



THE OLIN T. BINKLEY
MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
WORSHIP
FEBRUARY 28TH, 2010

BECOMING AWARE OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Please silence electronic devices

*O God, you have prepared in peace the path I must follow today.
Help me to walk straight on that path. If I speak, remove lies from my lips.
If I am hungry, take away from me all complaint. If I have plenty, destroy pride in
me. May I go through the day calling on you, O Lord, who know no other Lord.*

--A prayer from Galla, Ethiopia

CHIMES

PRELUDE
Acolytes

Grand Chorus
Theodore Dubois
Olivia Jenkins, Tessa McKenzie Keyser

INTROIT **What Does the Lord Require of You?** Jim Strathdee

PRAISING

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively) Peter JB Carman

One: We gather in a circle around a table.

Many: We gather in a circle around a table of yearning.

One: We yearn for fulfillment, we yearn for a taste of love.

Many: We yearn deeply for our God.

One: We gather around a table that invites us to a feast of justice and
peace.

**Many: We gather around this table at the center of lives of prayer in
action.**

*GATHERING HYMN **Jesu, Jesu** 600

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER (forgive us our sins) W. Dale Osborne

#MUSIC INTERLUDE

Please exchange the Peace of Christ with your neighbor.

CENTERING

(in silence)

*We acknowledge the presence of Christ amongst us
who reconciles the world.*

*We struggled against one another:
now we are reconciled to struggle for one another.*

*We believed it was right to withstand one another:
now we are reconciled to understand one another.*

*We endured the power of violence:
now we are reconciled to the power of tolerance.*

*We built irreconcilable barriers between us:
now we seek to build a society of reconciliation.*

*We suffered a separateness that did not work:
now we are reconciled to make togetherness work.*

*We believed we alone held the truth:
now we are reconciled to the knowledge that truth holds us.*

From South Africa National Service of Thanksgiving, May 8, 1994
reprinted in *An African Prayer Book*, D. Tutu, ed.

LISTENING

SUNG OLD TESTAMENT READING

Offertory (Micah 6: 6-8)

Chancel Choir
John Ness Beck

*With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before God with burnt-offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
God has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?*

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 17:20-23

I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*HYMN OF PREPARATION **Unidos (Together)** 496

After the conclusion of the hymn, children may depart for worship. Please follow the acolytes. Congregation, please remain standing while the children exit. Children ages 4-1st grade will meet in Room 16. Children ages 2nd-5th will meet in Room 18. Children giving an offering may place it in the box on the baptistry.

SERMON **Come to the Table of Justice and Peace** George Reed

RESPONDING

*UNISON RESPONSE **In the Great Quiet of God** 232

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES IN SERVICE

Offertory **Solemn Prelude from Lenten Suite** Charles Callahan

*Sung Response **Santo, Santo, Santo** 111

*Prayer of Dedication

MOVING FROM WORSHIP TO WORLD

SHARING THE LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF INVITATION **Down by the Riverside** 673

If you wish to become a member of this congregation of the Body of Christ today, you are invited to come forward during the first verse of this hymn to be welcomed and received.

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE **Amen**

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

#Those arriving after the Prelude may be seated at these times.

Persons wishing for assistance with hearing during the worship service are encouraged to check out an FM receiver in the Narthex just before service begins.

WE WELCOME George Reed to the pulpit this morning! Executive Director of the NC Council of Churches, George is a graduate of Florida State University, the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, and the University of Virginia Law School. Prior to coming to the Council, he was the pastor of Mountain Plain Baptist Church, Mechums River, Virginia, and the Director of Citizenship Education and World Hunger for the Baptist State Convention of NC. He became Legislative Program Associate for the Council in 1996 and Executive Director in 2000. His partner, Susan, serves on the staff of the Tammy Lynn Center in Raleigh. Their son, Joe, is a graduate of Davidson College and is now a 2nd Lt. in the Marines, stationed at Camp Lejeune. George is a member of Pullen Memorial Baptist Church in Raleigh, where he has been on the Deacon Council and Coordinating Council, and has taught adult Sunday School.

The flowers on the communion table today (waiting for Janet O'Neal)

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