

Kathwood Baptist Church



THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP

December 27, 2009

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

Eleven o'clock

CALLED TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP...

Organ Prelude

Prelude in F

J. S. Bach.

Words of Welcome

Rev. Marion Aldridge

*Lighting the Candles

Acolytes

Call to Worship

Psalm 148

Congregation

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise the LORD in the heights!

Praise God, all God's angels; praise God, all God's host!

Praise the LORD, sun and moon and all you shining stars!

Praise the LORD, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the LORD, for the LORD commanded and they were created.

The LORD established them forever and ever; the LORD fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling the LORD'S command!

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

Young men and women alike, old and young together!

Let them praise the name of the LORD, for the name of the LORD alone is exalted; the LORD'S glory is above earth and heaven.

The LORD has raised up a horn for the people of the LORD, praise for all the faithful of the LORD, for the people of Israel who are close to the LORD.

Praise the LORD!

We hear the voice of God through these words.

Thanks be to God.

*Those who are able, please stand.

Invocation

Rev. Aldridge

*Hymn 94

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE

SEEKING THE LORD...

New Testament Reading

Colossians 3:12-17

Bob Bell

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Reader: We hear the voice of God through these words. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Call to Confession

Rev. Burt Pardue

Prayers of Confession (*silent*)

Congregation

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Pardue

Pastoral Prayer

Min. Angel Onley

The Lord's Prayer

Congregation

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

*Hymn 103

Away in a Manger

MUELLER

Offertory Prayer of Dedication

Robert Young

Offertory Meditation

Morning Has Broken

Keith Kolander

*Hymn 253

Doxology: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100TH

Quartet

Rise Up Shepherd and Follow

arr. Jennings

HEARING, PROCLAIMING, AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD...

Sermon Reading *Luke 2:41-52* Min. Onley

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

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Sermon *Just a Closer Walk with Thee!* Min. Onley

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD...

*Hymn 117 *As With Gladness* DIX

To make your faith in Christ, to join this church by baptism, transfer of letter or statement of faith or to pray with the pastor, please come forward.

DEPARTING TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

Benediction Min. Onley

*Hymn 252 *Gloria Patri* GREATOREX

*Passing of the Peace: *The peace of the Lord be with you. And also with you.* Congregation

*Organ Postlude *How Firm A Foundation* David M. Cherwien

White is the color that adorns our altar table and pulpit this morning.
White is the color of light. It symbolizes Christ, joy, innocence and perfection.

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given by Pam Greenlaw
in honor of her mother's birthday, Nora Greenlaw.*

Please join us for coffee, tea, and fellowship in the narthex following the service.