

## A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** "Spirit Song" Wimber

### **LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**WELCOME AND ACCOUNCMENTS** Jill Pasky

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Jill Pasky

*Leader:* We gather to affirm that we are all united in God's sacred family;

**People:** **We are each different and unique, yet we are one as children of God.**

*Leader:* We gather to affirm that we are called to love and serve one another.

**People:** **We learn by Jesus' example to love our neighbor in all that we**

*Leader:* We gather to affirm that each of us has gifts to offer.

**People:** **We are members of the one body, each blessed with gifts for God's service.**

**All:** **Let us celebrate and worship as a family of God. Let us celebrate and worship as Disciples of Christ.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "We Call Ourselves Disciples" Chalice Hymnal No. 357

**\*INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER (Trespas) and GLORIA PATRI**  
(Words to the Lord's Prayer, Gloria Patri and Doxology are in the pews) Jill Pasky

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING** Jill Pasky  
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** Jill Pasky  
**Special Music Offering** "On Eagle's Wings" Joncas  
**\*Doxology**  
**\*Prayer of Dedication** Jill Pasky

**ANTHEM** "A Prayer for Tomorrow" Pote  
Kirstyn Rudd, soprano

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. John Mobley

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
**Communion Hymn** "Here at Thy Table, Lord" Chalice Hymnal No. 384  
**Invitation to Communion** Beverly Baxter  
**Prayer of Communion** Jim Baxter  
(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)

do.

**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** "In This Time" Sivis

**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 137: 1-4 Rev. John Mobley

**SERMON** "Being In Tune With The Lord's Song" Rev. John Mobley

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION** "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Chalice Hymnal No. 5

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. John Mobley

**\*POSTLUDE** "Praise Ye" Young

**LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, July 25**

9:00 am	Sunday School
9:45 – 10:15 am	Fellowship Moments
10:15 am	Worship Service with Rev. John Mobley preaching
10:30 am	Children's Worship and Wonder

**MONDAY, July 26**

7:00 am	Men's Bible Study on Habakkuk
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**THURSDAY, July 29**

7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study on John
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**NEXT SUNDAY, August 1**

8:00 pm	Pomona Christian Church, California Overnight Stay
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# First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

*Where The Grace of God Awaits You*



## Sunday, July 25, 2010

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**BASIC BELIEFS OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
(Disciples of Christ)**

**THE WEEKLY OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Disciples' life is centered at the table. Through communion we are connected to one another and to God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**BELIEVER'S BAPTISM BY IMMERSION**

Following the earliest tradition of the church, we demonstrate our commitment to God by dramatic action, letting the waters of our baptism give witness to God's grace upon us.

**OPEN MEMBERSHIP**

Recognizing that the tradition of the whole church are many and varied, we do not insist that our baptismal practice is the only one that is valid. We know that baptism is God's action far more than our own.

**AN ATTITUDE OF TOLRANCE AND A REJECTION OF CREEDS AS TESTS OF FAITH**

We celebrate diversity as strength rather than weakness, and do not expect everyone's interpretation of the Bible or the Christian life to be identical.

**THE IMPORTANCE OF SCRIPTURE**

We believe that the Bible is the inspired word of God and is best heard and understood within the community of faith with the diverse insight that context provides.

**THE INCLUSION OF THE LEADERSHIP OF WOMEN**

We believe that God provides spiritual gifts to all and do not restrict any office or role in the life of the church by gender.

**AN EMPHASIS ON LAY LEADERSHIP**

Aside from performing weddings which is regulated by the state, lay persons in our church are permitted and encouraged to all things, including presiding and offering the Eucharistic prayers at the Lord's Table, often restricted to ordained clergy in other denominations.

**AN EDUCATED CLERGY**

We set educational and professional standards for ministers – licensed and ordained, and hold our clergy to ethical accountability through denominational oversight.

**A PRIORITY ON ECUMENICAL LIFE**

Disciples earnestly pray and strive for the unity of the church and attempt to work in ways that bridge the separation of Christ's body.

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

*WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. John Mobley & Jill Pasky  
MUSIC MINISTER: Rev. Jan Watts*

*ORGANIST/PIANIST: David Brasher  
ELDERS ON CALL: Jim & Beverly Baxter  
SERVING DIACONATE: Mack Carpenter, Megan Alderson, Buzz DeVore, Nancy DeVore, Julie Henderson, Kathy Mann, Mike Mee, Bruce Moon, Marian Moon, Sharon Orazine, Donna Penn, John Townsend, Lisa Townsend, Garry Tyree, Elizabeth West*

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP & WONDER:**

*LESSON: Wondering Day  
STORYTELLER: Joye Taylor  
GREETERS: June Pryor & Paulette Farquhar*

*SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen*

*WORSHIP GREETERS: Brice & Peggy Thornbury*

*WORSHIP TABLE GREETER: Marian Moon*

**WELCOME JOHN**

Today we welcome John Mobley to share the Word of God.

John P. Mobley has served as Regional Minister for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Alabama-Northwest Florida since March 1, 1996. Prior to that time he had served as senior minister at First Christian Church in Shelbyville, Tennessee (1991-1996) and as pastor of the Simpsonville Christian Church in Simpsonville, Kentucky (1985-1991).

Born in Augusta, Georgia, on April 20, 1957, John is the youngest of four children born to a Southern Baptist minister. John received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Furman University in Greenville, SC, in 1978, and his Master of Divinity degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville KY, in 1981. He discovered the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in 1984 and immediately affiliated with the Disciples, working through the Kentucky Region. to obtain ministerial standing based on his prior ordination in a Southern Baptist church. John Mobley has served the larger church in a variety of roles, including the Week of Compassion Committee, the Mission Council (chair), the Trustee Board of Disciples Divinity House - Vanderbilt, the Mission Funding Task Group of the General Board of the Church, and the Advisory Council of NBA-Christian Services for Children in Alabama. He currently serves as chairperson for the Center for Faith and Giving Committee, and he is also serving his second term on the Board of Trustees for the Pension Fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). John has been married to the former Valya Wilson since June 1, 1985. They have two children, Tyler, born in 1987, and Janessa, born in 1990.

God Bless you John in your ministry to our church, all the Disciple churches in Alabama/Northwest Florida, and the ministry of our Lord around the world.

### **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 written 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](mailto:claradelcsh@aol.com).

### **BE A BLOOD DONOR FOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS**

Would you be willing to donate blood for another church member if needed? If so, please sign our blood donor list in the narthex. We will keep this list on file. If anyone in our church family has an emergency and needs this critical life source, we can call persons on our blood donor list to donate blood for another church member. If you would be willing to donate blood, please sign the list in the narthex. Thank you!

*Lisa Burdette*

### **A FELLOWSHIP MOMENT**

The Fellowship Mission will provide light refreshments of fruit, cookies, coffee, and juice between Sunday school and Worship. The refreshment table will be located in the Narthex by the church office. Stop by between 9:45 and 10:15 to enjoy refreshments. Also, this is a wonderful opportunity to meet our guests and welcome them to First Christian Church.