

**A SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
AND SCOUT SUNDAY
February 5, 2012**

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Procession of the Flags
Welcome

✚Ritual of Friendship
The Invitation

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Choral Call to Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: It is good to sing praises to our God. God is gracious and a song of praise is fitting.

All: **Great is the Lord, and abundant in power, whose understanding is beyond measure.**

One: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God with the lyre.

All: **You take pleasure in those who fear you and hope in your steadfast love.**

One: Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn # 52 "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven" Goss

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God, you heal the brokenhearted; save us from sin when we inflict pain on our neighbors. We bear grudges against those who deceive us. We seek revenge on those who hurt us. Some we judge inferior, since they don't meet our standards. Others we deem unworthy of our respect and support. Jesus had compassion upon all who were afflicted. Forgive us, O God, when our hearts are hardened, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(from Philippians 2)*

The assurance of our pardon lives in Jesus Christ, "who, though he was in the form of God, emptied himself, taking the form of a servant." Today, Christ represents us before God on behalf of our weakness. Therefore, let every knee bow, and let every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. Because of this, we have confidence that...

Unison: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*Sung Response "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" Watts

*"Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come.
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.*

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children's Church:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH OFFERINGS AND PRAISE

The Offering

Offertory

*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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A Reading from the Epistles: **James 2:14-26**

Sermon "On My Honor..."

***SHARING WHAT WE BELIEVE** *(The Apostle's Creed)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our LORD; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn # 158 "According to Thy Gracious Word" Verses 1 & 2 only

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

*Hymn # 442 "A Flag to Follow" Peterson

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

(+) *Ushers will seat latecomers*

(*) *Congregation please stand*

*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to
the glory of God and in honor of
Gloria Beard's 16th Birthday*