

# *Celebration of Worship*

## *Welcome!*

*We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today. We pray that God blesses you with His presence as you have blessed us with yours. Please sign the registration notebook when it is passed along your row. If you are interested in church membership, a tan "How You Can Belong" sheet on the inside of each registration notebook should be of assistance. Please contact the pastor with any questions as we want to be helpful to you.*



### **Prelude**

#### **\*Greeting**

*\*Indicates congregation standing as able*

Rev. John R. Rech

#### **\*Hymn**

Love Divine All Loves Excelling  
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Hymnal No. 384  
Hymnal No. 349

#### **\*Affirmation of Faith**

A Modern Affirmation

Hymnal No. 885

#### **\*Gloria Patri**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen*

#### **Registration and Announcements**

Joe Vertrees

#### **Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Rech

Leader: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you**

Leader: Let us pray (Leader offers a prayer followed by The Lord's Prayer)

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

#### **Offertory**

#### **\*Doxology**

Hymnal No. 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## **Mountainside United Methodist Church**

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Rev. John R. Rech – Pastor

Joe Vertrees – Lay Reader

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

February 28, 2010

Anthem Cantate Domino Mountainside Choir

Message Honey in the Lion Rev. Rech  
Judges 13-16 (selected texts)

\*Hymn of Invitation Grace Greater Than Our Sin Hymnal No. 365

**\*Benediction**

**\*New Member Response**

We rejoice to recognize you as (a member/members) of Christ's Holy Church and welcome you to Mountainside United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold the church with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness.

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**Judges 13:1-5**

*<sup>1</sup>Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD, so the LORD delivered them into the hands of the Philistines for forty years. <sup>2</sup>A certain man of Zorah, named Manoah, from the clan of the Danites, had a wife who was sterile and remained childless. The angel of the LORD appeared to her and said, "You are sterile and childless, but you are going to conceive and have a son. <sup>4</sup>Now see to it that you drink no wine or other fermented drink and that you do not eat anything unclean, <sup>5</sup>because you will conceive and give birth to a son. No razor may be used on his head, because the boy is to be a Nazirite, set apart to God from birth, and he will begin the deliverance of Israel from the hands of the Philistines."*

**Judges 14:5-9**

*<sup>5</sup>Samson went down to Timnah together with his father and mother. As they approached the vineyards of Timnah, suddenly a young lion came roaring toward him. <sup>6</sup>The Spirit of the LORD came upon him in power so that he tore the lion apart with his bare hands as he might have torn a young goat. But he told neither his father nor his mother what he had done. <sup>7</sup>Then he went down and talked with the woman, and he liked her. <sup>8</sup>Some time later, when he went back to marry her, he turned aside to look at the lion's carcass. In it was a swarm of bees and some honey, <sup>9</sup>which he scooped out with his hands and ate as he went along. When he rejoined his parents, he gave them some, and they too ate it. But he did not tell them that he had taken the honey from the lion's carcass.*

**Judges 16:4-5**

*<sup>4</sup>Some time later, he fell in love with a woman in the Valley of Sorek whose name was Delilah. <sup>5</sup>The rulers of the Philistines went to her and said, "See if you can lure him into showing you the secret of his great strength and how we can overpower him so we may tie him up and subdue him. Each one of us will give you eleven hundred shekels of silver."*

## Announcements

**IN THE DUST OF THE RABBI** - Did you ever wonder what it was like to be one of Jesus' disciples and to experience following him through the different cities and towns? If you would like to get a close up experience and understanding of being a disciple of Jesus, then join us for a three week series called "In The Dust of the Rabbi." This event will take place **March 14, 21 and 28** which will involve two components. The first part is a video presentation presented by Ray Vander Laan who takes you on site to the homes and villages in Israel to see first hand what it was like growing up during the time of Jesus. **Each Sunday School Class** will be offering this excellent video presentation on Sunday morning with a discussion to follow. Secondly, there will be a three part "In the Dust of the Rabbi" sermon series to further explore the meaning of discipleship during the time of Jesus and how that relates to our calling today. Listings of the Sunday School Classes and their location will be on the bulletin board in the foyer or visit our website at [www.mountainsidemethodist.org](http://www.mountainsidemethodist.org) and click on "ministries." We invite you to join us on this special journey.

**Did you miss a Sunday morning sermon?** We invite you to visit our website at [www.mountainsidemethodist.org](http://www.mountainsidemethodist.org) and click on "Recent Sermons." You can listen to messages that you may have missed.

**Bookkeeper email** - If you have questions or information for the bookkeeper, Jan Morris, you can email her at [jan@mountainsidemethodist.org](mailto:jan@mountainsidemethodist.org).

**Altar Flowers** - If you wish to sign up for altar flowers, the flower calendar is on the bulletin board in the hallway.

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### THIS WEEK at Mountainside

**Today, Sunday, February 28**

9:00 a.m. Classic Worship  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Contemporary  
Worship

**Wednesday, March 3**

12:00 p.m. AA  
6:00 p.m. AA  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

**Friday, March 5**

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon  
12:00 p.m. AA

**Saturday, March 6**

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study

**Monday, March 1**

12:00 p.m. AA  
6:00 p.m. Women's AA

**Thursday, March 4**

9:30 a.m. Bible Study & Pot Luck  
6:30 p.m. CWS Band Practice  
6:30 p.m. Jug Band  
7:00 p.m. AA

**Tuesday, March 2**

10:00 a.m. EM Food Pantry  
7:00 p.m. AA

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**Sunday, March 7**

9:00 a.m. Classic Worship  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Contemporary  
Worship