

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 7, 2006

11:00 AM

A nursery is available during the service. An usher will be happy to assist you.
Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available upon request from an usher.

Welcome and Announcements

Moments of Friendship

PRELUDE An Iona Boat Song arr. J.N.White
(Please take this time to silently prepare yourself to worship God.)

CALL TO WORSHIP Dylan Scott, Liturgist

Liturgist: Come, let us worship God.
People: It is right to give God our worship and praise.
Liturgist: Christ is Risen!
People: He is risen indeed!
Liturgist: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

*HYMN No. 371 Lift High the Cross

*CONFESSION OF SIN (In Unison)
Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

(Let each worshipper pray silently.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (The Presbyterian Hymnal, No. 579)

FIRST LESSON: Acts 4:5-12 (Pew Bible, NT Section, page 111)
Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God.
ANTHEM The Gift of Love arr. H.Hopson

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THE POWER OF THE CROSS

I Corinthians 1:18

- 1. THE CROSS SHOULD COMPEL
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SECOND LESSON: I John 3:16-24 (Pew Bible, NT Section, page 219)

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC The Cross Cyndy Bonsignore & Kim Atkinson

SERMON LESSON: I Corinthians 1:18 (Pew Bible, NT Section page 153)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON The Power of the Cross
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - (In Unison)

Matthew McManaway
Apostles' Creed (traditional)
The Presbyterian

Hymnal p. 14

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory
*PRESENTATION, The Doxology (The Presbyterian Hymnal, No. 592)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Supper
Words of Institution
Prayer of Blessing
Partaking of the Elements
Prayer of Thanksgiving

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
*HYMN No. 92 Beneath the Cross of Jesus

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Fanfare R.J.Powell
*Those who are able, please stand

MUSICAL NOTES

The Prelude, An Iona Boat Song, is representative of the music sung and played by the Iona Community. The Iona Community founded in 1938 by the Rev George MacLeod, is an ecumenical Christian community of men and women from different walks of life and different traditions in the Christian church that is committed to seeking new ways of living the gospel of Jesus Christ in today's world. This 'community' of believers is represented at most international music festivals by John Bell. In fact Mr. Bell is present at most major music and worship functions and workshops held by the Presbyterian Church (USA). This piece truly expresses the peace and simplicity that is the center of the beliefs of the Iona Community.

The Anthem, The Gift of Love, is based on the familiar text of I Corinthians 13. The tune is an early American folk tune, which was arranged to fit this text by Hal Hopson in 1972. It can be found in The Presbyterian Hymnal, as hymn No. 335. This piece is often used in a wedding, but is fitting in any service. The text of this anthem reads:

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love; my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be giv'n by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come spirit come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed.
By this we worship and are freed. Amen.