

The Lord's Day

April 20, 2008

Prelude

◆Call to Worship

Isaiah 45:22-23

*Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth!
For I am God, and there is no other.
By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in
righteousness a word that shall not return:
"To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear
allegiance."*

Prayer for God's Blessing

◆**Hymn of Adoration:** "O God, We Praise Thee"
Trinity Hymnal #105

Call to Confession:

Isaiah 44:22

*I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your
sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 45:17

*But Israel is saved by the LORD with everlasting salvation;
you shall not be put to shame or confounded to all eternity.*

◆**Hymn of Praise:** "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
Trinity Hymnal #164

Reception of New Members: Jamie and Angela Belden

◆Our Profession of Faith

—Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Old Testament: Isaiah 56:1-8

New Testament: Colossians 1:24-29

Sermon: "A Joyful Suffering"

◆**Hymn of Preparation:** "Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands"
Trinity Hymnal #427

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

◆**Hymn of Response:** "Jesus, I Live to Thee"
Trinity Hymnal #516

◆Benediction

◆**Doxology:** "Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow"
Trinity Hymnal #731

Sermon Notes:

Greeter this week: *Mark Doran*
Greeter next week: *Angela Belden*
Pianists: *Natalie Doran and Emily Doran*

☐ **The Wednesday Night Community Group** meets at the home of Mark and Nancy Doran from 7-9pm. Pastor Doll is leading the study from the book, *Trusting God...Even When Life Hurts*, by Jerry Bridges.

☐ **Ladies' Tea**...All the Ladies are invited to a "Ladies' Tea" at the Milford Park Nursing Home, sponsored by the 6th and 7th grade Sunday School class. It will be from 2-4pm, on Saturday, April 26. Please RSVP to Sarah Fink mpfcatsrule@aol.com and finkjb@aol.com, (both addresses please). If you have a teapot that you can bring, it would be greatly appreciated. Hope you are able to come!

☐ **New Horizons magazine**... Copies of this month's *New Horizons* magazine are on the Information table. Please feel free to take extra copies to pass out among family, friends co-workers, etc.

☐ **Fellowship time**... All members and regular attendees are encouraged to participate in bringing refreshments for the fellowship time. You may bring either homemade or store bought cookies, brownies, muffins, bread, fresh vegetables, etc. Please bring your snacks on/in a serving dish or container.

Upcoming Events

Wed, April 23 – Wednesday Night Community Group, at Doran's 7-9pm

Sat, April 26 – Ladies' Tea at Milford Park Nursing Home

Sun, May 18 – Lord's Supper