

**September 28, 2008**

*I long to accomplish a great and noble task; but it is my chief duty to accomplish small tasks as if they were great and noble.*

*–Helen Keller*

**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: Almighty God, we thank you that you have  
highly exalted your Son, Jesus Christ.

**All: *Jesus Christ is Lord of us all!***

One: Before him, every knee shall bow  
and every tongue confess:

**All: *Jesus Christ is Lord of us all!***

One: He has made captivity itself a captive;  
and has given gifts to his people.

**All: *Jesus Christ is Lord of us all!***

One: We rejoice that Jesus Christ, the pioneer  
and perfecter of our faith, has triumphed  
most gloriously and is our Lord.

**All: *Jesus Christ is Lord of us all!***

One: Almighty God, we thank you that you have  
highly exalted your Son, Jesus Christ.

**All: *Jesus Christ is Lord of us all!***

One: Bring us, at last, into your presence,  
so that we can live and praise you  
together with all the saints forever and ever.

**All: *Jesus Christ is Lord of us all!***

**\*Invocation**

**\*Hymn:** *Morning has broken* #648

**First Scripture Reading:** *Philippians 2: 1-13, from The Message*

**Songs of Praise:** *All things bright and beautiful* #156

*Blessed Assurance* #332

**Proclaiming**

**Children's Story**

**Scripture:** *Matthew 21: 23-32*

**Message:** *Showing up*

**Hymn:** *Great is thy faithfulness* #327

**Praying**

**“For this we rejoice...”**

**“For this we pray...”**

**Hymn Call to Prayer** *Peace, be still, and know* #1120 (HS)

**Prayer for all God's children**

**Offering**

**Invitation to Giving**

**Offertory** Matthew Roop

**\*Offertory Response:** *Give thanks* #1030 (HS)

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Sending**

**\*Hymn:** *When we walk with the Lord* #544

**\*Benediction**

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

**\*Postlude**

\*Please stand as you are able.

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Welcome to all who are visiting today! Please join us after the service for a time of fellowship and refreshment downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Afterward, join us for Sunday school for youth and adults.