

**CAHILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Pastor **A. J. Hillin**  
Organist **Lynn Moore**

October 3, 2010  
World Wide Communion Sunday

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**PRELUDE**

\* **PRAISE HYMN** *Sanctuary* **TFWS #2164**

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Ephesians 3:12-20)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

***And also with you.***

At one time we were without Christ  
- aliens from the commonwealth of Israel.

***We were strangers to the covenants of promise,  
having no hope and without God in the world.***

But now in Christ Jesus we who once were far off  
have been brought near to God by the blood of Christ.

***He is our peace;  
in his flesh he has broken down the walls that divide us.***

He came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off  
and peace to those who were near.

***Through him we have access in one Spirit to the Father.***

We are members of the household of God  
- built upon the foundation of the apostles and the prophets,  
with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.

***He is our peace, our hope and our salvation.***

\* **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Because He Lives* **UMH #364**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Let us pray -- **Loving God, your steadfast love never ceases and your mercies never come to an end. Your touch turns deserts into pools of living water. As you embrace the land, its yield abounds. With wisdom you implant goodness and justice. We proclaim your virtue. We thank you for breaking down the walls that divide us one from the other and the barriers that separate us from you. Be with us in this time of worship as we and our brothers and sisters**

**around the world lift up your most holy name; we ask it through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. AMEN.**

**SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS/\*DOXOLOGY**

**THE WORD IN SCRIPTURE**

**Old Testament, page 723, Lamentations 3:19-26**

**New Testament, page 69, Luke 17:5-10**

This is the word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Let us make our confession before the Lord our God.

***Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed; by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.***

..... (silent prayer) .....

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

**HYMN OF PRAYER** *He Touched Me* **UMH #367**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *Sharing Joys and Concerns*

**SERMON** "Growing Strong In Faith" **A J Hillin**

\* **SHARING THE PEACE** We greet those around us with a sign of peace (handshakes or hugs) and words like "The peace of the Lord be with you". This ancient tradition is an appropriate response to the peace that God gives to those who hear and do his word.

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\* INVITATION \***

Friends, this is the Table of our Lord.

Come, not because you are strong, but because you are weak.

Come, not because of any goodness of your own,

but because you need God's mercy and help.

Come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love Him more.

Come, because Christ loves you and gave Himself for you.

May God bless you as we celebrate our love of Christ and our fellowship with Christians throughout the world and down through the ages this day.

## **SERVING OF THE SACRAMENTS**

### **WORLD WIDE CONFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES CREED**

With the church of Jesus Christ around the world today, let us confess our common faith:

***I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come 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.***

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION**                      *Freely, Freely*                      **UMH #389**

### **THE INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

You are invited to meet the pastor at the altar to place your membership in the church by profession of faith, transfer of membership, or to recommit your life to Christ.

**\*THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**                      **UMH #48**

### **\*COMMISSIONING**

**In the power of the Holy Spirit we now go forth into the world, to fulfill our calling as the people of God, the body of Christ.**

### **\* BENEDICTION**

### **Welcome, Visitors.**

We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us this morning and we invite you to come again.

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