

*** THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

(Hymn 592)

*** THE HYMN 284**

O God, What You Ordain Is Right

*** THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** THE CHORAL RESPONSE** *Great Lord God! Thy Kingdom Shall Endure* Handel



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.

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Preschool Program Volunteers: Stephanie Boswell, Mary Chapman and Jessica Adams

Children's Worship: Nancy Meehan Yao

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WORSHIP AUGUST 17, 2008

20TH 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**

Christopher Henry

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!

All: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

*** 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

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to 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 139)

To Thee, great One in Three, the highest praises be, hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

*** THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

(Children ages 2-11 are invited to leave after the Dedication for special classes. Three-year-olds are in Room 204; Pre-K in G-11; K - 2nd grade in G-1; 3rd - 5th grades in G-3.)

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

THE DEDICATION

Leader: Do you, the members of Morningside Presbyterian Church, accept these people as your teachers?

All: We do.

Leader: Will you encourage them, pray for them, support them, and honor them, as they seek to lead us in deepening our knowledge of God?

All: We will.

Leader: Let us pray. God of grace, pour out your Holy Spirit on these your servants, that they may be faithful teachers in the church. Give them ears to hear the Holy Spirit's leading; anoint their lips to speak your truth with power. In everything, give them the mind of Christ, who taught in deed as well as in word. Give them joy in their work, and a sure sense of your abiding presence for their work of ministry; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON II Corinthians 1:15-22 (page 168 in the Pew Bible)

THE ANTHEM *As the Deer Longs for the Water Brooks* Sullivan
As the deer longs for the water brooks, so longs my soul for you, O Lord. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come to appear before Him? My soul thirsts for God.

THE SECOND LESSON Matthew 5:33-37 (page 5 in the Pew Bible)

THE SERMON "Saying Yes and Saying No" Joanna Adams
"Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one." Matthew 5:37

*** THE HYMN 339** *Be Thou My Vision*

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 *Trio de Flûtes* Guilain