

# *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.*



Offering  
of the  
First Fruits

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Rev. John R. Rech – Pastor  
Joe Vertrees – Lay Reader  
9:00 a.m. Worship Service  
November 8, 2009

### **Prelude**

### **\*Greeting**

Rev. John R. Rech

*\*Indicates congregation standing as able*

### **\*Hymn**

For The Beauty of the Earth

Hymnal No. 92

### **\*Psalter**

Psalm 100 (Response 1)

Hymnal No. 821

### **Registration and Announcements**

Joe Vertrees

### **Stewardship Moment**

Lowell Wagner

### **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. 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose  
power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.*

**Anthem** Grace Mountainside Choir

**Scripture** Various Texts

**Message** Reasons Why I Give Rev. Rech

**\*Hymn** Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus Hymnal No. 462

**\*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 and our service.

Numbers 15:19-21

<sup>19</sup>*and you eat the food of the land, present a portion as an offering to the LORD.*  
<sup>20</sup>*Present a cake from the first of your ground meal and present it as an offering from the threshing floor. <sup>21</sup>Throughout the generations to come you are to give this offering to the LORD from the first of your ground meal.*

Nehemiah 10:37

<sup>37</sup>*Moreover, we will bring to the storerooms of the house of our God, to the priests, the first of our ground meal, of our grain offerings, of the fruit of all our trees and of our new wine and oil. And we will bring a tithe of our crops to the Levites, for it is the Levites who collect the tithes in all the towns where we work.*

**Announcements**

**Flowers** this Sunday are given by Bette Zimmerman in memory of her son Eric.

**Consecration Sunday is Coming!** Today during the service we will be passing out and collecting **reservation cards** for our church-wide luncheon on Consecration Sunday November 15. This is NOT a pot-luck but instead a free catered meal following the 9:00 a.m. worship service that will be held in the Sanctuary. This meal is simply an appreciation for your participation in this special event of our church.

**Open Forum on Church Finances** – Today, Sunday November 8 at 10:15 a.m. in the Foyer there will be an open forum to ask any questions you may have concerning the finances (income and expenses) of Mountainside UMC. Copies of the budget will be available and the pastor and members of the Finance Committee will be present to answer any questions that you may have.

**Youth Retreat** – Come join us for the “Faith Prints” Youth Retreat Saturday November 21-22 at Glorieta Conference Center. This will be a time to Discover the way in which God leaves “prints” for us to follow. For more information contact Anne Merkley at 286-0209.

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**THIS WEEK at Mountainside**

**Today, Sunday, November 8**

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

**Wednesday, November 11**

*Veteran's Day*  
6:00 p.m. AA  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

**Friday, November 13**

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon

**Saturday, November 14**

3:00 p.m. Jug Band At Canyon  
Transitional

**Monday, November 9**

6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

**Thursday, November 12**

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

**Tuesday, November 10**

6:30 a.m. Morning Men's Group  
10:00 a.m. EM Food Pantry  
5:30 p.m. Trustee Meeting  
7:00 p.m. AA

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**Sunday, November 15**

*Consecration Sunday*  
9:00 a.m. Classic & Contemporary  
Worship combined  
(this Sunday only)  
10:15 a.m. Luncheon

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