

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

November 13, 2011

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

*“We come to praise God’s faithfulness”*

*“To listen for God’s guidance”*

*“To proclaim God’s word”*

**Prelude**

**Work of the Church** Rev. Duncan

**Chiming of the Trinity**

**Call to Worship** Psalm 90:1-2

**Acolyte Greeting** Brantley Rutherford  
*This is the day that the Lord has made!*  
*Let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

**Solo** “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us” Townend

**Affirmation of Faith** Rev. England Cole  
We know that God is in the world – was and is and will be.  
God made it all, and continues to renew and remake and resurrect.  
We know the power and energy of God in the Holy Spirit.  
We are filled with God’s joy and pledged to discipleship and love.  
We trust in God. We celebrate God. We work together for justice and peace through God.  
We are never alone. We are free in the chosen bonds of the ways of the Christ. Thanks be to God!

**Anthem** “To Whom Much Has Been Given” Callaway

**Scripture Reading NT #28** Matthew 25:14-30

**Sermon** “Playing it Safe” Dr. Moore

**\*Hymn #221** “When Morning Gilds the Sky” LAUDES DOMINI

**\*Invocation & Lord’s Prayer** Howell Peterson  
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, forever, AMEN.

**Scripture Reading NT #204** I Thessalonians 4:13-18

**Morning Prayer** Dr. Moore

**\*Hymn #51** “Creator God, Creating Still” ST. ANNE

**Offertory & Offering** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Prichard

*“To respond in faith”*

**Call to Commitment**

**\*Hymn #390** “We Are Called to Be God’s People” AUSTRIAN HYMN

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

**\*Gloria**

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

\* If able, please stand.

The acolytes today are Alcie Kreutzer, Brantley Rutherford and Hannah Shepard-Moore.  
\*Additional hymns are used with permission from OneLicense.net. (#A-715744)  
Our guest soloist is Aimee Jobe, a student of Melinda Whittington.  
The Affirmation of Faith is from Flames of the Spirit.

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

- Sardis Academy is this Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. Sign up in the vestibule for the Fellowship Dinner offered at 5:45. Choir Rehearsal follows at 7:30PM.
- If you would like to purchase a poinsettia for Advent and Christmas, please call the church office and order them by November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- The Outreach Committee meets today following worship.
- The Worship Development Team meets today following worship.
- Tweens will gather at the Meetinghouse at 5:15PM today for the Kyle Matthews concert as their Tween Time event.
- The congregation is invited to attend a benefit concert for Hyaets featuring Kyle Matthews and Larry McCullough at 6PM at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church.
- The 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship Service will be November 22 at 7PM. This service will be held at Temple Beth El.
- The Flower & Decorating Committee could use your help with the Chrismon Tree and seasonal decorating. To help, be at the Meetinghouse at 10 AM on Tuesday, November 22nd.

### **Sardis Baptist Church Worship Staff**

Rev. Tillie Duncan, Rev. Mandy England Cole,  
Dr. Tim Moore, pastors;  
Rev. Becky Proctor, interim minister of music;  
Irena Hramenkova, pianist.

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*Courage is not the absence of fear;  
it is the making of action  
in spite of fear,  
the moving out against the resistance  
engendered by fear into the unknown  
and into the future.  
--- Scott Peck, in  
The Road Less Traveled*



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