

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

August 28, 2005

10:45 a.m.

Thank you for being here today. We believe that worship is essential to our faith. When we gather, we gather in the midst of God, and His Spirit inspires and directs. During our Gathering Time, we invite you to extend a warm welcome to each other and to our guests as we celebrate the gift of Christian fellowship! May you find the joy of God's love and grace as we share this time together.

We would also ask that in consideration of other worshipers, please turn off, or switch to silent mode, all paging and cellular devices. Hearing Assistance devices are available from any usher.

WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS and MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

*INVITATION TO SHARE IN WORSHIP Genesis 1:3 (adapted)

"Let there be light!" Let it shine in dark places, in moments of pain, in times of grief, in the darkness of hatred, violence, oppression, where there is discouragement and despair. Wherever darkness is to be put to flight, "Let there be light!"

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE *God of Our Fathers* arr. Umphrey
Having experienced the warmth of Christian fellowship, we now invite you to take this time to prepare your heart to encounter the living God in worship!

CALL TO WORSHIP Ramon Smith

We enter this place of worship in search of light to guide our way.
We seek to exchange the time of mourning for expressions of joy.
We come because we have seen the light far off and desire to come closer.
We want to join with others in walking in the light so we may enjoy true human communion.
We worship that our light may shine and draw others to God's light.
In Christ, the light has come into the world, the bright expression of God among us. Let us worship God!

INVOCATION Ramon Smith

*HYMN NO. 60 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD Psalm 119:1-16 Jason Cogdill

RECOGNITION *Students, Teachers, Parents* Jeff Allen

GUIDED PRAYER OF AFFIRMATION Jeff Allen

TIME OF SHARING Leigh Ann Pernell

REFLECTION *When You Thought I Wasn't Looking*
Korzan

COVENANT OF AFFIRMATION Ramon Smith

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor

*HYMN NO. 601 *Teach Me, O Lord, I Pray* DIADEMATA

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Karen Lefler

OFFERTORY *Andante, D Minor* Handel

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS *Doxology* OLD 100TH
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

ANTHEM *How Beautiful* PARIS
Kim Jones

SERMON *Light It Up* Jeff Allen
Psalm 119

*HYMN NO. 495 *Serve the Lord with Gladness* LEE

*BENEDICTION Pastor

POSTLUDE *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* arr. Burson
*Those who are able are asked to stand.

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SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in remembrance of Jerry H. Anthony's birthday on September 1. They are given by his family, Kate Anthony, Kim & Derrick Anthony, and Kim, Bob, Katelyn, Kameron & Weston Byng. He was a loving husband, father, father-in-law, and grandfather.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today

12:15 p.m. Visitation Assignments
7:00 L.I.F.E. Worship Service - Smith Hall

Monday

10:00 a.m. Monday Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 907

Tuesday

5:30 p.m. Yoga Class

Wednesday

5:00 p.m. Media Center Open
5:30 - 6:30 Supper Line Open
6:00 Cherub Choir, Sing for God, & Psalm 8:2 Rehearsals
6:45 Mission Friends, RAs, GAs, Acteens, Challengers
Prayer Meeting
7:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Saturday

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

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Pastor	<i>Rev. Ramon E. Smith</i>
Associate Pastor of Students & Families	<i>Rev. Jeff Allen</i>
Minister of Senior Adults & Congregation Care	<i>Jason Cogdill</i>
Pastor Emeritus	<i>Dr. Charles D. Edwards</i>
Pastor Emeritus	<i>Rev. Wm. Foy Martin</i>
Church Organist	<i>Sheila Hutcherson</i>
Pianist	<i>Teresa Hill</i>
Deacon of the Week	<i>Gary Elkins</i>

**SERVICE OF AFFIRMATION
COVENANT**

Leader: By our faith in Jesus Christ, we are claimed as God's own and brought into a new community. Today we gather to celebrate the nurturing and teaching aspects of our faith community.

Leader: Parents, you have been given the privilege of primary care for your children. At dedication, you agreed to teach and model for them a faith based on scripture, the Apostle's Creed, and the Ten Commandments. Even now as they are given additional opportunities to grow in faith with others, do you promise to continue in partnership with teachers and other church leaders through active support and involvement in specific tasks, modeling a Christian lifestyle at home?

Parents: Yes!

Leader: Teachers, you have accepted the privilege of nurturing children, youth, and adults in our faith community to increase their understanding of God's boundless love, acceptance, and forgiveness through Bible stories and learning activities. Do you promise to join in partnership with others in this faith community to affirm a lifestyle of faith and service?

Teachers: Yes!

Leader: On your dedication day, we welcomed you as a member of God's family and we all said "yes" to helping you learn what that means. But your attitude and your willingness to learn and grow are the keys to your faith development. Do you promise to come willingly to learn and grow with others?

Children, Youth and Adult Learners: Yes!

Leader: At each dedication, we have joined together in surrounding children and their parents in a covenant for faith development. Do you promise to continue your support and involvement?

All: Yes!

WHEN YOU THOUGHT I WASN'T LOOKING
(by Mary Rita Korzan)

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator, and I immediately wanted to paint another one.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you feed a stray cat, and I learned that it was good to be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make my favorite cake for me and I learned that little things can be the special things in life.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I heard you say a prayer, and I knew there is a God I could always talk to and I learned to trust in God.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I felt you kiss me good night and I felt loved and safe.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it and I learned we have to take care of what we are given.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw tears come from your eyes and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and productive person when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I looked at you and wanted to say thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking.