

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

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

**\* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\* THE CHORAL RESPONSE** *God Is Love, His Mercy Brightens* Psalmodia Sacra (1715)



*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.*

- Elder on call: Lucy Ennis 404.378.3198
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- Ushers: Amy and Van Jensen, Guerry and Michelle Mashburn
- Greeters: Bill and Cindy Humphries, Gail Kitchens, and Brad Odom
- Coffee and Conversation Hosts: Betsy and Jim Armstrong
- Counters: Bill Humphries and Daisy Ottmann
- Infant/Toddler Nursery: Katy Means
- Two's Nursery: Kendall Frank
- Preschool Program Volunteers: Betsy Holland and Amy Jarratt
- Children's Worship Volunteers: Kelly and Jay Myers
- Fellowship Hour: Lucy and Steve Ennis

**Staff**

- Joanna M. Adams.....Pastor
- Christopher Henry .....Associate Pastor
- Robert Gray.....Assistant to the Minister
- Walter Huff.....Organist/Choirmaster
- Melinda Sandkam .....Program Director
- Rebekah Diehl.....Youth Coordinator
- Martha Hartzell..... Preschool Director
- Sherrill Terry.....Office Administrator
- Ann Benson.....Office Assistant

**WORSHIP AUGUST 3, 2008**  
**18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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

**THE PRELUDE** Walter Huff

**\* THE CALL TO WORSHIP** Robert Gray

Leader: For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**People: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.**

Leader: How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

**People: I try to count them—they are more than the sand;**

**All: I come to the end—I am still with you.**

- from Psalm 139

**\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 288** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

**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

We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

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

### THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\* THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (Hymn 466)

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

### \* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*(Children ages 2-11 are invited to leave after the Baptism 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 SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Leader: This child has now been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church through baptism. God has made him a member of the household of God. See what love the Father has for us, that we should be called children of God, and so we are. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome this child into Christ's church. We are the family of God for we are all one in Christ.

**THE CHORAL RESPONSE** *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise* Copes

### THE ANTHEM

*Blessed Is the One* Anderson

John Wingert and Tami Giusto, soloists

Blessed is the one who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the Lord, the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of living water that yields its fruit in due season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. - Psalm 1

**THE SCRIPTURE READING** Genesis 32:22-31 (page 29 in the Pew Bible)

**THE SERMON** "Wrestling" Joanna Adams

*Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. Genesis 32:24*

**\* THE HYMN 384** *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

### \* THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

**THE OFFERTORY** *O Lord, Our Refuge* Smith