLOWERS

A sign-up sheet is available at the Information Center to sign up for chancel flowers for 2012. This is an excellent opportunity to honor and remember loved ones at special times during the year. The cost is \$25.00; you can pay at the time you order or wait until your flowers are presented. Please note in the memo portion of your check "Chancel Flowers."

49ERS

49ers' February lunch will be on Tuesday, February 7th, at Grandmother's Restaurant, 4712 S. 82nd St., at 11:30 a.m. We'll have fun, fellowship, and food. We'll order off the menu. Call Donna Turner at 402-397-3643 for reservations by Monday, February 6th.

FRIDAY NIGHT GOURMET

Dine out with the Friday Night Gourmets on Friday, February 10th at 6:30 p.m. at Granite City at Westroads Mall, 1001 N 102nd St. You will have a choice of entrée at the time you sign up at the Information Center, or call Bruce and Charlotte Lobaugh, 402-573-1707, or Reece and Cora Conner, 402-445-9008, for reservations. The deadline for reservations is Tuesday, February 7th.

BAKE SALE

Next Sunday February 5th, check out the yummy baked goods whipped up by our Junior High Youth Group to raise money for our first weekend mission trip to Des Moines in May. We will have a large assortment of items available between services in the Fellowship Hall for a free-will donation. Thank you for your support!



VESPER CONCERTS RESUMES ON FEBRUARY 12th

Vesper Concerts will present lutenist KENNETH BÉ on Sunday, February 12th at 3:00 p.m. This FREE concert will feature the music of the German composer Sylvius Leopold Weiss, who was a contemporary of J. S. Bach. Many of you saw and heard Mr. Bé in worship on December 11th. This is an opportunity to hear rarely-performed music on instruments that we don't encounter but once or twice in a lifetime. I hope you will take this opportunity to attend this rare treat!

HIKING AND BIRDING CLUB

The Hiking and Birding Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. on February 18th at McDonalds at 2760 S. 13th St. From there, we will cross the street to visit the Henry Doorly Zoo. All are welcome. Please contact Tom Stalnaker at 402-390-9913 for more information.

Come celebrate Dr. Kirk Ryckman's 25 years as our Pastor and Head of Staff on Saturday, March 3rd in Fellowship Hall! An elegant sit-down dinner will be catered by Abraham Catering Services, followed by a short program. Full details and reservation forms may be found at the Information Center and will be inserted in Cross Currents, as well as on the Church website.

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, February 5th

Isa. 40:21-31; Ps. 147:1-11, 20c

1 Cor. 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39

Bread Delivery – Sunday, January 29th – Pam Otto

Information Center 9:00 – Denise Ewing 11:10 – Sue Jenkins

Childcare Ministry – Kari Bernet, Jenna Strawhun, Chelsea Fisher

USHERS

9:00
Rodney Adams, Captain
Donna Adams
Matt Will
Dave Pederson
Mary Ann Pederson

11:10
Jim Chapin, Captain
Verl Bunjer
Tuck Bolton
Doug Reid
Pam Otto

COFFEE HOSTS

Larry DeRoin

GREETERS

North Door
9:00
Dixie Williams
11:10
Aaron and Carey Ford

South Door
9:00
Julie Buehler
11:10
Naomi Rueb

CALENDAR

Sunday, January 29
9:00 & 11:10 Worship
10:00 Education
4-6 Junior High
4:00 Senior High

Monday, January 30
10:00 Staff
5:30 Congregational Life

Tuesday, January 31
1:00 Tuesday Study Bunch

Wednesday, February 1
4:45 Cornerstone
6:30 PieceMakers
6:30 Chamber Singers
7:00 Alleluia Singers

Thursday, February 2
6:45 Carillon Choir

Friday, February 3
Junior High Lock-In

Sunday, February 5
9:00 & 11:10 Worship/Communion
10:00 Education
 Cross Currents

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