

# CAHILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 2, 2008

## GATHERING

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MUSICAL PRELUDE

*(As you listen, use this time in quietness and reverence for preparation for Holy Worship)*

### \*OPENING PRAISE SONG

*Morning Has Broken*

UMH # 145

*Verse 1*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Ephesians 5:15-20)

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.*

Be filled with the Spirit of God and speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.

*We will sing with our lips and make melody to the Lord in our hearts for he is good and his steadfast love endures forever.*

Praise God the Father at all times and give thanks for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*We will make the most of every opportunity and praise God by living as children of light.*

### \*PRAISE HYMN

*My Hope Is Built*

UMH # 368

### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of grace and of glory - as we come before you, we ask that you grant us the knowledge that we need to solve the questions that are in our minds. Light thou our candles while we read, to keep our hearts from going blind, and enlarge our vision to behold the wonders you have wrought from of old!

We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

*(based on a prayer poem by Henry Van Dyke)*

### CHILDRENS SERMON

### SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS

### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

### THE WORD IN SCRIPTURE

Old Testament, page 240, 1 Samuel 16:1-13

New Testament, page 89, John 9:1-41

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

## PRAYING

### HYMN OF PRAYER

*There Is A Fountain Filled With Blood*

UMH # 622

*Verses 1 and 4*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / PASTORAL PRAYER

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

### SERMON

"A Man Born Blind"

A. J. Hillin

## INVITATION

**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

#### DEPARTING PRAYER

Let us Pray

*Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and*

*blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body,*

*live his risen life; we who drink his cup, bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.*

Father, keep us firm in the hope you set before us, so that we and your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name, through Christ our Lord. Amen

### \*HYMN OF INVITATION

*Amazing Grace*

UMH # 378

*Verses 1, 2 and 4*

### 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 # 48

**We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's Holy church and bid you welcome to Cahill United Methodist Church. With you, we renew our vows to uphold it with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service. With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, you may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**

## SENDING FORTH

### \*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 that you have chosen to worship with us this morning and we hope you will come again.**

**REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS**

Sue Leonard  
7575 Willow Chase Blvd.  
Houston TX 77070

Mary Turk  
1035 N. Cummings  
Alvarado TX 76009

Potluck Supper      6:30 pm      March 25th

Natalie and Lloyd Williams  
6508 FM 2738  
Mansfield TX 7606

**Please remember to bring food items for Helping Hands for Jesus each Sunday when you come to church.**

### WANT TO JOIN OUR CHURCH?

If you believe God is calling you to a relationship through this church, please come forward when the invitation is given. If “coming forward” isn’t comfortable for you, see “the Rev” after the service and you can do a “No Stress” form of joining Cahill United Methodist Church.

**Join Cahill United Methodist Church Today**  
(Present this form to the pastor during the last hymn.)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Children’s Names :

Former Church \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Joining By:  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Baptism and Profession of Faith**  
(Never Baptized, no previous church membership)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Transfer from another United Methodist Church**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Transfer from another denomination**

### PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

#### Our Military

Mike Yates – Iraq      🇺🇸      Cole Kurtenbach – Iraq  
Danny Dennison – Iraq      🇺🇸      Ricky Tiwater – Iraq  
John David Culp, Jr. – Border of Iraq/ Kuwait  
Wayne Fannin, Jr – Navy Training



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Worship Services      Sundays 9:30 am  
Sunday School      10:45 am

**As long as I am  
in the world,  
I am the  
light of the world.**

**John 9.5**



### CAHILL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Fall Festival Meeting Immediately After Service Today**  
Lenten Bible Study      6:30 pm      Wednesdays

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