

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 21, 2011

Tenth 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 Dr. Moore

Chiming of the Trinity

Call to Worship “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *arr. Harris*

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

\*Hymn #216 “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” AZMON

\*Invocation & Lord’s Prayer David Kreutzer  
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.

\*Doxology  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures, here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Testimony of Faith Hannah Shepard-Moore

Affirmation of Faith Rev. England Cole  
We believe in God  
Whose love is the source of all life  
And the desire of our lives,  
Whose love was given a human face  
In Jesus of Nazareth,  
Whose love was crucified by the evil  
That waits to enslave us all  
And whose love, defeating even death,  
Is our glorious promise of freedom.  
Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful  
And full of doubt.  
In God we trust;  
And, in the name of Jesus Christ,  
We commit ourselves, in the service of others,  
To seek justice and to live in peace,  
To care for the earth  
And to share the commonwealth  
of God’s goodness,  
To live in the freedom of forgiveness  
And in the power of the Spirit of Love,  
And in the company of the faithful  
So to be the church,  
For the glory of God. Amen.

\*Hymn #498 “O God We Ask For Strength” ST.AGNES

Offertory & Offering Olivia Yang

\*Doxology  
Praise God the Source of life and birth.  
Praise God the Word, who came to earth.  
Praise God the Spirit, holy flame.  
All glory, honor to God’s name! Amen.

Morning Prayer

Solo “Be Thou My Vision” Childs

Scripture Reading NT #230 James 2:14-26

Sermon “Faith Without Works Is Dead” Dr. Moore

*“To respond in faith”*

Call to Commitment

\*Hymn #611 “Let Your Heart Be Broken” WYE VALLEY

\*Benediction

Postlude

\* If able, please stand.

We are thankful for Melinda Whittington and Olivia Yang for their musical offerings today.  
The acolytes today are Elisabeth Beltzhoover, Douglas Kennedy and Abby Shepard-Moore.  
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The Affirmation of Faith is from the Iona Community and can be found in the Iona Abbey Worship Book.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A Called Church Conference will be held today, August 21<sup>st</sup> for the purpose of calling Rev. Becky Proctor as our Interim Minister of Music.
- A Church Picnic will be held August 28<sup>th</sup>. The deacons will provide chicken and a cake in honor of our staff. Bring a side dish to share, invite friends and family, dress casually, and join in the fellowship around the table!
- Wednesday night suppers and Sardis Academy sessions will begin August 31<sup>st</sup>. Dinner at 5:45, children, youth and adult sessions begin at 6:30. Sardis Academy will focus on a four-week discussion about worship and music. Outcomes from the discussion will be used to prepare the congregation for the search for a new minister of music.
- Nomination forms for the Board of Trustees, Board on Committees, and Board of Deacons for 2012 are now available in the vestibule. An electronic copy is also available through the church office. Please fill out the forms with indicated nominations for each of the board position vacancies. Place the completed form in the designated box or submit to the church office. We ask for these to be submitted by Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>.
- The Worship Development Team meets today following worship.

### Sardis Baptist Church Worship Staff

Rev. Tillie Duncan, Rev. Mandy England Cole,  
Dr. Tim Moore, pastors;  
Irena Hramenkova, pianist.

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*“Perhaps the greatest heresy of twentieth-century American religion was to make faith into a purely personal matter and a private affair, which went neatly with the rise of the consumer society.”*

*--- Jim Wallis in Faith Works*

  
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