

MORNING WORSHIP
July 4, 2010
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Independence Day

CHIMES AND PRELUDE

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Let us gather this day for worship as a nation truly blessed by God.

People: Many fine people have given their lives that we might be free.

Pastor: And many have defended liberty and justice for all around the world.

People: Yet if we are to remain free we must be willing to protect liberty.

Pastor: And if we are to remain free we must be true to the Lord our God.

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

†HYMN 561: *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* AMERICA

†APOSTLES' CREED:

*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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

†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.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (unison)

Lord, so often as we live our everyday lives, we fail to appreciate the wonderful ways in which you have so blessed our nation. Too often, Lord, we have taken for granted even the basic freedoms others, in less fortunate nations, only dream of one day having. Forgive us, Lord, and lead us into ways we can share your blessings with the world. In Christ we pray. Amen.

KYRIE: NO. 574 *Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Pastor: Hear the Good News! God has forgiven each one of us and calls us to take part in the drama of redeeming love.

People: Praise God, who accepts and uses our very human lives in the unfolding story of salvation and new life.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: *Psalm 30:1-12* Pew Bible, Page 505

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

INVITATION

OFFERTORY: *Across the Wide Missouri*

†DOXOLOGY

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN 310: *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* ST. AGNES CM

WORD WITH CHILDREN

(Children 3k-5k may depart for the nursery)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: *Galations 6:11-18* Pew Bible, Page 191

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PIANO SOLO: *America the Beautiful* Theresa Wilhelmi

SERMON: *Ultimate Freedom* The Rev. Tom Langston

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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, for ever. Amen.*

†HYMN 564: *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies* MATERNA CMD

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (*see back of bulletin*)

† POSTLUDE

† All are invited to stand

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PRAYER CONCERNS If you have a prayer concern that you would like our pastor and/or church members to bring before God, please write it on the card located in the pew rack and place in the offering plate. If you or a family member is admitted to the hospital or has other care concerns, please notify the church office or the elder on call for July, Roy Roberts.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER will be observed next Sunday, July 11.

YOUTH GROUP The Youth Group needs your help. Youth group members will be attending the Montreat Youth Conference July 25-31 and need food items. A food donation list has been placed on the bulletin board in the hallway of the education building. Please help by signing up to donate an item or items and drop off at the church by Saturday, July 24. Thank you!

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed tomorrow for the 4th of July holiday.

TREASURER'S REPORT General Fund receipts through June 30: \$87,701.37;
Required for budget: \$75,000.00

FOOD PANTRY Our food ministry has improved the potential of meeting the goals of Marion Presbyterian Church in providing food to those in need in our community by partnering with the Refuge Family Worship Center. Please continue to fill a bag or bring non-perishable food items to church on Sundays.

USHERS Lina Rice and Allen Meetze