

Proposed Worship Plans

Winter - Spring, 2006
New Years Day through Easter, Year B
1st Draft

[Zion West Walworth United Methodist Church](#)
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Worship: *def.* - to give praise and thanksgiving to God. This is what we do as faithful people of God; we gather weekly to return to God our praise and thanks.

This is an early draft, purposely left incomplete, easily changeable, and meant to gently guide our worship life in a common direction. It only becomes complete when the members of our faith communities have an opportunity to add input, make changes, and include plans. Your input is vital! This guide is adaptable for our worship experience, 9:30 am each Sunday.

This is a resource for all church people; musicians, vocalists, liturgists, acolytes, communion stewards, altar guild, flower coordinators, Sunday school teachers, church leaders, ushers, greeters, youth leaders, janitors, confirmation class participants, mission leaders, even the visitor off the street. We are blessed with a marvelous Music Ministry, including a [Senior Choir](#), occasional children's choirs, and our own "[Zion Youth Band!](#)"

Every week, the [bulletin](#), [scripture lessons](#), and [sermon](#) are posted on the church web page. [Archived sermons](#) are also available for you to review.

In the United Methodist Church we recognize two sacraments: Baptism and Holy Communion.

Baptism is what makes a person a Christian- a follower, a disciple of Jesus Christ. It is God's gracious acceptance of the person into the community. It is God's acceptance; therefore, Baptism may take place at any age. Because it is the initiation into the community of faith, it is most appropriate to take place in the worship setting. Baptism can only be done once in life, is done using the symbolism of water sprinkled or poured over the head, and is recognized by most other mainline Christian denominations.

If Baptism takes place at an early age, children have an opportunity to confirm what was done on their behalf by taking Confirmation classes and formally joining the membership. This is generally done when the child is in the 7th or 8th grade. Confirmation classes are held in the Spring of each year. For more information, read our [FAQs about Baptism](#).

Holy Communion, also known as Eucharist, is generally held the first Sunday of each month and on other special days. The liturgy is the same at all services. We alternate between using a common loaf and cup (which necessitates Intinction- the dipping of the bread into the wine) and using prepared bread and individual communion cups. We also alternate the practice of being served at the altar rail and being served at the front of the aisle. At all times, people are welcome to

sit, stand, or kneel at the altar rail in prayer.

Gifts for the Walworth Food Pantry may be left at the altar rail during any service where Eucharist is celebrated. Non-perishable food items, personal health care items, and gifts of money are gratefully received. This continues the first century practice of tying the Eucharist with mission for those in need.

All who desire to draw close to Jesus are welcome to receive communion in The United Methodist Church. The table is open to people of all ages, races, and conditions. All those physically unable to approach the table may be served in their seat- please make your needs known to an usher.

A Note on Weddings and Funerals:

Weddings. Weddings are a joyous time, marking one of life's most wonderful passage. It is appropriate to call the worshipping community together to witness the making of vows and to give God thanks for the love that brought the bride and groom to this moment. To schedule a wedding- call [(585) 703-9235 cell, (315) 524-2982 home office] or email (tgoddard@rochester.rr.com) pastor Todd. Include your name, address, phone number, and requested date. A confidential form will be sent to you by the pastor for you to fill out and return. Once returned, the rehearsal and wedding dates will be reserved on a first come, first served basis. The pastor will call the couple to set up a time for a pre-marital consultation (1 to 2 hours) before the rehearsal. There are no fees for contributing members and friends of Zion. For those not already recorded as contributing, the fees are as follows: \$150 church, \$150 pastor, \$50 pianist, \$20 custodian. A valid marriage license must be presented to the pastor, along with payment of all fees, at the rehearsal.

Funerals. Funerals are a time to grieve the loss of a loved one and to give thanks to God for their life. Calling hours, funerals, and memorial services can take place at the funeral home or at the church building. It is greatly suggested that funerals and memorial services be held at the church building, with a closed casket, for church members and friends. The family entrusts the arrangements to the funeral director. The pastor is entrusted with the worship and rituals of the church. It is helpful that the pastor be notified of impending sickness or death, so that pastoral care can begin at the earliest possible time. When the family makes arrangements with the funeral director, they are to request that the funeral, memorial service, and / or interment be conducted by Zion's pastor. It is the responsibility of the funeral director to contact the pastor and to finalize arrangements for the worship and ritual components. The pastor will arrange to meet with the family to plan the services and to consider other church arrangements. There are no fees for members and friends of Zion. The funeral director may request that a gift be made to the pastor. For funerals of those not affiliated with the church family, the fees are collected by the funeral director, and are \$100 - \$150 for the pastor and \$50 - \$100 for the pianist. Additional services will require additional fees.

A Note on the Holy Bible, Translations, and the Place of Scripture: When in seminary, I learned the value of keeping up to date with the latest, most scholarly, best translation available. Therefore, I use the **New Revised Standard Version**, (NRSV) and would encourage my parish to do likewise. As United Methodists, we honor the living Word, Jesus Christ. To learn more go to UMC.org >

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Sunday, January 1, 2006

Color: White

The 7th Day of Christmas

Holy Communion: Service of Word and Table IV, pg. 26-31

8:30 am Breakfast with the Pastor

Communion in the Pews

Receiving gifts for the Walworth Food Pantry

Communion Steward:

Liturgist:

Theme: There is a time and place for all things of this world and in heaven.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 8 (UMH 743)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Ecclesiastes 3:1-13 and Revelations 21:1-6a

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 25:31-46

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "A Time for Every Matter"

Third Hymn:

Ecclesiastes

¹For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

²a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;

³a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

⁴a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

⁵a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;

a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

⁶a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away;

⁷a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

⁸a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

⁹What gain have the workers from their toil? ¹⁰I have seen the business that God has given to everyone to be busy with. ¹¹He has made everything suitable for its time; moreover he has put a sense of past and future into their minds, yet they cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. ¹²I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; ¹³moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil.

Friday, January 6, 2006

The Epiphany of the Lord

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The Time After The Epiphany, 2006 – Sunday, January 8th – Sunday, February 26th

Sunday, January 8, 2006

Color: White

The Baptism of the Lord

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus is baptized in the Jordan River and is recognized by the Holy Spirit.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 29 (UMH 761)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Genesis 1:1-5 and Acts 19:1-7

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:4-11

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "The Heavens are Torn"

Third Hymn:

Mark 1:4-11

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Sunday, January 15, 2006

Color: Green

The Second Sunday After the Epiphany

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael into his service as disciples.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 139:16, 13-18 (UMH 854)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: 1 Samuel 3:1-20 and 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51

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Second Hymn:

Sermon:

“Greater are the Things”

Third Hymn:

John 1:43-51

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.”

⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” ⁵⁰Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

Sunday, January 22, 2006

Color: Green

The Third Sunday After the Epiphany

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus calls two sets of brothers - Simon and Andrew, James and John – to be his disciples.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 62:5-12 (UMH 787)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 and 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:14-20

Second Hymn:

Sermon: “When the Time is Fulfilled”

Third Hymn:

Mark 1:14-20

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets.

²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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Sunday, January 29, 2006
The Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

Color: Green

Liturgist:

Theme: A man with an unclean spirit confronts Jesus while in a synagogue in Galilee. Jesus casts him out.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 111(UMH 832)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Deuteronomy 18:15-20 and 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:21-28

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Authority and Confidence"

Third Hymn:

Mark 1:21-28

²¹They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught.

²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "**Be silent, and come out of him!**" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Sunday, February 5, 2006

Color: Green

The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

Holy Communion: Musical Setting A, pg. 17-18

8:30 am Breakfast with the Pastor

Communion: Walk By

Receiving gifts for the Walworth Food Pantry

Communion Steward:

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus heals Simon's mother-in-law, leading many sick and possessed people to seek him out for healing. Jesus retreats to a quiet place to pray.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 147:1-11,20c (UMH 859)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Isaiah 40:21-31 and 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:29-39

Second Hymn:

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Sermon:

"In Fever's Grip"

Third Hymn:

Mark 1:29-39

²⁹As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once.

³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons.

³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Sunday, February 12, 2006

Color: Green

The Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus heals a man with leprosy and tells him to go to the priests to be purified, but to tell no one what has been done for him.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 30 (UMH 762)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: 2 Kings 5:1-14 and 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:40-45

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Say Nothing"

Third Hymn:

Mark 1:40-45

⁴⁰A leper came to him begging him, and kneeling he said to him, "If you choose, you can make me clean." ⁴¹Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, "I do choose. Be made clean!" ⁴²Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. ⁴³After sternly warning him he sent him away at once, ⁴⁴saying to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them." ⁴⁵But he went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the word, so that Jesus could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country; and people came to him from every quarter.

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Sunday, February 19, 2006
The Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany
Liturgist:

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Theme: Jesus heals a paralytic who had been lowered through the ceiling to demonstrate to the scribes that he had sufficient authority to forgive sins.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 41 (UMH 776)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Isaiah 43:18-25 and 2 Corinthians 1:18-22

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 2:1-12

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Authority to Forgive"

Third Hymn:

Mark 2:1-12

¹When he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. ²So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. ³Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. ⁴And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. ⁵When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." ⁶Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, ⁷"Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" ⁸At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? ⁹Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Stand up and take your mat and walk'? ¹⁰But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic—"I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home." ¹²And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

Sunday, February 26, 2006
The Eighth Sunday After the Epiphany / Transfiguration of the Lord
Liturgist:

Color: Green

Theme: Jesus calls Levi after teaching by the sea. Then Jesus joins Levi for dinner at his home, leading to the religious authorities questioning his actions.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 103:1-13, 22 (UMH 824) / Psalm 50:1-6 (UMH 783)

First Hymn:

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Bible Lessons: Hosea 2:14-20 and 2 Corinthians 3:13-22 / 2 Kings 2:1-12 and 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 2:13-22 / Mark 9:2-9

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "New Wine into New Wineskins"

Third Hymn:

Mark 2:13-22

¹³Jesus went out again beside the sea; the whole crowd gathered around him, and he taught them. ¹⁴As he was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁵And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples—for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹⁷When Jesus heard this, he said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting; and people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" ¹⁹Jesus said to them, "The wedding guests cannot fast while the bridegroom is with them, can they? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. ²⁰The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day.

²¹"No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak; otherwise, the patch pulls away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made. ²²And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins; but one puts new wine into fresh wineskins."

Tuesday, February 28, 2006
Mardi Gras

Lent, 2006 – Wednesday, March 1st to Saturday, April 15th

Wednesday, March 1, 2006

Color: Purple

Ash Wednesday

Service Time: TBA

Liturgist:

Theme: Ash Wednesday marks the start of the season of Lent. Ashes are imposed with the words "from ashes you have come, and to ashes you shall return" as a means to remind individuals of the mortality of the human body and the immortality of the human soul.

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Choral Call:
Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 51:1-17(UMH 785)
First Hymn:
Bible Lessons: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 and 2 Corinthians 5:20b – 6:10
Choral Anthem / Special Music:
Children's Sermon
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
Second Hymn:
Sermon: N/A
Third Hymn:

Sunday, March 5, 2006
The First Sunday of Lent
8:30 am Breakfast with the Pastor

Color: Purple
Holy Communion: Musical Setting B, pg. 18-20
Communion at the Altar Rail
Receiving gifts for the Walworth Food Pantry

Communion Steward:
Liturgist:
Theme:
Choral Call:
Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 25:1-10(UMH 756)
First Hymn:
Bible Lessons: Genesis 9:8-17 and 1 Peter 3:18-22
Choral Anthem / Special Music:
Children's Sermon
Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:9-15
Second Hymn:
Sermon: "40 Days of Temptation"
Third Hymn:

Mark 1:9-15

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Sunday, March 12, 2006
The Second Sunday of Lent

Color: Purple

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus makes his first prediction regarding his forthcoming suffering. His words result in Peter's rebuke. To which, Jesus spits "Get behind me, Satan!"

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 22:23-31 (UMH 752)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 and Romans 4:13-25

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 8:31-38

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Saving Your Life"

Third Hymn:

Mark 8:31-38

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." ^{9:1}And he said to them, "Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."

Sunday, March 19, 2006

Color: Purple

The Third Sunday of Lent

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus cleanses the Temple.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 19 (UMH 750)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Exodus 20:1-17 and 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 2:13-22

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Raising the Temple"

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Third Hymn:

John 2:13-22

¹³The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶He told those who were selling the doves, **"Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"** ¹⁷His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹Jesus answered them, **"Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."** ²⁰The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²²After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Sunday, March 25, 2006

Color: Purple

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Liturgist:

Theme: The Father's purpose for sending Jesus into the world.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (UMH 830)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Numbers 21:4-9 and Ephesians 2:1-10

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 3:14-21

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "For God So Loved the World"

Third Hymn:

John 3:14-21

¹⁴**And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,**
¹⁵**that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.**

¹⁶**"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.**

¹⁷**"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."**

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Sunday, April 2, 2006

Color: Purple

Time Change! Clocks are advanced one hour

The Sixth Sunday of Lent

8:30 am Breakfast with the Pastor

Holy Communion: Musical Setting D, pg. 23-24

Communion at the Altar Rail

Receiving gifts for the Walworth Food Pantry

Communion Steward:

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus uses a grain of wheat as a metaphor for his forthcoming death and the benefit it will bring.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 51:1-12 (UMH 785)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Jeremiah 31:31-34 and Hebrews 5:5-10

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 12:20-33

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "It Is For This Reason ..."

Third Hymn:

John 12:20-33

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Holy Week 2006 – Sunday, April 9th to Sunday, April 16th

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Sunday, April 9, 2006
Palm / Passion Sunday

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Liturgist:

Theme: The liturgy of the Palms is followed by the liturgy of the Passion

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (UMH 839) / Psalm 31:9-16 (UMH 764)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: N/A / Isaiah 50:4-9a and Philippians 2:5-11

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 11:1-11 / Mark 14:1- 15:47

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Amazing Love"

Third Hymn:

Thursday, April 13, 2006
Maundy Thursday

Color: White

Holy Communion: A Service of Word and Table IV, pg. 26-31
Communion will be Celebrated at the Altar Rail

Communion Steward

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus washes the feet of his disciples, teaching them the importance of love.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (UMH 837)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Exodus 12:1-14 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Love and Service"

Third Hymn:

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

¹Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

²The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper ³Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing,

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but later you will understand.”⁸Peter said to him, “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.”⁹Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!”¹⁰Jesus said to him, “One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.”¹¹For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, “Not all of you are clean.”

¹²After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you?”¹³You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. ¹⁴So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. ¹⁵For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. ¹⁶Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. ¹⁷If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

“Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’”³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Friday, April 14, 2006

Color: Black

Good Friday

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus is crucified.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 22 (UMH 752)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Isaiah 52:13– 53:12 and Hebrews 10:16-25

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 18:1– 19:42

Second Hymn:

Sermon: “Atonement”

Third Hymn:

Easter, 2006 – Sunday, April 16th – Sunday, May 28th

Sunday, April 16, 2006

Color: White

Easter: The First Sunday of Easter

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and as a result, brings the gift of salvation to the world.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 118:12, 14-24 (UMH 839)

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First Hymn:
Bible Lessons: Acts 10:34-43 and 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Choral Anthem / Special Music:
Children's Sermon
Gospel Lesson: John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8
Second Hymn:
Sermon: "Amazing Grace"
Third Hymn:

John 20:1-18

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Sunday, April 23, 2006

Color: White

Easter: The Second Sunday of Easter

Liturgist:

Theme: The sermon will focus on the Epistle readings during the Easter season, all of which come from the letter of 1 John. We have been cleansed of sin and given an advocate in Jesus Christ, through His righteous acts.

Choral Call:

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Psalter / Call to Worship:	Psalm 133 (UMH 850)
First Hymn:	
Bible Lessons:	Acts 4:32-35 and 1 John 1:1– 2:2
Choral Anthem / Special Music:	
Children's Sermon	
Gospel Lesson:	John 20:19-31
Second Hymn:	
Sermon:	"The Atoning Sacrifice"
Third Hymn:	

1 John 1:1– 2:2

¹We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—²this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

¹My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Sunday, April 30, 2006

Color: White

Easter: The Third Sunday of Easter

Liturgist:

Theme: Followers of Christ are known as God's children.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship:	Psalm 4 (UMH 741)
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First Hymn:

Bible Lessons:	Acts 3:12-19 and 1 John 3:1-7
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Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson:	Luke 24:36b-48
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Second Hymn:

Sermon:	"Children"
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Third Hymn:

1 John 3:1-7

^{3:1}See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Sunday, May 7, 2006

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am Breakfast with the Pastor

Color: White

Holy Communion: Musical Setting A, pg. 17-18

Communion in the Pews

Receiving gifts for the Walworth Food Pantry

Communion Steward:

Liturgist:

Theme: Love means being prepared to give your life for others. Believe in Jesus and love one another.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship:

Psalms 23 (UMH 754 or 137)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons:

Acts 4:5-12 and 1 John 3:16-24

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson:

John 10:11-18

Second Hymn:

Sermon:

"Laying Down Our Lives"

Third Hymn:

1 John 3:16-24

¹⁶We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. ¹⁷How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

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²³And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Sunday, May 14, 2006

Color: White

Easter: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

Liturgist:

Theme: God is love.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 22:25-31 (UMH 752)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Acts 8:26-40 and 1 John 4:7-21

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 15:1-8

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Confessions of Love"

Third Hymn:

1 John 4:7-21

⁷Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Sunday, May 21, 2006

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Easter: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Liturgist:

Theme: We love God and, therefore, we obey His commandments.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 98 (UMH 818)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Acts 10:44-48 and 1 John 5:1-6

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 15:9-17

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Conquering the World"

Third Hymn:

1 John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Sunday, May 28, 2006

Color: White

Easter: The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Joint worship service with the West Walworth Baptist Church

West Walworth Baptist Church building

Following worship, children will lead adults to the cemetery and place flowers on the graves of veterans while the roll call is read.

Taps will be played by Nicholas Goddard and Jason Saxton

Liturgist:

Theme:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 1 (UMH 738)

Bible Lessons: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 and 1 John 5:9-13

Gospel Lesson: John 17:6-19

Sermon: (pastor Gwyn will be preaching)

Sunday, June 4, 2006

Color: Red

Pentecost

Holy Communion: Musical Setting B, pg. 18-20

8:30 am Breakfast with the Pastor

Walk By Communion

Receiving gifts for the Walworth Food Pantry

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Communion Steward:

Liturgist:

Theme: The Holy Spirit comes as promised. Everyone who attends is encouraged to wear red!

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (UMH 826)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Acts 2:1-21 and Romans 8:22-27

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "Deep the Breath"

Third Hymn:

Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,

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blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
20 The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Sunday, June 11, 2006

Color: White

Trinity Sunday – The First Sunday After Pentecost

Liturgist:

Theme: The Pharisee Nicodemus comes under cover of darkness to talk with Jesus about how Jesus is able to do these signs.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 29 (UMH 761)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: Isaiah 6:1-8 and Romans 8:12-17

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: John 3:1-17

Second Hymn:

Sermon: "The Wind Blows Where It Chooses"

Third Hymn:

John 3:1-17

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

¹¹"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

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¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Sunday, June 18, 2006

Color: Green

Proper 6

Liturgist:

Theme: Jesus uses seeds and sowing as metaphors for the Kingdom of God.

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 20 or 72 (UMH 795)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: 1 Samuel 15:34– 16:13 and 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 4:26-34

Second Hymn:

Sermon: “A Seed's Life”

Third Hymn:

Mark 4:26-34

²⁶He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

³⁰He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Pastor Todd will taking vacation over the two Sundays, June 25 and July 2. Supply preachers or other arrangements will need to be made. Monthly Holy Communion will be postponed one week and will be celebrated on Sunday, July 9th.

Sunday, June 25, 2006

Color: Green

Proper 7

Supply Preacher:

Liturgist:

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Theme:
 Choral Call:
 Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 9:9-20 (UMH 744)
 First Hymn:
 Bible Lessons: 1 Samuel 17:32-49 and 2 Corinthians 6:1-13
 Choral Anthem / Special Music:
 Children's Sermon
 Gospel Lesson: Mark 4:35-41
 Second Hymn:
 Sermon:
 Third Hymn:

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “**Let us go across to the other side.**” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “**Peace! Be still!**” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “**Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?**” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

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Color: Green

Proper 8

Supply Preacher:

Liturgist:

Theme:

Choral Call:

Psalter / Call to Worship: Psalm 130 (UMH 848)

First Hymn:

Bible Lessons: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 and 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Choral Anthem / Special Music:

Children's Sermon

Gospel Lesson: Mark 5:21-43

Second Hymn:

Sermon:

Third Hymn:

Mark 5:21-43

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when

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he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “**Who touched my clothes?**” ³¹And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘**Who touched me?**’” ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, “**Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.**”

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “**Do not fear, only believe.**” ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, “**Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.**” ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, “**Talitha cum,**” which means, “**Little girl, get up!**” ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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