

8:00 and 11:00 Worship Celebrations
March 7, 2010

3rd Sunday in Lent

We Gather Together

PRELUDE *“When I Survey”* ...Bish

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
(Please sign the attendance register)

We Praise God

***INTROIT (11:00)** *“Beautiful Savior”* Chancel Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We are here to wrap ourselves in the healing love of God!
We are here to seek God’s presence in our lives!
For God continually surrounds us with patience and second chances.
Even though we have not produced the “fruits” of hope that God seeks, God forgives us and restores us.
Rejoice! Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!
Praise be to God for God’s steadfast love!

***HYMN** *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”* No. 89

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**
(Please be seated after greeting one another.)

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00) Jeff and Dayna Foster

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Almighty God, we live in a world where there are great calamities, accidents, natural disasters, and constant violence. Remind us again that those things are not your doing. Show us instead your ways of forgiveness, restoration and second chances. When we are confronted with how fragile life can be, help us to consider the gift of another year. By your grace, may we live in such a way that we will have no fear of giving an account for how we’ve used it. With great joy, may we live each day with the awareness that it is a gift from you. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ who has brought us the year of your favor, and in whose name we pray. Amen.

We Proclaim the Word

ANTHEM (11:00) *“Embrace the Cross” (...Elliott)* Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 13:1-9 Liturgist

SERMON “The Year of God’s Favor” Michael Marion

RESPONSE *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”* No. 140 (Vs. 1, 3)

We Respond to God's Word

CALL TO PRAYER (11:00) *"Near the Cross"* Chancel Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER/ CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERTORY *"What Wondrous Love"* ...Behnke

***DOXOLOGY**

***HOLY COMMUNION**

(8:00 At the direction of the ushers, you are invited to come forward for communion. You may fill any space along the rail when you see an opening and stand or kneel to be served a piece of bread and a small cup. Please return to your seat by the side aisles.)

(11:00 You are invited to come forward by the center aisle. You may receive communion by taking a piece of bread and touching it in the cup at the first station and then return to your seat; or you may fill any space along the rail when you see an opening and stand or kneel to be served a piece of bread and a small cup. Please return to your seat by the side aisles.)

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*HYMN *"Now Thank We All Our God"* No. 102

*BENEDICTION *"Benediction"* Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE *"O God Thou Faithful God"* ...Brahms

*Indicates to please stand as you are comfortable.



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