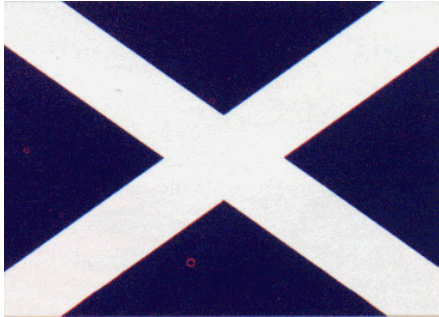


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SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2011



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Sunday, January 16, 2011

9:00AM

WE ARE GATHERED TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP –THE GREATEST HOUR

PRELUDE Now Thank We All Our God "Nun danket" Johann Crueger,
arr. David Hegarty

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: O Give thanks to the Lord who is good, whose steadfast love endures forever.

People: Let Israel say, "God's steadfast love endures forever."

Pastor: This is the Lord's doing. It is marvelous in our eyes.'

People: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (from Psalm 118)

* HYMN 66 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
St. Denio

CALL TO PRAYER, PRAYER, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)

Gracious God, once more we thank You for the wonder of Your love and the awesome extent of Your mercy We have failed You in so much, repeatedly ignoring Your will and breaking Your commandments. Yet, despite our betrayal, You do not only forgive but put our mistakes behind us.

However often we go astray, however great our faults, and however feeble the love we show in return, You are always willing to forget and move on Teach us the secret of such love. Touch our hearts with Your goodness, and so may we learn to let go past hurts, and build instead for the future. May we be agents of Your healing, redeeming and renewing grace, through our faith in Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 51: 1-10

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL LESSON St. Mark 2: 1-12

*HYMN 86 Great is Thy Faithfulness Faithfulness

SERMON: PROBLEMS WITH FORGIVENESS

Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*HYMN 485

DIVERSE IN CULTURE, NATION, RACE

Tallis Canon

THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY : Jesus Our Comfort and Life

J.S. Bach

THE DOXOLOGY

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CALL TO PRAYER AND THE PASTORAL PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*using trespasses*)

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN 546

Amazing Grace!

New Britain

BENEDICTION (*Unison*)

**Wherever we go, may the joy of God the gracious be with us.
Wherever we go, may the peace of Christ the kindly be with us.
Wherever we go, may the compassion of the spirit be with us, to bless us,
lead us and keep us this day and forevermore. Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Raise Now Your Song on High

Camille Saint Saens

MAY THIS DAY BE A GRAND AND GLORIOUS DAY FOR YOU

GOD HAS GIVEN US ALL THE RESOURCES WE NEED TO MEET EVERY CHALLENGE EVERY DAY. LET EACH AND ALL OF US FEEL AND EXPERIENCE THE WELCOMING SPIRIT TODAY. IT IS AS REAL AND SINCERE AS IS THE PRESENCE OF GOD.

DO PLEASE JOIN US after worship for a time of refreshments and friendship. Especially we want to make our visitors feel at home. Let us get to know you and may you get to know us. Let's make God happy.

OUR SAINT ANDREW'S BOOK CLUB will meet Thursday evening, January 20, 2011, at the home of Barbara Pour, 6110 Bellingham Court, Apt. 621 (Elkridge Estates). Bring along your best and latest book. Questions? Call Barbara at 410-377-4046.

HAVE YOU COLLECTED your photographic directory? Please collect a copy from the lounge piano and sign on the accompanying sheet of paper. It makes for good bedtime reading.

OUR NEXT P & R MEETING (PLANNING AND REVIEW) will be held on Monday, January 24, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. This is an open meeting to our trustees, and all who are interested in our plans, finances, past, present and future.

OUR MISSION COMMITTEE AND DREAM TEAM. Meetings will be held here at church on Wednesday, January 19, 2011, at 2:30 P.M. followed by the Dream Team meeting for ideas and plans for this New Year. These are open meetings to which all are invited.

DO NOT FORGET OUR ANIMAL FRIENDS. Contributions of old pillow cases, sheets, blankets, towels, as well as plastic grocery bags are welcome. Please place the items in the basket located just inside the front door.

GOOD NEWS FOR 2011! Reading the Contemporary English Bible every day is the best good news in the whole world. Copies are available on the lounge piano, courtesy of the Maryland Bible Society.

Thought for the week ahead:

Forgiveness...always goes beyond what is just and due. It is not a matter of justice, but an affair of grace.

-Richard A. Norris-

(Understanding The Faith of The Church.

MUSIC PROVIDED DURING SERVICE JANUARY 30

Elizabeth Borowsky, Piano
Emmanuel Borowsky, Violin
Frances Borowsky, Cello

Hailed by the international press as "Young American Virtuosi," Elizabeth, Emmanuel, and Frances Borowsky have been praised world-wide for their outstanding musicianship. Although young, these three siblings have won their way into the hearts of millions of people through their concerts in North America, Asia, the Middle East, and Europe; radio and television performances; and CD and DVD recordings (Pearls of Music, Musical Favorites of All Times, Music for Peace, Chopin Recital, Postcards from Dilsberg, and Beethoven Triple Concerto). Each began performing at an early age and has accrued an impressive list of professional achievements and awards. In 2004 they jointly received the Erick Friedman Prize for Outstanding Young Musicians and performed their Carnegie Hall Debut. They have performed Pre-Olympic concerts in China, resided as Artists-in-Residence at the Dilsberg Castle as recipients of a grant from the Rhein-Neckar Kulturstiftung (Germany), and performed as soloists in the Beethoven Triple Concerto with the Young German Symphony Orchestra during their U.S. Concert Tour. Most recently, on the invitation of the American Tribute to Chopin Consortium, they have been performing concerts in honor of the Chopin birthday bicentennial around the United States.