

April 6, 2008

Now I will freely and publicly confess that my crime is that Jesus Christ, the King of kings and Lord of lords, desires that we do what we are doing—that the sinner shall repent and believe in the Lord Jesus and should be baptized in water upon his confession of faith.

—Alexander Mack, Sr., to Charles August, count of Marienborn, 1711

Gathering and Praising

Music for Meditation

*Be receptive to the Spirit of God as worship begins
with Music for Meditation*

Prelude and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

***Passing the Peace**

***Call to Worship:**

One: Out of the mouths of infants and children,
of women and men,
of every race and nation,
your majesty, Holy God, is praised
even far above the heavens.

**All: *May the goodness of your creation
sing in our hearts,
and may your sustaining love
be reflected in our obedience to you. Amen.***

***Invocation:**

Earle W. Fike, Jr.

***Hymn:** *God loves all his many people* #397

First Scripture Reading: *Acts 13: 2-3; 16: 9-10, from The Message*

Songs of Praise: *Don't be afraid* #1103 (HS)

Listen, listen, God is calling #1104 (HS)

Affirmation Litany

We believe in Jesus Christ #713

Proclaiming

Children's story

Judy Myers-Walls

Scripture:

Matthew 28: 16-20

Message:

Mission 300 Years Later

Hymn:

Christian, let your burning light #402

Praying

“For this we rejoice...”

“For this we pray...”

Prayer for all God's children

Offering

Invitation to Giving

Offertory

Matthew Roop

***Offertory Response:**

Grant us, Lord

#388

***Prayer of Dedication:**

Fred Unruh

Sending

***Hymn:**

I love to tell the story

#398

***Benediction:**

***Sending Christ's light out into the world**

***Postlude**