

COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
February 5, 2012      11:00am

### THE PRELUDE

Preparation for worship; a quiet time to lay aside all thoughts but those centering on God.

### 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

*after Psalm 147*

*It is God who calls out of our private concerns to focus upon God, and only God.*

**L- Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God;  
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.**

**P- The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of  
Israel.**

*L- He heals the broken-hearted, and binds up their wounds*

**P- We will sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; we will make melody  
to our God with all of our hearts.**

### +HYMN OF PRAISE 288 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(From the United Methodist Board of Discipleship)

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

God, our creator and redeemer, you never grow weary or faint but we have doubted your will or ability to care for us. We have said, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God." We have let anxiety consume us and we have let fear paralyze love for the poor and lonely. Forgive us for holding to our doubt. Free us to walk in faith and the strength of your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

## SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

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

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

In this recognition of our mortality, we are reminded of God's mercy

*L-Hear the good news. "Those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.*

## PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

## SOLO

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

**ALL- Send your Spirit into our minds and hearts that we might both understand your word and be moved to practice it. Amen.**

THE LESSON FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 40:21-31

THE LESSON FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT Mark 1:29-39

*God's Word to us read aloud.*

THE SERMON **On Eagle's Wings**

Rev. Edward McNulty

Contemporary exposition of the Word of God

## THE SERVICE OF GIVING

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

The Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

Signing the Friendship Register

## JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

What is on our minds and in our hearts this morning?

HYMN 466 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

## THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

This is not a Presbyterian Sacrament—all believers welcome!

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**M-** *Let us pray. . .*

*And*

**ALL-** We enter the sanctuary of Thanksgiving's month and the anticipation of Advent and Christmas. In gathering at this table, you remind us of how special all this is in our lives and all that it means to us. It is beyond our understanding why we are invited to an event of this importance and intimacy, of love and memory. As we reheard the story of your mighty acts moments ago, and reflected on the significance and similarities of our own stories with Israel's, we come away humbled. We recognize that each one of us counts. That each one of us is precious to you. That not one of us can escape your love. Humbled though we are, we are also very grateful.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

+THE SANCTUS (*Read instead of singing it today*)

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts (repeat)

The whole earth is filled with His glory (repeat twice)

Holy is the Lord.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION OF BREAD AND CUP

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Please come forward down the center aisle and return by the side aisles.

## UNISON PRAYER

**ALL-** We thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit with Jesus Christ, in whom we find renewed strength. From here help us to go and spend that strength to the end that all will learn what we have been learning about you and your love for your creation, and for us, a tiny piece of your creation.

+HYMN 442 (Vs. 1, 2, 4) The Church's One Foundation

+THE CHARGE    +THE BENEDICTION    +THE POSTLUDE