

Celebration of Worship



Thank You, Lord!
O Brother, Where Art Thou?
November 22, 2009

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**

Rev. John R. Rech

**Indicates congregation standing as able*

***Hymn**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Hymnal No. 384
Hymnal No. 349

***Affirmation from I Corinthians 15:1-6 & Colossians 1:15-20**

Hymnal No. 888

Registration and Announcements

Dick Porter

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

All Good Gifts

Joseph Vertrees

***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 Gather Us In Mountainside Choir

Scripture Luke 15:1-9, 11-32

Message O Brother, Where Art Thou? 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.

Consecration Sunday – We want to thank everyone who was able to weather the snow storm and participate in the Consecration Sunday last week. If you haven’t turned in a Estimate of Giving Card please do so by November 29. The Estimate of Giving is the primary tool that our church uses to determine the budget for the upcoming year and helps us decide our ability to reach our ministry potential. The Estimate of Giving cards are located in the Foyer or please contact one of the ushers who would be glad to provide one for you.

Announcements

Decorate The Church – Saturday, November 28, please show up at 9am to decorate the Church for the Christmas season. Call Sara Church, 821-0268, with questions.

Christmas Food Boxes - Suggested non-perishable food donations by week:

- Nov 29 - green beans and corn
- Dec 6 – cream of mushroom or other soups
- Dec 13 – peanut butter and jelly or beans and rice

Or mark your check's memo "Christmas boxes" and place in offering

Assembling of Christmas boxes in the fellowship hall: Wednesday December 23 at 1:00pm. This is a wonderful outreach of Mountainside and the East Mountain Food Pantry. Please pick up that one extra item at the store (or out of your pantry) each week! The collection bin will be in the Nursery or Youth Room.

Poinsettias for Sale!! Our youth are selling poinsettias for Christmas for \$10. These poinsettias are a youth fundraiser and decorate our Sanctuary for Advent. You can order a poinsettia in honor or in memory of a loved one and this information will be in the December 13 bulletin. The poinsettias will be in the Sanctuary by December 13 and can be picked up after the December 20 morning service or after the Christmas Eve service. Feel free to order multiple poinsettias. The youth will be in the Foyer taking orders or place an order at the church office.

THIS WEEK at Mountainside

Today, Sunday, November 22

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

Wednesday, November 25

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

Friday, November 27

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon

Saturday, November 28

9:00 a.m. Decorate the Church

Thursday, November 26

Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed
7:00 p.m. AA

Monday, November 23

Tuesday, November 24

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



NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday, November 29

1st Sunday of Advent
9:00 a.m. Classic Worship
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Contemporary
Worship

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