



STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Stewardship and Communication Development Ministry Unit MORNING WORSHIP for

November 10, 1991

PEAL OF TOWER BELLS AND LIGHTING THE TABLE CANDLES

ACOLYTES: Laura Milliken, Emily Perry, Beth Perry and Jeff Nunley

PRELUDE

"Preludio" from Partita in E for Violin, BWV 1006 Michael Cooper, Marimba

J. S. Bach

STRIKING THE HOUR (People stand at the eleventh strike)

* INTROIT (sung in unison)
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

- * CALL TO WORSHIP
- * HYMN OF PRAISE

 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

No. 358 CWM Rhondda

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND PRAISE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, we confess that we do not live lives of rejoicing. We are afraid to give of what you have given us. We do not find joy in our service to you! We do not find hope in the sacrifice of love You ask for us. We think of ourselves and feel impoverished. We think of others and feel nothing.

Today, we repent. We turn to You O Loving One and ask for your mercy. We need to turn from self-centered ways so that we may begin again. Help us, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. AMEN.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

* THE APOSTLES' CREED

p. 12, The Hymnbook

* THE GLORIA PATRI (sung in unison)
"Glory be to the Father..."

**INTERLUDE

RESPONSIVE READING Selection No. 12

Psalm 42:1-5, 8-11 The Hymnbook pg 480 ANTHEM
"Rejoice in the Lord Always"

H. Purcell

CHILDREN'S TIME
(Grades I - 5 come forward to the Chancel)

Betty Berghaus

INTIMATIONS

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
"Fugue" from Sonata in a for Violin, BWV 1005

J. S. Bach

* THE DOXOLOGY (sung in unison)
"Praise God from whom all blessings flow..."

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

* HYMN OF PREPARATION
"A Charge to Keep I Have"

No. 301 Boylston

* GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 12:38-44

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Theme: The Principle of Creative Inversion"
Theme: For Jesus Christ the way up is down, the way in is out, the way high is low. Jesus invites us to turn the world upside down.

Pastor Clise

* HYMN OF DEDICATION
"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

No. 399 Beecher

* BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE
"Abide with Us, Our Savior"

M. Vulpius

* PEAL OF THE TOWER BELLS AND EXTINGUISHING TABLE CANDLES

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

POSTLUDE Voluntary in C

S. S. Wesley

RECEPTION IN THE REFECTORY

Everyone is invited to have refreshments and to greet one another. Appreciation to our hosts, Dr. and Mrs. W.A. Martin.

* Would those worshippers who are able please stand.



There were once two brothers who farmed together. They shared equally in all of the work and split the profits exactly. Each had his own granary. One of the brothers was married and had a large family; the other brother was single.

One day the single brother thought to himself, "It is not fair that we divide the grain evenly. My brother has many mouths to feed, while I have but one. I know what I'll do, I will take a sack of grain from my granary each evening and put it in my brother's granary." So, each night when it was dark, he carefully carried a sack of grain, placing it in his brother's barn.

Now the married brother thought to himself, "It is not fair that we divide the grain evenly. I have many children to care for me in my old age, and my brother has none. I know what I'll do, I will take a sack of grain from my granary each evening and put it in my brother's granary." And he did.

Each morning the two brothers were amazed to discover that though they had removed a sack of grain the night before, they had just as many.

One night the two brothers met each other halfway between their barns, each carrying a sack of grain. Then they understood the mystery. And they embraced, and loved each other deeply.

There is a legend that says God looked down from heaven, saw the two brothers embracing, and said, "I declare this to be a holy place, for I have witnessed extraordinary love here." It is also said that it was on that spot that Solomon built the first temple.