

Wintergarden Presbyterian Church



“Morning Has Broken”

Rev. Ruth Schaaff

September 25, 2011

Prelude

“It Is Well With My Soul”

Robert Thygerson

Welcome

Wintergarden Life

Pass the Peace of Christ

* Gathering Song (#276)

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” vs1

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Call to Worship [Responsive]

Psalm 78

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

People: We will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord and the wonders that God has done.

Leader: How in the daytime the Lord led them with a cloud, and all night long with a fiery light.

People: He split rocks open in the wilderness, and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.

Leader: Let us drink deeply of the Lord's goodness as we come into God's courts with praise!

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn (#469)

“Morning Has Broken”

1. Morning has broken Like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken Like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing Fresh from the Word!
2. Sweet the rain's new fall Sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall On the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness Of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness Where God's feet pass.
3. Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, Praise every morning,
God's recreation Of the new day!

*Prayer of Confession [Unison]

God of compassion, have mercy upon us as we make our confession. How often we do not do what we intended! What we confess is not how we act. We hear your word preached and we give our assent, but faith is found wanting when it comes time to obey. We are confronted by conflict; decisions are called for. Our desires are at odds with what you command and we do not do what you wish. O God, have mercy upon us and in Christ forgive us. Give us the strength to do your will.

*Silent Confession

* Assurance of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost!
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be...world without end! Amen. Amen.*

Words with Young Worshipers

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer [Unison]

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 debts as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn (#306)

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

1. Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of God to earth come down,
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
2. Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.
3. Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling, starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer,
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

First Reading

Genesis 1:1-6,9,11,14-20,24,26-27(NRSV)

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, ‘Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.’ And God said, ‘Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.’ And it was so. Then God said, ‘Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.’ And it was so. And God said, ‘Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.’ And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, ‘Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.’ And God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.’ And it was so. Then God said, ‘Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.’ So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:16-20 (NRSV)

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD!

The Word Proclaimed

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*Affirmation of Faith [Unison]

Apostles 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; 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 Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

“A Blessing”
Michael Shea

*Doxology [Unison]

*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.*

*Prayer of Dedication

Hymn (#467)

“How Great Thou Art” vs 1,3 & 4

1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin;
(Refrain)

4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!
(Refrain)

* Benediction

* Benediction Response

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again” vs1

God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, up-hold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”
Roger C. Wilson

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Called by Christ...Commissioned to Care!



WELCOME



Next week

World Communion Sunday And 'Peacemaking' Offering

The Peacemaking Offering was created in 1980 to support the efforts of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to live out a deeper commitment to peacemaking as part of our faithfulness to God. Our congregation retains 25 percent of the Offering it receives to use for local ministries of peacemaking within our church and community. Twenty-five percent is used by the presbytery and synod, and 50 percent is used by the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program!

Congregational Meeting

The Session has called a Congregational meeting for Sunday, October 2nd immediately following worship for the purpose of extending the term of the Elders elected May 1, 2011 to one year and two year terms an additional two months and to elect an Elder to fill a one year and two month term.

Note: The new Book of Order (G-2.0404) states that we cannot "elect" someone for a term of more than 3 years. However, the Elders elected May 1, 2011 for three year terms do not leave office until their replacement is elected and installed. Therefore they will automatically remain in place the extra two months.

Our Thoughts & Prayers are with...

Dick Adams; John Anderson; Ruth Arnold; Lloyd Barnes; Bart Bartholomew; Carol Boyle; Tammy Brandon; Becky Burrows; Maurice Chambers; Whitey Cowan; Anna D'Alessandro; Eleanor Dirrane; Lyz Flamand; Scott Flores; Mary Gero; Iris Hughes; Ginny Jones; Jeff Keyser; Derek Leach; Jim McCurry; Michael McKinnie; Steve Moore; Kyla Rash; Tommy Sardo; Bob Sheehan; Marilou Smith; Norma Speer; Bob Swails; Irene Thomas; Melissa Wilmer; Charles Woods & Fred Woods

Stewardship Commitment Update

Last week: \$??? Attendance: ??

News you can use...

Quilting Class

In October, we will be offering a quilting class on Tuesdays mornings from 9:30am –11:30am. Class size is limited to 8 participants. For more information please contact Faith Hall @ 627-0171 or Nancy Mitchell @ 743-5335

Choir

Choir practice will resume on Wednesday October 19th @ 5:30pm Warm up your voices and join us!

Buffy Bohach

The PRP Congregation of the Week



Cypress Lake Presbyterian, Fort Myers
Clint Cottrell, Pastor

Please pray for their congregation & leaders



Happenings this week at WPC

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Today	9-25	1:00pm	Hispanic Church
Today	9-25	11:30am	Worship Gathering
Tuesday	9-27	7:30pm	Hispanic Church
Wednesday	9-28	10:00am	Bible Study with Pastor Clyde
Friday	9-30	7:00pm	AA Meeting (closed)
Friday	9-30	7:30pm	Hispanic Church
Saturday	10-1	8:30am	A Walk in the Park
Sunday	10-2	9:30am	Sunday School (all ages)
Sunday	10-2	10:30am	Worship - Communion
Sunday	10-2	1:00pm	Hispanic Church

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