

- * THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Hymn 592)
- * THE HYMN 438 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*
- * THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- * THE RESPONSE *Go Ye Now in Peace* Joyce Eiler
- * THE POSTLUDE *Lasst uns erfreuen* David A. Schack



Christopher A. Henry Associate Pastor
Walter Huff Organist/Choirmaster

WORSHIP SEPTEMBER 5, 2010

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

THE GATHERING

Mary Miller Brueggemann

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

THE PRELUDE

Pastorale Darius Milhaud
Sarah Martin, guest organist

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Juarlyn Gaiter

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
People: **Worship the Lord with gladness.**
Leader: Come into God's presence with singing!
People: **For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**
Leader: Come, let us worship God with thanksgiving and praise.
- from Psalm 100

* THE OPENING HYMN 442 *The Church's One Foundation* (verses 1 through 5)

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



*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 012.
Elder on call: Carolyn Morton 404.760.9984
Deacon on call: Tim Gargis 404.379.4107
Ushers: Van Jensen, James Klotz, Kelly Amanda Lee, and Jay Myers
Balcony Ushers: Jo Ann Bertrand and Sarah Tomaka
Coffee and Conversation Hosts: Anne and Tony Menefee
Greeters: Ellen Brown, Gail Kitchens, Cindy Humphries, and Brenda Fishpaw
Counters: Van Crisco and Mardee Rightmyer
Infant Volunteer: Eleanor Attwood
Toddler/Two's Volunteer: Mary Hardy Holaway
Three, Four, and Five's Volunteers: Shari Tant and Dawn Bell
K-1st Grade Volunteers: Carol and Van Crisco
2nd-3rd Grade Volunteer: Meg Samuel
Fellowship: Leslie and Lloyd Prince, Brad Odom*

Staff

Christopher HenryAssociate Pastor/Acting Head of Staff
Mary Miller Brueggemann.....Pastoral Assistant
Robert Gray.....Assistant to the Minister
Walter Huff.....Organist/Choirmaster
Melinda SandkamProgram Director
Sarah Tomaka.....Preschool Director
Brittney Jaynes.....Children's Choir Director
Anna Best.....Office Administrator
Ann Benson.....Office Assistant
Randy Young.....Facilities Manager
Gus Restrepo.....Sexton

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and merciful God, forgive us. Too often we are as blind people following the majority: It is as though we see no ugly things in your beautiful world, no confused directions in your ordered creation, no greedy exploits in your loving domain. Give us eyes to see, words to speak and courage to see all things made new. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (Hymn 473)

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, Lord of all to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(Children ages 2-11 are invited to leave after the Concerns for special classes. Three through five-year-olds are in Room 011; K - 1st grade in Room 001; 2nd - 3rd grade in Room 003; 4th - 7th grade Room 005.)

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 Psalm 139:1-12 (page 545 in the pew Bible)

THE SOLO *Deep River* arr. Burleigh
Melissa Kelly, guest soloist

THE SECOND LESSON Philemon 1-25 (page 203 in the pew Bible)

THE SERMON

“Life Together” Mary Miller Brueggemann
Refresh my heart in Christ...Philemon 20b

*** THE HYMN 439** *In Christ There Is No East or West*

*** THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(Statement of Faith-United Church of Christ)*

We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God, and to your deeds we testify: You call the worlds into being, create persons in your own image, and set before each one the ways of life and death. You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin. You judge people and nations by your righteous will, declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior, you have come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to yourself. You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.

You call us into your church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be your servants in the service of others, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory. You promise to all who trust you forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, your presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in your realm which has no end. Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. 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 *Ubi Caritas et Amor* Gerald Near