

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**EIGHT THIRTY AND ELEVEN O’CLOCK**

*Worship begins when the first worshiper arrives. Please worship silently during the prelude. Please do not photograph or videotape the worship service. Remember to turn off your cell phone.*

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME**

**Preparation for Worship**

With the drawing of this Love and the voice of this Calling  
We shall not cease from exploration,  
And the end of all our exploring  
Will be to arrive where we started  
And know the place for the first time. (T. S. Eliot, “Four Quartets”)

**The Gathering** (8:30) The Reverend Dr. Gayle Walker  
(11:00) The Reverend Margaret Burnett

**Prelude** Praeludium in C Dietrich Buxtehude  
Hymn prelude: “Prayer”  
**Introit** (11:00) “Now Praise the Lord” (Psalm 147) ST. ANNE  
*Idlewild Adult Choir*

**\*Call to Worship**

One: Have you heard? God heals the broken and blesses the wounded.

**All: Sing praise to God!**

One: Have you heard? God forgives, and the past is over and done.

**All: Sing praise to God!**

One: Have you heard? God lifts up the downcast and gives peace to the troubled.

**All: Sing praise to God!**

One: Have you heard? God smoothes out rough paths and makes a way for us.

**All: Sing praise to God!**

**Have you heard? God gives power to the weak and renews our strength. Sing praise to God!**

One: Let us worship the One Eternal God.

**\*Opening Hymn** No. 423 “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun” DUKE STREET

**\*Prayer of Confession**

One: Gracious God, we confess our weariness.

**All: We confess that we grow faint with our weariness.**

One: We confess that we have no energy to help the powerless.

**All: We confess that we look for strength and find exhaustion.**

One: We confess that we do not wait for you.

**All: Merciful God, forgive us, and lead us back to you, for in you our strength is renewed.**

**Fill our voices with your praise, that all might hear!**

*(Period of silent prayers of confession)*

One: Amen.

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Congregational Response** No 298 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” IN BABILONE

**There’s a wideness in God’s mercy,**

**Like the wideness of the sea;**

**There’s a kindness in God’s justice,**

**Which is more than liberty.**

**There is no place where earth’s sorrows**

**Are more felt than up in heaven;**

**There is no place where earth’s failings**

**Have such kindly judgment given.**

**\*Passing the Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you!**

**PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD**

**Gathering Hymn** “A Child of God”

**If anybody asks you who I am, who I am, who I am,**

**If anybody asks you who I am, tell them I’m a child of God.**

**If anybody asks you where I live, where I live, where I live,**

**If anybody asks you where I live, tell them in the love of God.**

**Time with the Younger Church** Ms. Elizabeth Houston

**Welcome and Announcements** The Reverend Dr. Stephen R. Montgomery

**\*Proclamation Hymn** No. 369 “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” I’M GONNA LIVE

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament Lesson:** Isaiah 40:28–31 Mr. Austin Blair  
(Page 668, OT Pew Bible)

**New Testament Lesson:** Mark 1:29–39 Dr. Montgomery  
(Page 35, NT Pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon:** “Everyone Is Searching for You” Dr. Montgomery

**RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**Mexico Clean Water Commissioning** Dr. Walker

One: We are called by God through our baptism to be the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind.

Mission Participants: The call of Christ is to be willing, dedicated discipleship. Discipleship is both a gift and a commitment, an offering and a responsibility.

**All: Pan, Carl, Beth and Robyn: God has called you to the particular service of providing the gift of clean water to communities whose water is contaminated. Do you welcome the responsibility of this service because you are committed to follow Jesus Christ, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world?**

Mission participants: We do.

One: We thank you—who are going to Mexico to install clean water systems—for hearing God’s call, for responding in faith, and for going out into the world to serve God as representatives of Idlewild. We will pray for you and for all those you meet that God may surprise you with new life and enduring hope.

**Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings**

**Offertory** (8:30) “For the Lord Will Lead” Felix Mendelssohn  
*Beth Townley, soloist*

(11:00) “Shall We Gather at the River” John Carter  
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**\*Doxology with Alleluias**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Christ, all creatures here below.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise Holy Spirit evermore;**

**Praise Triune God whom we adore.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Words of Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Holy God, we praise you.

Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad.

**People: We bless you for creating the whole world, and for Jesus Christ in whom your fullness dwells.**

Leader: For his life which informs our living.

**People: For his compassion which changes our hearts.**

Leader: For his clear speaking which contradicts our harmless generalities.

**People: For his disturbing presence, his innocent suffering, his fearless dying, his rising to life breathing forgiveness.**

Leader: For his surprising and abundant blessings that enable us to reach out to your children around the globe, in our nation, our city, our church, and our families.

**People: We praise and worship him, and we give you thanks!**

Leader: For all your children, from around the globe to our own families, we bring our prayers to you ...

... Setting our wisdom, our will, our words aside,

**People: Emptying our hearts,**

Leader: And bringing nothing in our hands,

**People: We yearn for the healing,**

Leader: The holding,

**People: The accepting,**

Leader: The forgiving,

**People: Which Christ alone offers, that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.**

Leader: Lord Christ, you make room at your table for all your children,

**People: You offer us bread of life rather than crumbs,**

Leader: Abundance rather than scarcity.

**People: So with thanksgiving we come to your table to share in your feast and to remember.**

Leader: Through this bread and this cup, we remember that on the night of your arrest you took a loaf of bread. You blessed it and broke it and gave it to your disciples, saying,

**People: “This is my body broken for you. Take, eat; do this and remember me.”**

Leader: In the same way, after supper, you took the cup, saying,

**People: “This is the cup of the new covenant, sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this and remember me.”**

Leader: As we take this bread and this cup, we proclaim the saving death of our risen Lord until he comes again. God of plenty, make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast.

**People: Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love, that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.**

Leader: We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup  
Music during Communion

“For the Lord Will Lead” Felix Mendelssohn  
*Beth Townley, soloist*

“Coming Together for Wine and Bread” Sally Ann Morris  
*Idlewild Adult Choir*  
text by Adam Tice  
(see music notes)

Prayer

\***Hymn of Dedication** “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” (see insert) ASH GROVE

\***Benediction**

\***Choral Response** “Ma te Atua” (a Maori blessing) David Hamilton  
*May Almighty God care for us forever and ever with love for all humankind. Amen.*

**Postlude** Final, *Symphony #5* (excerpt) Louis Vierne

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

*Each Sunday the 11:00 service is broadcast live on WREC-AM 600 and at [www.wreclradio.com](http://www.wreclradio.com).*

#### CONGREGATIONAL NOTICES

**The Sanctuary flowers** are given today to the glory of God and in memory of Joella Feurt Haskins for a life well lived with love and grace, by Chick and Andi Hill and family.

**Member** in the hospital as of February 1: Scott Moore.

**First-Sunday Lunch** will be served today in the T.K. Young Room at 12:15. Cost: \$7 adult; \$4 child. (\$20 family maximum). Visitors are invited to be our guests.

**The Diaconate** meets today at 12:30 in the Harlan Room. Please pick up your lunch in the T.K. Young Room and go upstairs to eat together.

**Sunday Night ChristCare** group will not meet tonight. The group will meet week from 6:15 to 7:30 in the pottery studio.

**NaCoMe Adult Retreat** is February 17-19. This is a fun, relaxing weekend with adults of all ages. Dr. Nancy Graham will lead the program on *Spirituals Enhancing Faith Journeys,* a look at how spirituals have affected our own faith and served as global ambassadors of the Bible. Cost is \$110. Register at church today! You can also contact Carol Good, 726-4681, [carolgood@idlewildchurch.org](mailto:carolgood@idlewildchurch.org) or Nancy Thompson, 274-5471, [thompson38104@yahoo.com](mailto:thompson38104@yahoo.com).

**WELL dinner** is served each Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:15 in the T.K. Young Room. This week: chili, salad and cookies. Reservations are helpful; call 726-4681. Cost is \$7 adults, \$4 children (\$20 family maximum).

**Lucy Catherine Strong** will be examined for candidacy for ordination as a teaching elder at the upcoming Presbytery meeting, at Shady Grove Presbyterian Church on February 11. You are invited to pray for her, and to come support her at Shady Grove after 12:30 that day. Lucy Catherine is currently a second year student at Columbia Theological Seminary.

**The Men in Mid-Life** ChristCare session has room for several more members. The group, led by Mike Bruno, meets the first and third Wednesdays, from 6:30 to 7:30 in Room 305W. If you are interested please contact Mike at [michael.bruno@adamskeegan.com](mailto:michael.bruno@adamskeegan.com), or Anne Apple at [anne@idlewildchurch.org](mailto:anne@idlewildchurch.org).

**New members are** received by the Session the third Sunday of each month, at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel. If you would like to become a member of Idlewild Presbyterian Church, please see a minister after the service. If you need more information call Jo Ann Acuff, membership secretary, at 726-4681.

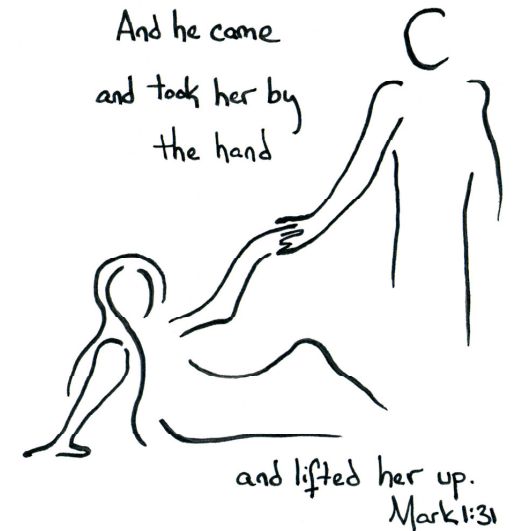
**Confidential prayer requests** can be made by calling the church prayer chain at 683-6578, or by filling out the card from the pew rack.

#### Mexico Clean Water Commissioning

Mission co-workers are being commissioned today in the 11:00 service in cooperation with the Synod project Living Waters for the World. Our Mexico team members are Pan Awsumb, team leader; Carl Awsumb and Beth Espy, installers; and Robyn Gibboney, health/hygiene instructor and translator. Team members from Mexico are Kathy Bianchi, translator, and Margurito Modesto, installer/translator.

The primary goal of the mission is to share the love and grace of God and deepen Idlewild’s relationships with our partners in Mexico. The team will install a new clean water system at the Escuela Indigenes, a primary school for indigenous children in Ometepec. They also will visit other locations to help maintain the clean water systems, encourage increased use, encourage ongoing health, hygiene and spiritual education and fellowship with our partners to better understand their needs and wants.

These mission co-workers will be in Mexico from February 16-26. Please keep them and their work in your prayers.



## Idlewild Presbyterian Church

February 5, 2012

### Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

**We welcome our** visitors this morning. If you are without a church home in Memphis, we invite you to join the Idlewild family. Please indicate your presence on the Friendship Roster. For more information about the life and ministries of Idlewild Church, please come to the front of the church following the eleven o'clock service to visit with Idlewild clergy and then join us for coffee in the T.K. Young Room. For your convenience, cards with information about us are also located in the pew racks.

**Children are welcome** and encouraged to participate in our entire worship service. Worship packs for children are available at the west sanctuary door. A Time with the Younger Church is a special part of our service during which young children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary. Following the Time with the Younger Church at the 11:00 service, children kindergarten age and younger may go to Children’s Church Continued. During the Welcome and Celebrations of the Church parents are to escort their children to the second floor of the Jones Building and sign them in. Children are to be picked up immediately following the service.

*The mission of Idlewild Presbyterian Church is to pursue, personify, and practice as Presbyterians the good news of reconciliation and salvation in Christ through worship, education, fellowship, and outreach.*



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