

MORNING WORSHIP
September 5, 2010
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

CHIMES AND PRELUDE

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Come, let us worship God in Spirit and in truth,

People: Speaking truth to God, to ourselves, and to each other.

Pastor: Let us open our hearts and minds to the light and love of God,

People: Asking that the God of our salvation may restore us and make us whole.

†HYMN 473: *For the Beauty of the Earth*

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†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)

Almighty God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift, we give praise and thanks for all thy mercies; for the goodness that has created us, the bounty that sustains us, the patience that never gives up on us, the love that has redeemed us. Grant in this act of worship today a heart full of love, a mind inclined to truth, and the will to serve Jesus Christ, who alone is our hope and our salvation. Amen.

KYRIE: NO. 574

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Pastor: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep us in eternal life.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: *Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18* Pew Bible, Page 577

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

INVITATION

OFFERTORY

†DOXOLOGY

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN 210: *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

ST. ANNE CM

WORD WITH CHILDREN

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: *Luke 14:25-35* Pew Bible, Page 78

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PIANO SOLO

SERMON: *Warning to the Clueless Enthusiast*

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 538: *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing*

SICILIAN MARINERS

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†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 September, Nan Ham.

OFFICER BOARD MEETING has been moved due to the Labor Day holiday to Monday, September 13, at 5:30, in the fellowship hall.

ERNIE'S FIRST TUESDAY will meet this Tuesday, September 7, 11:00am, in the fellowship hall. We will kick-off our new year with a variety of fun filled activities led by Janice Lane. Call Lina Rice, 423-3284, or Harriet Mulligan, 423-6666, if you plan to attend. **Note changes: Time: 11:00am; Cost \$4.00.**

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY continues each Wednesday, 9:00am, in the fellowship hall. The Beth Moore study is *Living Beyond Yourself: A Study of the Fruits of the Spirit*. Cost is \$25 and childcare will be provided. Call Erika Roberts, 423-8600, if you would like to participate.

CAMP MPC DAY Join us for food, fun, and fellowship following the worship service on Sunday, September 19. We'll stay on the church grounds and enjoy a cookout (meal provided) followed by outdoor games for young and old. You can play or watch from the sidelines. Please dress comfortably.

THE GOOD NEWS CLUB is seeking volunteers for the coming year at Marion Intermediate School. There are various roles for service each Wednesday afternoon during after school hours. What an opportunity to tell children of Jesus through Bible stories, music, games, and discussion! Contact Lina Rice, 423-3284, for additional information.

NEW ADDRESS Frances Haupt has moved. If you would like to keep in touch with Frances, her new mailing address is: Frances Haupt, Scotia Village, 2200 Elm Ave., Laurinburg, NC 28352.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed on Monday for Labor Day.

FOOD PANTRY The food pantry continues to need your help and support. Please bring any non-perishable items or fill a grocery bag. Marion continues to have many hungry people.

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