



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 18, 2009

Eleven o'clock

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE GATHERING

The service of worship begins with the prelude; quiet is requested as you enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship. In the spirit of Christian fellowship, we invite you to wear a name tag which is available from the greeters. As a community that prays with and for one another, we invite you to share your joys and concerns by using the blue cards available from the ushers and in the welcome pad folders. Those parts of the Service of Worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in bold type.

**Stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE	Andante (Lyric Suite)	Al Fedak
* HYMN 482	Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty	Lobe Den Herren

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is calling you today!

People: Lord, help us hear your voice in our hearts.

Leader: Place your trust in God's eternal love.

People: Lord, let us trust you in all our ways.

Leader: Come, let us worship and celebrate!

People: Lord, open our hearts to hear your voice and follow you.

INTROIT

Dave Brubeck

*I dream a world where man No other man will scorn,
Where love will bless the earth And peace its paths adorn.
I dream a world where all Will know sweet freedom's way,
Where greed no longer saps the soul Nor avarice blights our day.
A world I dream where black or white, Whatever race you be,
Will share the bounties of the earth And every man is free,
Where wretchedness will hang its head And joy, like a pearl,
Attends the needs of all mankind- Of such I dream, my world!*

-LANGSTON HUGHES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please use the welcome pad in the blue folder at the end of the pew. Record your presence. Pass it back, noticing who is worshipping with you. When the pad has been returned, please tear off the sheet and place it in the offering plate.)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Chris Olsen

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, in the days when your word was rarely heard, you broke into Samuel's life and called his name, and he said "Here I am, speak, for your servant is listening." We confess that we do not expect to meet you on the familiar roads we travel and so we fail to discern your presence. We confess that so many voices compete for our attention that your word is hard for us to hear. We are often unwilling to believe that you might be calling each one of us to bear witness to your healing and redeeming love. Yet, in the midst of all the activity, you call to us. You ask us to work for ministries of hope. Forgive us when you have called us to be prophetic witnesses or to use our gifts to serve you, and we have not heard or have been unwilling to respond. Heal our hearts and our souls and give us courage and determination to bring your good news of love and mercy to your aching world, even when that means daring to travel on unfamiliar paths. Fill us anew with the Holy Spirit that we may joyfully respond to your call. In the name of Christ our Lord we pray, Amen.

PRAYERS OF SILENT AND INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Friends, believe and proclaim the Good News: in Jesus Christ, love breaks through hatred, hope breaks through despair, life breaks through death.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, loved, and set free.
Thanks be to God!

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Hymnal No. 579

Gloria Patri

*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.*

* EXCHANGE OF PEACE

Leader: Let us open our hearts to one another as Christ has
opened his heart to us, and God will be glorified.

People: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

(Exchange Signs of Reconciliation and the Peace of Christ with your
neighbor - e.g., *"The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you."*
Response - *"And also with you."*)

ANTHEM

Prayer of St. Francis
JUNIOR CHOIR

arr. Neary

TIME WITH CHILDREN

+ *Children leave for their classes. Youth remain for worship.* +

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 3:1-10

* HYMN 525

Here I Am, Lord

SECOND LESSON

John 1:43-51

SERMON

"First Impressions"

Rev. Richard S. Hong

OFFERTORY

Agnus Dei

Pergolesi

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis. Amen.

Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Amen.

* THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE SENDING OUT

* HYMN 563

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Lift Every Voice

* BENEDICTION

* CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

Thou Art the Rock (Tu es petra)

Mulet

(Our worship ends with the conclusion of the Postlude. It is the custom of our church to remain seated. Those who wish to leave may do so.)

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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Samuel 3:1-10 (NRSV)

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

John 1:43-51 (NRSV)

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God!

You are the King of Israel!”⁵⁰ Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.”⁵¹ And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

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