

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2005 New Garden Road Greensboro, NC 27410 Phone 288-5177

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 5, 2010

SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Make your face shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes.
Psalm 119: 135

Gathering of the People of God

Prelude

Prelude on "Holy Manna"

Haan

The Prelude is meant to be a time of quiet reflection as we prepare for worship.

Welcome and Announcements

*Greeting

*Introit

"Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone"

(sung to "Amazing Grace")

Congregation

***Must Jesus bear the cross alone, and all the world go free?
No, there's a cross for everyone, and there's a cross for me.***

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

Prayer for Concerns and Celebrations

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

*Call to Worship

O Lord, you have searched us and known us.
You know when we sit down and when we rise up.
You discern our thoughts from far away.
***Such knowledge is too wonderful for us.
It is so high that we cannot attain it.***
Praise the Lord!
The Lord's name be praised!

*Prayer of Confession

O God,
***You have given us a firm foundation in Jesus Christ,
yet we have chosen to build in other places.
The things we have made are weak and unstable.
The works of our hands crumble around us,
and we realize that our best efforts are not
good enough because sin is real and we are powerless before it.***

*If you are able, please stand.

Forgive us for thinking we know best.

Heal our pride and mend our broken values.

***Create within us hearts that seek your purposes, so that what we build may give you glory.
Amen.***

*Declaration of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting...

People: God's love and forgiveness is higher than the mountains and deeper than the sea!

*Hymn # 371

"Lift High the Cross"

Kitchin/Nicholson

Hearing God's Word

Luke 14: 25 - 33

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

L: The Word of God, for the people of God

C: *Thanks be to God*

Anthem

"Take Up Your Cross"

Anthony Giamanco

Chancel Choir

Children's Message

*Hymn # 422

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Edwards/Wood

Proclaiming God's Word

"The Luke 1428 Principle"

Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed (Ecumenical)

The Presbyterian Hymnal, Page 15

Giving Thanks to God

Our Tithes and Offerings to God

Offertory

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Martin

Offertory Response

"Doxology"

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Christ, all people here below.

Praise Holy Spirit evermore. Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*If you are able, please stand.

Sending Forth In God's Name

*Hymn (please see insert)	"He Leadeth Me"	Gilmore/Bradbury
*Benediction		
*Benediction Response	"Take Up Your Cross" Chancel Choir	Tallis Canon
Postlude	"O Worship the King"	Haan

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**FRIENDSHIP PADS:** The folders that are passed during the service contain a pad for both members and visitors to sign. Visitors, please give your name, address, and phone number.

**VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME** to get involved in the life and ministry of our church. If you have questions, please either call the church office (288-5177) or drop a note in the offering plate.

**HEARING DEVICES** are available for those who may need them. You may keep the earpiece and reuse it. Just ask an usher for assistance. Please return the receiver after the service.

**CHILDREN OF ALL AGES** are welcome in our worship. However, we have a nursery for children of families participating in Worship & Sunday School. Our nursery is overseen by staff & volunteers. Nursery care is for birth to four years of age.

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Congregational Participants

Scripture Reader Dan Seaman

Ushers Gail & Greg French, Tom Harrison, Hobie Burleson

Nursery Volunteer Carol McKenzie

Sound Tech Charles Layno

Elder to unlock building in September Donna Steele

Bank Deposit Cathy Lee, Melissa Mitchell

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### FELLOWSHIP STAFF MEMBERS

Rev. Joel M. Long  
Interim Pastor

Melissa Mitchell  
Dir. Fellowship Schools

Kate Platz  
Dir. Music

Claire Clark  
Dir. Handbells

John Fair  
Organist

Martha Shannon  
Office Manager

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Everyone is invited to the Dogwood Lobby after Worship for a cup of "Fellowship Blend" coffee offered by the Outreach Committee.

