

**\* THE HYMN 415**

*Come, Labor On*

**\* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\* THE CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Jubilate Deo* (Psalm 100)

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*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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Greeters: Bill Means, Georgia Marshall, Jane Stack,

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Counters: Randy Parrish and Bill Humphries

Infant Nursery: Maggie Adams

Two's Nursery: Dawn Bell

Three's Nursery: Jeanne McCarthy and Emilie Paille

Preschool Program Volunteers: Brenda Fishpaw and Kent Balch

Children's Worship Volunteers: Ali and Ward Howell

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**Staff**

Joanna M. Adams.....Pastor  
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**WORSHIP FEBRUARY 8, 2009**

**4TH 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**

John Morgan

Leader: We give you thanks, O Lord, for you are good; your steadfast love endures forever.

**People: We have cried to you in times of trouble; you delivered us from our distress.**

Leader: We thank you, O Lord, for your steadfast love; your wonderful works abound about us.

**People: You know of our needs before we utter your name; you indeed are to be praised!**

**All: Let us worship God.**

**\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 455**

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

**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

Loving God, you know our weaknesses. Fearful of the future, we forget what you have done for us in the past. We see scarcity where you supply abundance. We complain when conditions challenge us. We begrudge others their success, allow envy to divide us, and live lives unworthy of the gospel. Generous God, forgive us. Help us to remember your wonderful works, trust your gracious provisions, seek out your presence, and strive to serve you well. Give us eyes to see your love at work in the world. By the power of your Holy Spirit, renew our minds, cleanse our spirits, and empower us to serve you faithfully and trust you fully. 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 **Peace of Christ** for special classes. Three-year-olds are in Room 204; Pre-K in G-11; K - 2nd grade in G-1; 3rd - 5<sup>th</sup> 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 FIRST READING** Psalm 147:1-11 (page 549 in the Pew Bible)

**THE ANTHEM** *How Shall I Sing that Majesty* Beaudrot

How shall I sing that majesty which angels do admire? Let dust in dust and silence lie; sing, ye heavenly choir. Thy brightness unto them appears whilst I thy footsteps trace. The sound of God comes to my ears but they behold thy face. How great a being, Lord, is thine, which doth all beings keep! Thy knowledge is the only line to sound so vast a deep. Thou art a sea without a shore, a sun without a sphere. Thy time is now and evermore, thy place is everywhere.

**THE SECOND READING** Isaiah 40:21-31 (page 628 in the Pew Bible)

**THE SERMON** "Remembering Our Way Out of Babylon" Christopher Henry  
*"Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning?" Isaiah 40:21a*

**\* THE HYMN 411** *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

## \* 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** *I Love to Tell the Story* Fischer, arr. Warriner

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