

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Firm Foundation" Gordan/Harvill

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Kathey Long

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "Lo, I Am With You"

*** CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 121** Kathey Long

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills where does my help come from?

People: My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: He will not let your foot slip He who watches over you will not slumber;

People: Indeed, He who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Leader: The Lord watches over you. The Lord is your shade at your right hand;

People: The sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

Leader: The Lord will keep you from all harm. He will watch over your life;

People: The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

All: Praise be to Almighty God.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder"

*We are climbing Jacob's ladder. We are climbing Jacob's ladder.
We are climbing Jacob's ladder, Soldiers of the cross.*

*Every round goes higher, higher. Every round goes higher, higher.
Every round goes higher, higher, Soldiers of the cross.*

*If you love Him, why not serve Him? If you love Him, why not serve Him?
If you love Him, why not serve Him? Soldiers of the cross.*

*We are climbing higher, higher. We are climbing higher, higher.
We are climbing higher, higher, Soldiers of the cross.*

***INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER (Trespas) and GLORIA PATRI**
(Words to the Lord's Prayer, Gloria Patri and Doxology are in the pews) Kathey Long

CHILDREN'S BLESSING Kathey Long
*Children who are rising four years old through fourth grade will be dismissed to Children's
Worship & Wonder. (An experiential worship experience for children which meets in our
library).*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, and OFFERINGS

Call to Stewardship Kathey Long

Special Music Offering "Your Love Makes Us One" Carslon/Cymbala

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication** Kathey Long

ANTHEM "Affirmation of Faithfulness" Martin

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Edd Spencer

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Hymn "Here is Bread" Chalice Praise No. 161

Invitation to Communion Clarissa Harms

Prayer of Communion Pat Deaton

*(This is the Lord's Table. All believers in Christ are invited. As the emblems are passed,
partake of the bread and hold the cup, offering your own prayer/meditation until after the
congregational response.)*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:
(Taken from the New Testament: First Corinthians 11:23-26)

ELDER: *The Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He
had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is My Body which is given for you."*

COMMUNION MUSIC "As We Gather Around the Table" Blankenship

ELDER: *In the same way also the cup, after supper saying, "This cup is the new covenant
of My Blood. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."*

CONGREGATION: *As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the
Lord's death until He comes.*

SCRIPTURE Psalm 30: 7 Rev. Edd Spencer

*O Lord, when you favored me,
You made my mountain stand firm;*

SERMON "The Christian Journey II: The Mountain" Rev. Edd Spencer

*** HYMN OF INVITATION** "Are Ye Able," Said the Master Chalice Hymnal No. 621

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Edd Spencer

***CHORAL RESPONSE** "I Love You, Lord" Chalice Praise No. 60

*I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You,
O my soul rejoice. Take Joy, o God, in what You hear,
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.*

***POSTLUDE** "I Sing Praises" Macalmon

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June 13, 2010

LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, June 13

9:00 am Sunday School
10:15 am Worship Service
10:30 am Children's Worship and Wonder
11:30 am Ona/Ruth/Fireside Room
6:30 pm Blessing of the Pets

MONDAY, June 14

7:00 am Men's Bible Study on Micah
10:00 am Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Elder Gathering

TUESDAY, June 15

7:00 pm Elder Calls

WEDNESDAY, June 16

5:30 pm Shack Study Group/Fireside Room
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, June 17

7:00 pm Men's Bible Study on John

THURSDAY – SATURDAY, June 17-19

9:30 am – 2:30 pm Sacred Harp Singing Convention



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IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

BLESSING OF THE PETS

This evening we will have a worship service in the prayer garden at 6:30pm with a Blessing of the Pets and a memorial for our pets that we have lost. Bring your family pet, on a leash or in a cage please, and join us for this service. The Fellowship Mission will be serving ice cream, cookies and drinks. There will also be a table of treats for your pets. May our worship tonight be symbolized in the following prayer.

Creator God, You love all that You have made.
Thank You for my precious pet.
May I honor my pet as a gift from Your hands.
This I pray through Your Spirit, who gave us both life. Amen.

LOOKING FORWARD TO JUNE

Tonight at 6:30 pm Blessing of the Pets
June 17-19 Sacred Harp Music Convention
June 20 Father's Day
June 21 Mulch Work Party
June 27 All-Church Ice Cream Social

These are just a few of our all-church moments together. Many other activities such as Worship, Sunday School, Bible Studies, Young At Heart, Elder Gathering, Men and Women meetings, Mission meetings, and other ministries will be happening.

THE PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a prayer concern or a special joy to share, call the church office and ask that it be put on the prayer chain. I will be notified of your request (or Jean Nicholson if I'm not available) and I will initiate the call, which then goes out to all 50 participating members of the group. At that time we form our unseen circle of intercessory prayer for your request. If you would like more information or if you wish to join us in this prayer ministry, please call the church office or me at 822-5645 or email me at claradelcsh@aol.com. *"Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."* (Philippians 4:6, 7)

WORSHIP LEADERS

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Edd Spencer & Kathey Long
MUSIC MINISTER: Rev. Jan Watts
ORGANIST/PIANIST: David Brasher
ELDERS ON CALL: Clarissa Harms & Pat Deaton
SERVING DIACONATE: Gary Taylor, Dan Alderson, Conlee Alderson, Linda Byrd, Jose' Carreras, Nick Cotruvo, Paulette Farquhar, Bob Lamb, Janice Lamb, Connie Tabb, Art Varvoutis, Regena Varvoutis, Ginny White

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP & WONDER:
LESSON: Baptism
STORYTELLER: Joye Taylor
GREETERS: Emily Fowler & Julie Henderson

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen
WORSHIP GREETERS: Bob & Janet Clark
WORSHIP TABLE GREETER: Marquita Sebastian

WELCOME...We're absolutely delighted that you've chosen to worship with us today. You're among friends, here, and we want to do whatever we can to make your visit a good experience for you. We'd also just like to get to know you better. Please fill out the questionnaire below, tear it off, and drop it in the offering plate. And then, please visit us again!

Date: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (Home): _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Age Group: 13-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60 – older

Children:

Name _____ Age ____ Name _____ Age ____

Name _____ Age ____ Name _____ Age ____

Are you a: First-time visitor Occasional visitor
 Interested in knowing more about this church New in the area
 Interested in a visit Interested in knowing more about being a Christian

The Blessing of Pets
Sunday, June 13, 2010

A WELCOME

A HYMN OF PRAISE

“He Got The Whole World In His Hands”

He’s got the whole world in His hands;
He’s got the whole world in His hands;
He’s got the whole world in His hands;
He’s got the whole world in His hands.

He’s got the Dogs and Cats in His hands;

He’s got all the little Creatures in His hands;

He’s got you and me in His hands;

A LITANY OF GOD’S CREATION

Pastor: God’s wondrous creatures fly the skies, walk the earth and swim in the sea.

People: They share this planet with us; we live in a delicate relationship with each other.

Pastor: Earth’s creatures often remind us of God’s gift of salvation.

People: In Genesis the animals are saved from the flood and made a part of God’s covenant with Noah. (Genesis 9: 9-10)

Pastor: The Lamb in Exodus calls to memory the Passover sacrifice and the deliverance from Egyptian slavery. (Exodus 12: 3-14)

People: God sent a giant fish to save Jonah. (Jonah 2: 1-10)

Pastor: Ravens in First Kings saved Elijah with a gift of bread. (I Kings 17:6)

People: Christ’s redemption of all creation includes the animals.

Pastor: Thus we seek God’s blessing upon our animal friends around us.

People: And we ask for wisdom to be good caretakers of all the creatures of the earth.

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1: 20-25

And God said, “Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the sky. So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living and moving thing with which the water teems, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind: And God saw that it was good. God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth.” And there was evening, and there was morning – the fifth day. And God said, “Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: Livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild animals, each according to its kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

THE MEDITATION

THE BLESSING OF THE PETS

Bless these pets, O Lord. They are Your creation. We ask that they may be fed, kept in good health, and surrounded with love. May they have their rightful place in Your world with us and all living things.

Bless them now in the name of the Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit.

A MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

A CLOSING HYMN

“Every Thing Is Beautiful”

Jesus loves the little creatures, all the creatures of the world:
Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in His sight;
Jesus loves the little creatures of the world.

CHORUS

Everything is beautiful in its own way, like a starry summer night,
Or a snow-covered winter’s day. Everybody’s beautiful in their own way;
Under God’s heaven the world’s gonna find a way.

THE BENDICTION

We are all invited to enjoy ice cream, cookies, and fellowship in the Family Life Center following the worship service. Please bring your pets inside for their special treat.

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