



February 2, 2014
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WE GATHER

Prelude

Lord of the Dance

ARR. DOUGLAS E. WAGNER

Introit Hymn 70

What Does the Lord Require of You?

JIM STRATHDEE

DANIEL MORTIMER, RACHEL NEUNER, CAMERON WHITE

Call to Worship

How shall we worship our God? We have heard what the Lord requires of us: leave empty talk and pride behind. We must walk the walk. We must prepare to step out in faith, even into troubled waters, because only God knows where we might need to go. Don't be afraid. Jesus will guide our steps along the way, teaching us to walk humbly, to love boldly, and to serve God with body, soul, mind, and strength. Let us pray for the humility and courage to follow where the Spirit leads.

Opening Prayer

Oh God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, how do we thank you? How do we show our gratitude? Do you want signs and sacrifices? Do you want gold and cattle? Can we turn over our children to you? Would that repay our debt and make everything right? Tell us, what do you require in return for all your goodness?

Oh God, our teacher, example, and companion, you have shown us what is good, and call us to remember that what you require is not repayment of debt or settling the score, but obedience.

Show us, God, when to do justice, how to love kindness, and where to walk humbly with you. Amen.

*Opening Hymn 804

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

MARION

*Call to Confession

It is clear that God wants to hear our prayers and forgive us, for God is willing to lean close to our hearts to listen to our failures, our poor choices, and all the things we have done wrong. Please join me as we pray together, saying,

*Prayer of Confession

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Far too often, O God, we desire to look wise in the eyes of the world. We have not spoken truth with our hearts. We have said and done hurtful things to our friends. We have forgotten what true discipleship is. Forgive us and help us to live as the people you have created and called us to be: people of justice and love and truth and humility. May we embrace our true identity, even in the face of the world's scorn and derision.

*Assurance of Pardon

God has called us and blesses us when we live God's ways and not the world's ways. God's love embraces us even when we fall short of what God desires for our lives. Know that the God of blessing loves and forgives us with a fierce tenderness. And in so knowing, may our lives be transformed. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace of Christ

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Leader: Let us greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

*Joyful Response Hymn 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD

WE PROCLAIM

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson

MICAH 6:1-8

Leader: For the words of challenge, for the words of blessing, for the spirit of wisdom moving in our midst,

People: **we give you honor and thanks and praise, O God.**

Psalms 84

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place

JOHN CARTER

Gospel Reading

MATTHEW 5:1-12

Sermon

“Words That Should Make Us Squirm”

REV. DR. ANNE EPLING

WE RESPOND

***Hymn 769**

For Everyone Born

FOR EVERYONE BORN

News of the Church

Minute for Mission: Shared Ministry

Offering Our Gifts to God (*Please sign the friendship pad.*)

Offertory Anthem

One Bread, One Body

ARR. MARK HAYES

***Dedication of Gifts**

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

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We thank you, God, that you have blessed us with an abundance of gifts for the flourishing of your world. May this offering of our life and labor reveal your love as we seek to share your promised reign with all creation. Amen.

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Closing Prayer

WE ARE SENT

***Closing Hymn 749**

Come! Live in the Light! / We Are Called

WE ARE CALLED

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Fughetta in G Major

ROBERT LIND

WE WELCOME YOU TO FAITH DES PERES FOR WORSHIP!

Please join us for refreshments in the Gathering Space at the front of the church following the Postlude.

PRAYER Helen Barks | Joanna Gerst | Dolly Hoyer | Toy & Jerry Kircher
REQUESTS Barbara Moorman | Mackenzie Prophete | Mallorie Prophete | Jasmine Reece

THANK YOU! *Worship Team 2:* Dianne Modrell, Katy Spears, Randi & Keith Weber
Liturgist: Dianne Modrell
Cantor: Rachel Neuner
Refreshments: Leslie Barnes

TOGETHER AT FAITH DES PERES

WELCOME IVY JANE McCLURE!

Ivy Jane McClure arrived two weeks early to Becky, Scott and big brother Jake on January 28th. Weighing in at 9lbs, 1oz, she and Becky are doing fine and the family sends their best to everyone at FDP. See photos on the church website blog.

WELCOME, CATHY!

Cathy Luetkemeyer began working as the new bookkeeper on December 31st. She replaced Stephanie Ruzicka, who took a new job as a teacher's assistant in the Parkway School District. Cathy has worked as a bookkeeper for many different businesses, including Mike Duffy's Bar and Grill. Her resume rose to the top of the 31 received. You will hear from Cathy soon when you receive your 2013 pledge statements in the mail. When you're in the office on Tuesday mornings, please introduce yourself and welcome Cathy to Faith Des Peres!

ABOUT THE MUSIC

Most music historians believe that the earliest Christians conducted their worship services without the use of instruments. Since most of the early Christians were Jewish converts, they were accustomed to synagogue worship in which there was no instrumental music. Besides, during those years of widespread persecution of Christians, the sound of instruments in worship would have only called more attention to their gatherings. Furthermore, instruments were associated with pagan customs. Later, as Christianity spread to the Gentiles, Greek philosophy influenced the use of music in the church. The “Doctrine of Ethos” was an important consideration. What was this doctrine? Is this doctrine relevant today? See upcoming articles in About the Music.

COMMUNION TABLE FLOWERS

Registration for communion table flowers is now available in the Gathering Space. Please indicate how you would like the dedication in the bulletin to read. Marie will send an email a few days ahead of your scheduled date to remind you to bring flowers. Thank you for adorning the table!

SCHNUCKS E-SCRIP CARDS

Pick up your Schnucks E-Scrip Card from the Gathering Space or a Schnucks Customer Service counter. Did you know that when you swipe your e-scrip card every time you shop at Schnucks, a percentage of your purchase goes directly to Faith Des Peres? You pay nothing – just activate the card and designate Faith Des Peres with code #164503349. What a GREAT way to earn FREE funds for FDP!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

Please plan to attend the Shared Ministry Volunteer Fair next Sunday, Feb. 9, after worship in the Gathering Space. This will be a time for all of us to learn about what opportunities exist to become more involved in the church. Each of us is uniquely gifted by God to share our gifts, energy and passions with others to build the kingdom of God. Shared ministry helps us live out the affirmation that God calls all people to ministry. Please come prepared to volunteer for one of Faith Des Peres' ministries. If you have questions, contact a Shared Ministry Committee member: Barb Abbett, Terry Baker, Annie Epling and Randi Weber.

HENRY EPLING'S EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR

You are invited to **Henry Epling's Eagle Scout Court of Honor** next Sunday February 9, 4:00 pm, here at Faith Des Peres. A reception will follow in the Gathering Space. Henry's Eagle Scout project was to install a new sign at the Old Des Peres Church, repair the slave sign, and make a box to hold informational brochures. He successfully completed the project in November. We hope you can attend Henry's Court of Honor. ~*Annie and Terry Epling*

TAI CHI BEGINS FEBRUARY 10TH!

The *Peace in Motion* tai chi class will start a brand new session on Monday evenings at 5:30pm, beginning February 10th. With slow gentle movement, a clear and focused mind, and an open spirit you can reap amazing benefits. Other participants in this class have said that tai chi gives them more flexibility, helps with joint pain, has improved their balance, lowers their blood pressure, helps them keep a calm perspective all week, and much more. *Peace in Motion* is not only a physical exercise, but also a spiritual exercise in letting go and letting God in. Classes are just \$5 per class, pay as you go. No need to sign up. Just come to the first class for one hour. Bring friends if you want or come alone and meet new friends, and experience a whole new you!

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION: Training our Ministers Who? What? When? How? What, post seminary?

Sponsored by the Adult Discussion Group

Sunday, February 16

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Faith Des Peres Gathering Space

Presenters:

REV. MARY GENE BOTELER, pastor of 2nd Presbyterian Church; graduate of Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, currently serving on their Board of Trustees; served as delegate to the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches.

JAY SUMMERVILLE, JD, recently retired attorney from the law firm of Armstrong Teasdale; Elder at 2nd Presbyterian Church; Member Permanent Judicial Commission, Synod of Mid-America, PC(USA); currently enrolled in Eden Seminary.

Meal: 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.

Program: 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

Suggested Donation: \$10

RSVP: sign-up sheet in church gathering space or contact the church office at 314-432-8029 or email adminasst@faithdesperes.org

This event is for all ages.

IN THE COMMUNITY

February 4, March 11, April 1

All are invited to the immensely popular **Kirkwood Franciscan Sisters' Free Eco-Film Series!** Come enjoy complimentary organic hot apple cider and freshly popped organic popcorn! The films are on Tuesday evenings and begin promptly at 7:00 PM. To attend you must RSVP to ffesignup@fsolph.org or by calling the Sisters' offices at 314-965-3700. Showings: 2/4: "*Biophilic Design*", 3/11: "*Heart of Sky, Heart of Earth*", 4/1: "*The New Green Giants*"

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sun, 2/2	9:15 am	Adult Discussion Group: Shared Ministry
	10:00 am	Childcare
	10:30 am	Worship with Communion; Feeding the Flock
	11:30 am	Coffee and Fellowship
Mon, 2/3	5:30 pm	Tai Chi
Wed, 2/5	7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sun, 2/9	10:00 am	Childcare
	10:30 am	Worship
	10:45 am	Sunday School & Tween's Classes meet
	11:30 am	Coffee & Fellowship, Shared Ministry Fair
	3:30 pm	Henry Epling's Eagle Scout Ceremony (all are invited!)

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