

**Morrisville Presbyterian Church**

**Morrisville, PA**

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent*

**February 21, 2010**

**10:30 a.m.**

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

*Vision*

Josef Rheinberger  
Will Carlson, Acolyte

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

Pastor Rosenau

**INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** from *A Brief Statement of Faith – PC(USA)*

Pastor Hancock

One: In life and in death we belong to God.

**All: Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

One: Let us worship God.

**\*HYMN 276 – *Great Is Thy Faithfulness***

FAITHFULNESS

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION – *Unison***

**Most merciful God whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy, we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. Amen.**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*RESPONSE TO GOD'S PARDON – HYMN 567 – *Glory to the Father***

GLORIA PATRI

**\*Congregation Standing (Those Who Are Able) \*\*\*Ushers Will Seat Worshipers**

**\*THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

*As a sign of their reconciliation in Christ, the people share the peace of Christ,  
greeting one another with these or similar words:  
“The peace of Christ be with you,” “Peace be with you,” or simply, “Peace.”*

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**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING – Deuteronomy 26:1-11** (Old Testament, page 174)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM OF THE DAY – Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16** (Old Testament, pages 518-519)

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

*K-2 children may leave for Cherub Choir rehearsal in the music room during the sermon.  
All other children return to the pews to continue worshipping with their families.*

**GOSPEL READING – Luke 4:1-13** (New Testament, page 57)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** *Using (or Abusing) The Story* Pastor Rosenau

**\*HYMN 521 – You Satisfy the Hungry Heart** FINEST WHEAT

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – Nicene Creed (Ecumenical Version)** *Presbyterian Hymnal*, p. 15

**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**OFFERING**

**Invitation**

**Offertory**

*Fantasy on Kingsfold* arr. Dean Wagner  
Chancel Chimes, Carol Houghton, director

**\*Doxology**

**INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

One: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God our creator and redeemer. In your wisdom, you made all things and sustain them by your power. You formed us in your image to love and serve you, but we forgot your promises and abandoned your commandments. In your mercy, you did not reject us but still claimed us as your own.

When we were slaves in Egypt you freed us and led us through the waters of the sea. You fed us with heavenly food in the wilderness, and satisfied our thirst from desert springs. On the holy mountain you gave us your law to guide us in your way. Through the waters of Jordan you led us into the land of your promise, and you sustained us in times of trial. You spoke through prophets calling us to turn from our willful ways to new obedience and righteousness. You sent your only Son to be the way to eternal life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

*Congregation and Choir sing Hymn No. 568:*

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

One: You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He took upon himself the weight of our sin and carried the burden of our guilt. He shared our life in every way, and though tempted, was sinless to the end. Baptized as your own, he went willingly to his death and by your power was raised to new life. In his dying and rising, you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death and the Spirit.

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us, and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

One: Great is the mystery of faith  
All: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

One: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ, and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

Help us, O God, to be obedient to your call to love all your children, to do justice and show mercy, and to live in peace with your whole creation. Guide us through the desert of life, quench our thirst with the living waters, satisfy our hunger with the bread of heaven.

Bring to our remembrance all those who, having served you on earth, now sing your praises eternally, especially Laura Prickett and Elsie Smith. May their endurance give us courage and their faithfulness give us hope; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection, when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory. Through Christ, all glory and honor are yours almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (debts/debtors, *Presbyterian Hymnal*, page 16)

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

(Singing *Eat This Bread*)

*Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and never be hungry.*

*Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.*

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*Forty Days and Forty Nights*  
*Piè Jesu*

Alexander Matthews  
Gabriel Fauré

The procession will begin with the front pews. As you come forward down the center aisle, you are invited to take bread, dip it in the cup and partake. Please return to your seat by the side aisle. Those who are unable to come to the Table will be served at their seat in the pews.

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION – unison**

**We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your Son who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**S E N D I N G**

**\*HYMN 429 – *Lord, You Give the Great Commission***

ABBOT'S LEIGH

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**W O R S H I P   N O T E S**

**COMMEMORATION OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED IN THE FAITH.**

At each celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, it is our custom to remember with gratitude the lives and witness of those members of this congregation who have died since the last time we gathered around this Holy Table. Today we give thanks to God for the lives of

*Laura Prickett* who died January 17, 2010

*Elsie Smith* who died January 23, 2010

Together with their families we take comfort in the promise of Christ: "Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die" (John 11:25-26).

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