

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The beginning of the opening voluntary is a call to silent personal preparation for the worship of God.*

## GATHERING

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

Sweet Spirit, Hear My Prayer . . . . . arr. Tim Justus  
Rick Sonntag, *trumpet*; Jeffrey DeVault, *piano*

### CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . John Hubbell

*Leader:* The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

*Leader:* Sing aloud to God, our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

***People:* Raise a song, sound the tambourine; on lyre and harp make melody to God.**

*Leader:* Let us offer to God our sacrifice of praise, for God alone is worthy.

***People:* Our Creator declared never to forsake us. So we sing with joy and will not be afraid.**

\*HYMN -- Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love . . . . . #367

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together) . . . . . John Weicher

**We hear it over and over again in your scripture for today: Remember those in prison, remember those who are tortured, remember our leaders. But we forget. We forget those whom you ask us to love. We forget those in difficult situations. We forget that everyone is our sister, our brother, our neighbor. Forgive our forgetfulness. Cure our convenient amnesia. Expand our memories to include more of your children. Transform us into the people you ask us to be. Amen.**

### SILENT PRAYER

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

*\*All who are able, please stand.*

\*RESPONSE -- Spirit of the Living God . . . . . Hymn #322

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

### \*THE PEACE

### OUR LIFE TOGETHER

## THE WORD

MUSIC -- A Trumpeter's Lullaby . . . . . Leroy Anderson

Rick Sonntag, Justin Sonntag, Derek Sonntag

*trumpets*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING -- Luke 14:1, 7-14 (NT, p. 77)

PSALTER -- Psalm 81:6-16 (OT, p. 541), *responsively*

### A TIME WITH CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Children ages 4 through 8 may leave for Christian enrichment in the lavender room (across from the nursery). Older children are invited to remain in worship.

\*HYMN -- Open My Eyes That I May See . . . . . #324

SECOND READING -- Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (NT, p. 227)

*Pastor:* The Word of the Lord

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

SERMON -- The High Ground . . . . . John Weicher

***The Swarthmore Presbyterian Church***  
*Swarthmore, Pennsylvania*

**August 29, 2010**  
**10:15 a.m.**

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** -- All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name . . . arr. Oliver Holden

**\*DOXOLOGY** . . . . . Hymn tune #416  
Glory be to our Creator, praise to our Redeemer Lord.  
Glory be to our Sustainer, ever three and ever one.  
As it was in the beginning, now and evermore shall be.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

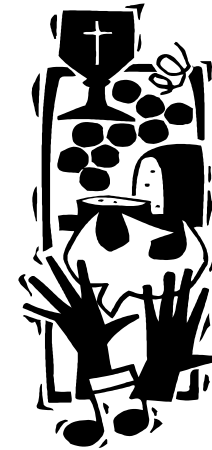
**SENDING**

**\*HYMN** -- Though I May Speak . . . . . #335

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**  
Trumpet Tune in F . . . . . David Johnson

*Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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