

February 20, 2011

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Hear the word of God: “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

P: We choose holiness and reject futile thinking.

L: We look today at life and turn our eyes from the vanities of this world.

P: We want to be holy, for the Lord is holy.

L: We affirm that we belong to Christ.

P: We crave his wisdom and his ways. Amen.

*HYMN

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

UMH No. 64

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, forgive us for our sins against our community. Forgive us for when we have not provided for the poor or the alien in our land. Forgive us when we have not paid just wages to those who labor. Forgive us when we fail to forgive and instead insist upon an “eye for an eye” or a “tooth for a tooth.” We give thanks for the assurance of forgiveness and ask your help to move beyond our sin and live as holy people. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the Good News, Christ died for us while we were yet sinners, that proves God’s love for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

MISSION MOMENT

McLane Stone

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF REFLECTION *“Lead Me, Lord”*

UMH No. 473

MORNING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 5:38-48

SERMON

“But I Like My Left Cheek!”

Rev. Stephen Cady

*HYMN

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

UMH No. 402

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

OFFERTORY *Please put your name on offering envelope.*

GIVING OF GIFTS, TITHES, OFFERINGS

(In response to God’s love, we offer our gifts, reflecting on what God has done in our lives this week.)

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We bring these offerings to you, O Lord, not because you need them, but because you are holy. Through these resources we ask that he who is without a cloak be clothed, and she who is hungry be fed. We bring these offerings before you and ask that they be used to fulfill your holy purposes. Amen.

*HYMN

“Freely, Freely”

UMH No. 389

*CIRCLE OF LOVE o *Lift Every Voice and Sing, No. 519*

*LORD’S PRAYER

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.