

# The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 8, 2009

*Prayer is as natural expression of faith as breathing is of life.*

JONATHAN EDWARDS

## GOD CALLS THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

RHODES COLLEGE

CHORAL INTROIT

*Dois Esta Aqui/ God Is Here Today*

TRADITIONAL MEXICAN

## TO CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WITH PRAISE

+CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather today to praise God who created all things, cares for us tenderly, and calls each of us to a life of service and ministry.

People: **Let us give praise for God's gifts of life, love, prayer, and meaningful work.**

One: Out of the fullness of the lives God has given us we have come to worship and to praise.

People: **With thanks to God we offer to God the creativity of our minds, the warmth of our hearts, and the joy of our spirits.**

One: We love God because God first loved us, freeing us from the power of sin and death.

People: **With glad hearts let us join together in singing praise to God, Creator, Word, and Holy Spirit.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 482

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

## TO TRUST GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES

PSALTER READING – FROM PSALM 5

One: Give ear to my words, O Lord; give head to my sighing. Listen to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you I pray.

People: **O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I plead my case to you, and watch.**

One: For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil will not sojourn with you. The boastful will not stand before your eyes...

People: **But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house, I will bow down toward your holy temple in awe of you. Lead me, O Lord, in your righteousness and make your way straight before me.**

One: Give ear to my words, O Lord; give head to my sighing.

People: **Listen to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you I pray. O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I plead my case to you, and watch.**

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE No. 362 *I Love the Lord, Who Heard My Cry* CM

## TO HEAR AND PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

ISAIAH 40:21-31

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

READINGS FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

MARK 1:29-39

SERMON

*Our Objective in Life*

KEN LETTERMAN

## TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**Christian prayer is communion with God in the name of Jesus Christ through the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit. In prayers, alone or with others, we acknowledge God's greatness and goodness, confess our sins, express our love to God, rejoice in the blessings, present our needs and those of others, receive guidance and strength, and joyfully dedicate ourselves to our Creator's will. To pray in the name of Christ, our Mediator, is not to repeat a formula, but to trust in his redemptive work, to ask for his intercession, to depend upon his presence with us and to desire what Christ has taught us to value and believe.**

+HYMN (INSERT)

*Take Time to Be Holy*

LONGSTAFF

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*Pray for the People*

PEPPER CHOPLIN

+DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen**

OLD HUNDRETH

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**TO RESPOND TO GOD'S LEADING**

+HYMN NO. 282

*But Trust in God to Guide Thee*

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

+INVITATION, CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**One:** As we have celebrated our common faith, so may we worship God in prayer and service throughout the week.

**People:** **We trust God to stand by us. We will pray for the person on our left and the person on our right.**

**One:** May the Lord give us power to face the day.

**All:** **May the light of the Kingdom of God – God's holy presence – shine upon us now and in the days ahead. Amen**

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE No. 369 vs. 3 *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

+POSTLUDE

*Postlude in C Major*

GUSTAV MERKEL

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**We Welcome** all who have gathered to worship with us this day. Evergreen Presbyterian Church is a member of The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), a worldwide community of Christian believers who profess their faith in Jesus Christ within the Reformed tradition. If you are without a church home or would like to explore being part of this congregation, or if you would like a visit from the pastor, please make your requests known on the Friendship Pad. The church welcomes all God's children. We hope you will consider joining with us in ministry.

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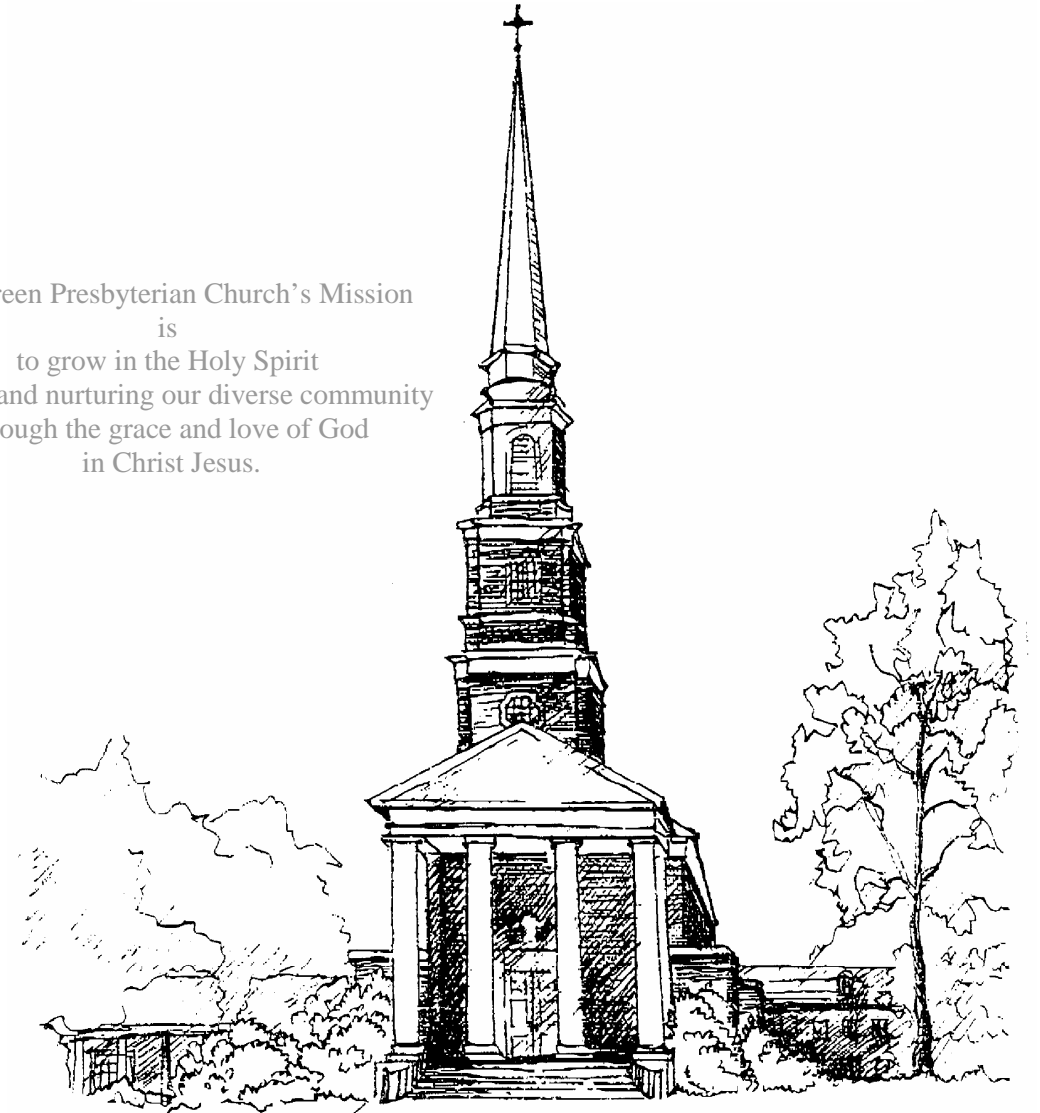


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is  
to grow in the Holy Spirit  
serving and nurturing our diverse community  
through the grace and love of God  
in Christ Jesus.



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