

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

August 26, 2007

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 Psalm 119:9-12
How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word.
**I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands.
I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.
Praise be to you, O lord; teach me your decrees.**

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE *Somebody's Knocking at Your Door* arr. Kerrick
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 *Come, Let Us Sing* Hayden

INVOCATION Jeff Allen

*HYMN NO. 36 *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him* HYFRYDOL

MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD Jason Cogdill
Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6

RECOGNITION OF PARENTS Jeff Allen

GUIDED PRAYER OF AFFIRMATION FOR PARENTS

RECOGNITION OF TEACHERS Jeff Allen

GUIDED PRAYER OF AFFIRMATION FOR TEACHERS

RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS Jeff Allen

GUIDED PRAYER OF AFFIRMATION FOR STUDENTS

COVENANT OF AFFIRMATION (see insert) Jeff Allen

*HYMN NO. 502 *Open My Eyes, That I May See* SCOTT

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING James Cobbler

OFFERTORY *The Story Medley* arr. Burger

*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.**

MUSICAL OFFERING Mary Keltner

SERMON Matt Fore

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

*BENEDICTION Pastor

*RESPONSE *Go Out and Tell* PLANO

POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* arr. Mansfield

*Those who are able are asked to stand.

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Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in our Sanctuary are given in honor of Bud & Kathy Smith's 58th anniversary by their children: Patrice, Suzanne, Mandy, & Scott; and their grandchildren: Katie & Matt Taylor, Kevin Caughman; Ellie Caroline & Cody Lamb; Dyer, Austin, Barrett & Hannah Fox; and Jacob Smith.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today

9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting-College Classroom
9:30 Sunday School
10:45 Gathering for Morning Worship
12:15 p.m. Visitation Assignments
7:00 LIFE Worship Service

Monday

9:30 a.m. Monday Bible Study
10:00 – 12:00 noon Neighborhood Children's Event
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 907

Wednesday

5:00 p.m. Media Center Open
5:15 – 6:15 Missions Council – Conference Room
5:30 – 6:30 Supper Line Open
6:00 *Cherub Choir, Sing for God, Psalm 8:2 Rehearsals, Youth Crosstraining*
6:45 Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
7:30 Mission Friends, RAs, GAs, Youth Discipleship/Missions
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Saturday

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

Nursery Workers Today: Gary & Trudy Elkins, Ben & Lori Jackson, Lisa & Steve Randleman

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James Cobbler



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"A people gathered in Christ; nurtured in His Spirit;
and sent in His name."

**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!

CHILDREN ARE LIKE KITES

You spend years trying to get them off the ground.

You run with them until you are both breathless.

They crash ... they hit the roof ...
you patch, comfort and assure them that someday they
will fly.

Finally, they are airborne.

They need more string, and you keep letting it out.

They tug, and with each twist of the twine,
there is sadness that goes with joy.

The kite becomes more distant,
and you know it won't be long
before that beautiful creature will snap
the lifeline that binds you together
and will soar as meant to soar
... free and alone.

Only then do you know that you have done your job.

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