

MORNING WORSHIP

March 21, 2010

9:30 A.M.

(* indicates congregation will please stand)

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome-Tim Angus

* Call to Worship: (from Hebrews 12:2-3)

Leader: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith,

People: who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of God.

Leader: Let us consider him who endured such opposition from sinful people, so that we will not grow weary and lose heart.

* Opening Hymn: *What Wondrous Love* #379, *Psalter Hymnal*

* We Greet One Another

* Song of Praise: *The Power of the Cross*
(see handout by *Psalter Hymnals*)

* Opening Prayer

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Responsive Reading from *Our World Belongs to God*

Leader: In our world, bent under the weight of sin, Christ gathers a new community.

People: Satan and his evil forces seek whom they may confuse and swallow, but Jesus builds his church, his Spirit guides, and grace abounds. The church is a gathering of forgiven sinners, called to be holy, dedicated to service. Saved by the patient grace of God, we deal patiently with others.

Leader: When we struggle for the purity of the church and for the righteousness God demands, we pray for saintly courage.

People: When our pride or blindness blocks the unity of God's household, we seek forgiveness.

Leader: We marvel that the Lord gathers the broken pieces to do his work, and that he blesses us still with joy, new members, and surprising evidences of unity.

People: We commit ourselves to seeking and expressing the oneness of all who follow Jesus.

Hymn of Response: *Be Thou My Vision* (see insert)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 7:1-17 (p. 1056)

Message: **Living for God in the Present Situation**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn of Response: *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior*
#291, *Psalter Hymnal*

Spring Break Team Report

Morning Prayer

Offering (The second offering is for Geneva Campus Ministry.)

Offertory (While the offering is being taken, please sign and pass the red fellowship pads.)

* Hymn of Dedication: *When We Are Living* #193,
Sing! a new creation

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing from God

* Closing Hymn: *A New Commandment* #134, *Sing! a new creation*

* Postlude

Organ/Piano: Jill Friend