

THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

January 29, 2012

11:00am

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Before we begin worship, we'll take care of the "news of the day".

MINUTE FOR OUTREACH

Because we strive to become a mission church

+CALL TO WORSHIP

L- *Welcome to mystery and awareness; amazement and awe!*

P- **We are clad in anticipation and garbed in hope.**

L- *We sense Christ in our solitude*

P- **We are liable to be overwhelmed by Christ in community with us.**

L- *We seek comfort from Holy Spirit; and are alert to his challenge.*

P- **Awash in gratitude, full of God's love; we have come to worship!**

+HYMN OF PRAISE 281 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

A TIME FOR MEDITATION

This is a moment of silence while we prepare to confess our sins before God.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess our sins as the people of God, the body of Christ

We live in a world where your will is not done and your kingdom seems to be delayed. We confess our ignorance, our want of awareness to the extent of our involvement in this evil; and truthfully it seems better that way. It is enough to care about what we can see and touch and hold and for the rest, who are not like us, who live nearby or faraway, it is all we can do to muster an occasional prayer or a hearty, "Good luck!" We know this is not your way and we know that we must change. Help us Lord, to be more like you and less like us.

PERSONAL CONFESSION

We confess our sins in silence as those created in the image of God.

Thank you, dear God, that in Jesus Christ you came to cleanse us of sin and give us the power to live lives that reflect your great love. In his name, then we would claim that forgiveness. Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

L- We have owned up to the bad news of our sin. Now hear the good news of what God has done.

P- "In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us."

+PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The forgiven people of God may move about the sanctuary offering and receiving the peace of Jesus Christ.

ANTHEM Joy in the Morning

by Sleeth

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Because we need the help of the Holy Spirit to understand God's Word.

Open us up, loving God and pour into us understanding, compassion, and the intense desire to be renewed in you, and in your Word.

THE LESSONS FROM THE OLD & NEW TESTAMENTS

God's Word read aloud.

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Mark 1:21-28

SERMON More Than A Teacher

Dr. Edward McNulty

+HYMN 360 Hope of the World

THE CREED - The Apostles' Creed,

HYMNAL, P. 14

THE SERVICE OF GIVING

This is the time when we bring our sacrifice before the Lord.

Signing the Friendship Register

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

+DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above the heavenly host; praise Father, son and Holy Ghost. Amen

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

What is on our minds and hearts this morning?

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

This prayer is informed by our Joys and Concerns, but not exclusively.

+HYMN 404 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

+THE CHARGE

+THE BENEDICTION

M- *The Lord bless you and keep you;*

the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

P- AMEN!

+ THE POSTLUDE

A time of thoughtfulness, meditation and quiet

+ All who are able may stand