

June 29, 2008

Welcome each person as if they were Christ.

—The Rule of Saint Benedict

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: Welcome, all who enter this holy place.
Welcome, all who come to be in God's presence.

**All: *We have come in response to the call of Christ.
We have come to take up the work which is offered to us.***

One: Welcome, you who come to take up the mantle of discipleship.
Welcome, you who would receive and share the love of Christ.

**All: *Thanks be to God for Jesus Christ.
In him are honor and glory, now and forevermore.***

***Hymn:** *Come, let us all unite to sing* #12

***Invocation**

First Scripture Reading: *Matthew 10: 40-42, from The Message*

Songs of Praise: *Bless His holy name* Overhead

Holy Ground medley Overhead

Children's story Marj Hovde

Praying

“For this we rejoice...”

“For this we pray...”

Hymn Call to Prayer *Come and fill our hearts* #1119 (HS)

Prayer for all God's children

Proclaiming

Scripture: *2 Corinthians 5: 17-21*
Message: *The stranger at the door*
Hymn: *Where cross the crowded ways* #405

Offering

Invitation to Giving

Offertory

***Offertory Response:** *Give thanks with a grateful heart* #1030 (HS)

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sending

***Hymn:** *Amazing Grace* #143

***Benediction**

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

***Postlude**

*Please stand as you are able.

Please join us after the service for a time of fellowship and refreshments downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.