

READINGTON REFORMED CHURCH

Cathy Gumpert, Pastor

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 27, 2008

11:00 a.m.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

+Announcements

Prelude

Moment of Silence

Call to Worship

Psalm 66

Right Side: Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of His praise be heard, who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip. For You, O God, have tested us; You have tried us as silver is tried.

Left Side: You brought us into the net; You laid burdens on our backs; You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet You have brought us out to a spacious place.

Right Side: I will come into Your house with burnt offerings; I will pay You my vows, that my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

Left Side: I will offer to You burnt offerings of fatlings, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams; I will make an offering of bulls and goats.

Right Side: Come and hear, all You who fear God, and I will tell what God has done for me. I cried aloud to Him, and He was extolled with my tongue.

Left Side: If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. But truly God has listened; He has given heed to the words of my prayer.

ALL: Blessed be God, because He has not rejected my prayer or removed His steadfast love from me.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*+Hymn of Praise #7 (RIL) "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

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Prayer of Confession

Psalm 66

Gracious God, we bless You with our hearts and with our lips. You have kept us among the living, to serve You and to serve others. And so we come into Your house, not to offer burnt offerings, but to give You the offerings of our hearts. And yet too often we hold back. We do not consider what You have done for us; instead, we take credit for it ourselves. Instead of extolling You, we extol ourselves. We are wrong. All that we have comes from You, and so we ask that You continue to refine us. Purify us so that our whole beings sing

with praise to You. In this way we can bring a new song to this sad world that longs for redemption and the good news of salvation. We ask this in the strong name of Jesus. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us.

Words of Assurance

Proverbs 3:5-8

Summary of the Law

Deuteronomy 30:16-19

*+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.

THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Sermon

*+Hymn of Preparation #378 (RIL)

"O Spirit of the Living God"

WINCHESTER NEW

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Luke 24:13-35

p. 860

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

HEARTS AFIRE!

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Baptism of Michael Theodore Takacs

*Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Mission Minute

Ken Ciccotelli

Offering (Please fill out the red pew pads at this time. Remember to PRINT your name.)

Offertory

*Doxology

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

Dedication of Gifts

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the Community and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn of Dedication #327 (RIL) "Thine Be the Glory" MACCABAEUS

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "Thine Be the Glory" MACCABAEUS

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son:
endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

Postlude

*Congregation (those who are able) will please rise.
+Latecomers and returning worshipers may be seated.
Hymns this morning are from "Rejoice in the Lord".

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WORSHIP SERVICE: 11:00AM (10:00 A.M. Father's Day through Labor Day) Nursery Provided

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:30A.M. Classes for Pre-school through adult (September through June)

Infant Nursery Provided

Our Invitation

We welcome you as we join together in prayer, in song, and in praise to God. It is our prayer that the blessing and fellowship you find here will enrich your life so that you will truly feel that you are a part of this historic, caring church. May God bless you in a very special way!

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Organized 1719

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Above all, we exist to worship God. Through the grace of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will make the love of Jesus Christ tangible by caring for one another and those around us and will go out into the world to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ

The Rev. Cathy Gumpert, Pastor
The Rev. Donald A. McCabe, Pastor Emeritus