

ORDER OF WORSHIP

ORGAN PRELUDE *Ach Gott und Herr* Bach
[We request that the chimes be the signal for a time of quiet meditation before the service]

MOMENT OF GREETING AND CONCERNS

[We invite everyone to fill out the **Fellowship Pad** in their pew at this time. Please pass this pad down your pew and back again. Thank you.]

***HYMN No. 228** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In this the love of God was made manifest among us.
People: That God sent God's only son into our world so that we might live through him.
Leader: O give thanks to God for God is good!
People: God's steadfast love endures forever!

INVOCATION (in unison)

Eternal God, source of all being, we gather this morning to worship you in spirit and truth. Help us in these moments to feel your holy presence among us. Stir our hearts, enliven our faith, renew our spirits, and guide us in the days ahead that we may ever walk humbly and justly in the ways of your perfect love and peace. We pray together as Jesus taught us, saying, "Our Father..."

THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts")

CHORAL INTERLUDE

RESPONSIVE READING I Corinthians 13 NT 212

Leader: 13:1-3
People: 13:4-7
Leader: 13:8-10
Unison: 13:11-13

***GLORIA PATRI No. 513**

ANTHEM *Alleluia* Boyce

SCRIPTURE READING I John 4:16a-21 NT 292

CALL TO PRAYER No. 531

[Congregation is asked to sing with the choir where indicated "People."]

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us pray: O Lord show Thy mercy upon us.

People: And grant us Thy Salvation

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us,

People: And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

***TRUTH & LIGHT HYMN** *On Eagle's Wings*

OFFERTORY

Anthem *Abide With Me* Archer
*Doxology - No. 515
Offertory Prayer

SERMON "God's Gift to Us: Unconditional Love"

***HYMN No. 66** *For the Beauty of the Earth* [vs. 1-4]

*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

***POSTLUDE** *March of the Kings* Stickles

*Those who are able, please stand

Visitors - We welcome you to our church fellowship and hope you will come again. We invite you to sign the *Friendship Pad* that is passed in the pew or sign the guest book in the narthex. There are many new faces in our congregation; we encourage those with name tags to please wear them. **Childcare** for ages infant through six years is available downstairs in Room 10.

Please turn off your cell phones.

Please note! Hearing-aid devices and print-outs of the day's sermon are available. Please speak to a Deacon.

Please join us for "Punch on the Portico" after our service.

Greeters are Carol Andersen and Fran & Walt Mitchell.

Ushers are Tom Haynes, Nancy Hussey, Ed Jackson and Marcia Young.
Lay reader is Meg Becker.

Flowers on the altar-table are given by Erma Ruskey in gratitude and appreciation of all her caregivers, especially Carol, Kristin, Tammy and Zoë.

Deacons of the Month are Cliff Duckworth and Nancy Hussey.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Just in case you thought life wasn't moving fast enough, it's already time to start thinking about the church's **Christmas Fair** in December! September is the month when the **Christmas Decorations** craft group begins working to ensure that there are plenty of gorgeous, handmade goodies for folks to buy. They will meet on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and will begin on Monday, September 13.

For your information, the **little brown box** sitting outside the church office is for your use. If you have a concern for which you wish the Tuesday Morning Prayer Group to hold in prayer, please let us know by dropping a note in the box. All requests remain confidential unless otherwise indicated and you may submit your requests anonymously if you wish.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Mon., Aug. 16	Regular church office hours resume
Tues., Aug. 17	10:00 a.m. Friendly Circle
Wed., Aug. 18	7:00 p.m. Church Council
Fri., Aug. 20	Noon MESSENGER DEADLINE!!!!

Church School Corner - Church School classes are not held during the summer. However, childcare for ages infant through 6 years is available downstairs in Room 10. Our program begins again on September 12 followed by a hot dog picnic on the portico. 2010-2011 rotation themes include: Joseph in Egypt, The Prodigal Son, Follow the Star (Christmas), Zacchaeus, Easter Around the World, and Daniel. Our new Youth Group will include grades 4-6 and will meet once-a-month on Sunday evenings beginning in September. **JOIN THE FUN!!!**

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**Sunday, August 15, 2010
10:00 a.m.**

On Eagle's Wings

(You Who Dwell in the Shelter)

Unison

1. You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a - bide in God's
 (2.) snare of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, and fa - mine will
 3. You need not fear the ter - ror of the night, nor the ar - row that

shad - ow for life, say to the Lord, "My ref - uge, my
 bring you no fear, un - der God's wings your ref - uge, and
 flies by day; though thou - sands fall a - bout you,

Refrain

Rock in whom I trust."
 faith - ful - ness your shield. And God will raise you up on
 near you it shall not come.

ea - gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the

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sun and hold you in the palm of God's hand. 2. The

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WORDS and MUSIC: Michael Joncas, b. 1951, alt.

Joncas, a Roman Catholic priest, wrote this hymn upon learning that a friend's father had become ill. Based on Psalm 91 and Exodus 19:4, this hymn affirms God's providential care.

ON EAGLE'S WINGS

Irr. w. refrain

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