

October 23, 2011 SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 am

Liturgical Color: Green

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Mary Lynn Polk, Lay Leader

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,  
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

**CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

MaryAshlynn Perkey

**PRELUDE**

*Paraphrase on ST. ANNE*

Gordon Young

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Henrietta Morton

Leader: We have come together because of God:

**People: We are created and sustained by the power of God's love.**

Leader: We have come together because of Jesus:

**People: We accept his revolutionary example that shows us what life means.**

Leader: We come together because of the Spirit:

**People: We experience that presence that inspires and blesses our fellowship. Let us worship God through Jesus in the Spirit.**

**\*HYMN NO. 116**

*The God of Abraham Praise*

Leoni

**\*INVOCATION**

The Reverend Mary Teasley

Spirit God, in the beginning you gave life and movement, color and harmony to the universe. Everything moves by your power and is one through you. But most of all you move in the minds and spirits of men and women. You give vision and insight, speaking spirit to spirit. You stir the sleeping conscience, rouse the dormant mind, to seek justice, express beauty, declare truth. Most of all you come in the power of Jesus, bringing love and joy and peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. So move us now in mind and conscience; stir and quicken us with beauty and truth; and give us all your harvest, now and always. Amen.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*GLORIA PATRI NO. 70**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Page 224 (OT) in pew Bibles

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Page 240 (NT) in pew Bibles  
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SOLO** *Great is Thy Faithfulness* arr. Bob Krogstad  
Myra Shaffer, soprano

**\*†GOSPEL LESSON** Matthew 22:34-46 Page 30 (NT) in pew Bibles  
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER** The Reverend Mary Teasley

**LORD'S PRAYER** (In unison)

**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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** *Meditation on an Irish Melody* Gordon Young

**\*DOXOLOGY** *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* Lasst Uns Erfreuen  
***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** The Reverend Mary Teasley

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Myra Shaffer  
*As the children come to the front of the Sanctuary for a special message, they are invited to bring change to help in buying a heifer (cow) for \$500. If any adults want to contribute, please pass your money to a child as they come forward. Following Children's Time, 3-year-olds through Kindergarteners may leave the Sanctuary for Extended Session.*

**\*HYMN NO. 453** *More Love to Thee, O Christ* More Love to Thee

**SERMON** "Keep It Simple" The Reverend Mary Teasley

**\*HYMN NO. 474** *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* Precious Lord

## \*BENEDICTION

Leader : Let us go forth into the new season of our lives.

**People: We go forth into growing and changing and living.**

Leader: Let us go with caring awareness for the world and all that is in it.

**People: We go to discover the needs and opportunities around us.**

Leader: Let us go forth in peace and be led out in joy.

**People: We go in God's continuing presence, with the power to love and  
The strength to serve.**

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE NO. 666 *Shalom to You*

SHALOM

*Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.  
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through your loving,  
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.*

## \*POSTLUDE

†Sermon Text

*\*Please stand if you are able*

*Nursery Provided*

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### Guest Minister

Main Street welcomes *The Reverend Mary Teasley* to the pulpit today. Mary currently serves as Superintendent of the Greenwood District and served as associate minister of Main Street from 1982 – 1986