

SERVICE OF THE WORD
York Chapel
September 11, 1990

PRELUDE

GREETING

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
P: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

HYMN OF PRAISE "When Morning Gilds the Skies" #185

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ has taught us to seek and be reconciled to our brothers and sisters in the Church: We confess our failures to obey his admonitions. We have not sought reconciliation. We have held onto grudges and resentments. We have worked against unity and the peace of your Church; and we are truly sorry. In your mercy, Lord, forgive us, and by your Holy Spirit heal the hurts inside us and between us, that we may be one; through the same Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

THE PEACE

ACT OF PRAISE #836

GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

THE LESSON Matthew 18:15-20

THE SERMON "The Next Best Thing"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

COLLECT Prayer of John Chrysostom #412

HYMN "All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord" #554

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

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Liturgist - John Tennyson
Lector - Patrick Hamrick
Preacher - Joel Guillemette
Organist - Dr. David Arcus