

**\* THE HYMN 453**

*O Holy City, Seen of John*

**\* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\* THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

*The Uncloudy Day*

Alwood



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Children's Worship Volunteers: Cathy Schreiber and Kerri Markovic

Fellowship: The Chancel Choir Altos

**Morningside Presbyterian Church Staff**

- Joanna M. Adams.....Pastor
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**WORSHIP MARCH 2, 2008**

**4TH SUNDAY IN LENT**

Thank you for making sure your cell phone is off during the worship hour.

**THE PRELUDE**

Walter Huff

**\* THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Christopher Henry

Leader: I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord.

**People: Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live;**

Leader: And everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 489**

*Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

**THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

*\*(The asterisk indicates parts of the worship when the congregation is invited to stand as they are able.)*

## THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you see us as we are, and know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns. We have not always sought or done your will.

We have not lived as your grateful children, nor loved as Christ loved us. Apart from you, we are nothing. Only your grace can sustain us.

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us, heal us and make us whole. Set us free from our sin, and restore to us the joy of your salvation now and forever. Amen.

**A MOMENT OF SILENCE** *(for examination of conscience and personal prayers of confession)*

## THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\* THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (Hymn 572)

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

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## \* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*(Children are always welcome in the Sanctuary during worship. Should you find that your child grows restless, there is child care available. Infants are cared for in the Nursery in Room 105, toddlers 18 months through two years in Room 112. Children ages 2-11 are invited to leave after the **Passing of the Peace** for special classes. Preschoolers are in Room G-11 and K-5<sup>th</sup> grade are in Room G-1.)*

## THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*(Visitors and members are invited to sign the blue friendship register pad and pass it down the pew.)*

**THE FIRST LESSON** I Corinthians 15:50-56 (page 166 in the Pew Bible)

**THE ANTHEM** *Sanctus (from Requiem)* Fauré

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Glory be to Thee, O Lord. Hosanna in the highest. (sung in Latin)

**THE SECOND LESSON** Revelation 21:1-5 (page 244 in the Pew Bible)

**THE SERMON** *People Want to Know - A Sermon Series for Lent*  
VI. "What About Heaven?" Joanna Adams

*And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new..." Revelation 21:5*

**\* THE HYMN 275** *God of Our Life*

**THE OFFERTORY** *City Called Heaven* arr. Boatner  
Jennye Guy, soprano

**\* THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (Hymn 592)

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

**Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,** (Hymn 581)  
**Heaven and earth are full of your glory; Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Communion of the People

Prayer after the Meal