

March 6, 2011

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

P: We are called to be God's people.

L: As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him to the peak of another mountain,

P: We are called to follow wherever he leads.

L: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice,

P: We are called to worship in wonder and praise. Amen.

*HYMN "Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies" UMH No. 173

PRAYER OF CONFESSION **Though we want to walk with Moses and see God's holy radiance, we often hide in the mist of our own desires, unable to perceive the presence of God's grace. While we want a world of justice and peace, we walk in clouds of selfishness, unable to share God's loving-kindness. Though we want to follow Jesus up the mountain, we cower in fear, unable to bear the light of God.** 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 **

Grace Turner

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Exodus 24:12-18*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF REFLECTION "Lead Me, Lord"

UMH No. 473

PASTORAL PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 9:2-8

SERMON

"Close Encounters"

Rev. Stephen Cady

*HYMN "O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair" UMH No. 258

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.) (The Hope/Hunger Collection will be taken today.)

*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.

SERVICE OF THE LORD'S TABLE

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Please note that we use grape juice instead of wine for communion.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING **Luminous Giver of all good things, in your presence, everything is gift. Bless these gifts of bread and the cup, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, that they may nourish us for the work of healing your creation, in the name of Christ, our light and the light of the world. Amen.**

*HYMN "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" UMH No. 103

*CIRCLE OF LOVE *o Blest Be The Tie That Binds, No. 557 v. 1*

*LORD'S PRAYER *BENEDICTION *POSTLUDE

* For those who are able, please stand