

Sunday, September 29, 2013 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WE GATHER

Opening Voluntary

Majesty

arr. Mark Hayes

Call to Worship (Psalm 66:1-4)

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power your enemies cringe before you. All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name."



Gathering Prayer

O God, we come and praise you here, and then you send us out into the world as your disciples. Equip us to be a healing presence and a people who live out the essence of your kingdom, here and now; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. **Amen.**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Call to Confession

When we walk from darkness into the light, we can see ourselves as we really are. We see the spots of sin more clearly, and we realize that we need God's healing and redemption. Come and confess your sins to God, and wade into the river of the Healer's mercy.

*Prayer of Confession

Leader: O God, we know that Jesus sent out his disciples without purse, luggage, or sandals. All too often, we find ourselves clinging to possessions we don't need, looking for safety by avoiding risk, and bearing heavy burdens that slow us down. Forgive us for our reluctance to travel lightly and heal us of our pain and guilt.

People: Forgive us and heal us, O God.

Leader: Holy One, we are encouraged not to grow weary, but to use every opportunity to work for the good of all. And yet, hectic schedules, competing demands, cynicism, and doubt erode our commitment and leave us feeling burned out. Forgive us for any hollow excuses we are tempted to make and heal us of our exhaustion.

People: Forgive us and heal us, O God.

Silent Prayer

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Peace! Peace is what you receive from God when you know that your sins are forgiven. Peace is what you have when you know that the destruction of sin cannot harm you, because you are not alone in your journey of life. Therefore, peace, my sisters and brothers! In Jesus we have received forgiveness, and we have been restored!

People: Thanks be to God!

*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.



Choir Anthem

The Lord Is My Light

Craig Courtney

Children are always welcome in worship at Faith Des Peres. Nursery Care (ages 4 & under) and Sunday School (ages 5 & up) are available at this time.

WE PROCLAIM

Prayer for Illumination

New Testam	ent Reading	Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20		
Leader:	This is the Word of the Lord.			
People:	Thanks be to God.			
Sermon		"The Dust From Our Feet"	Rev. Dr. Anne Epling	

WE RESPOND

*Hymn 429

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

Prayers of Petition (congregation responds "Lord, hear our prayers.") Pastoral Prayer and 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.

Moment for Mission

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

Offertory Music

Chorale Prelude

Douglas E. Wagner

*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

*News of the Church

We give thanks to you, O God, for you have blessed us with all we need to do your work. Empower and embolden us to use our gifts in your service. May our sharing be a sign of your inbreaking realm and a source of healing and hope to a world in need. We pray this in the name of the One who sends us out, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

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*Closing Hymn 443	O Christ, the Great Foundation	AURELIA
*Benediction		
*Closing Voluntary	Here I Am, Lord	Dan Schutte, arr. John Carter

We welcome you to Faith Des Peres for worship!

Following the Closing Voluntary please join us for refreshments.

Remember in Prayers:Joanna GerstJasmine ReeceHelen BarksSam TaylorToy & Jerry KircherMallorie and Mackenzie PropheteBrenda Modrell and family

With Appreciation to:

Jim & Terry Baker, Will Ridley, and Kathy Sherrick, *worship team* Jim Baker, *liturgist* Daniel Mortimer, *cantor* Leslie Barnes, *refreshments*

The flowers today are given by Bernie & Leila Davis in memory of Leila's cousin, Warren Dugin, and Bernie's aunt, Helen Shannon.

(Unison)

Together at Faith Des Peres

For more information visit www.faithdesperes.org.

Faith Des Peres Women's Retreat 2013

The 2013 women's retreat is scheduled for October 19, 2013. By popular demand, the leaders this year will be Jan Stocking and Diza Velasco who led our 2012 retreat at Mercy Center. This year we will be going to Rockhaven Ecozoic Center near House Springs, MO, where Jan and Diza are co-directors. This year the retreat will be a one day event, and the cost is \$45. Checks for the retreat may be made payable to Faith Des Peres with a notation that the funds are for the Women's Retreat.

For those who prefer to stay overnight, arrangements can be made for the night of either the 17th or the 18th by contacting Jan@rockhavencenter.org. Cost for one night is \$50. Overnight arrangements and payments should be made directly with Jan.

Adult Discussion Group

On October 6, Annie will lead the discussion on "Why We Do What We Do In Worship". Have you ever wondered why we do what we do in worship? If so, now is the time to learn. In this discussion, we'll talk about why worship is structured like it is, why worship practices are changing, and how we decide what the right form of worship is for us. Come and learn and share your thoughts! ADG meets 9:00-10:15 a.m. in the Conference Room upstairs in the education wing.

Kids, invite your friends to join us in Sunday School --

Held every Sunday from 10:40-11:30, except for October 6, November 3 and December 1, when we celebrate communion and children attend worship for the entire service. Nursery care for children under kindergarten age is available 10:00-12:00 with a trained, professional caregiver. Note: A special class for Tweens (grades 4-6) meets TODAY!

Farewell to Suzanne!

Tomorrow will be Suzanne Mays' last day as the Administrative Assistant for our church. We thank Suzanne for her wonderful dedication and service to Faith Des Peres these past 7 years and wish her well in the future. She is deeply appreciative to all of you for your friendship and support as we have worked together on so many projects and ministries over these years. "Many blessings to everyone!"

Worship Services in October — Invite friends to join us for these special services!

Next Sunday, **October 6**, we'll celebrate World Communion Sunday. Our focus will be the story from Jeremiah that likens us to clay and God as a potter. It talks about how God shapes us and molds us. A real live potter (thanks, Eric Ludlow!) will throw a pot during the service. We'll see the story come alive before our very eyes!

On **October 13**, we'll celebrate the baptism of Ellis Scott Ludlow, son of Eric and Sarah. Please plan to be here for this special service in our life together.

St. Louis CROP HUNGER WALK - Sunday, October 13

Join the Faith Des Peres team at the St. Louis CROP Hunger Walk, Sunday, October 13, at Eden Theological Seminary in Webster Groves (475 E. Lockwood Ave., 63119), to help end hunger one step at a time! CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by Church World Service and organized by local congregations, to raise funds and awareness to combat hunger at home and around the world. The following local agencies will share 25% of the total CROP Hunger Walk income: Circle of Concern, Feed My People, Operation Food Search, The Bridge, Joint Neighborhood Ministries, Isaiah 58, Seeds of Hope and Webster-Rock Hill Ministries.

You can join the FDP team online at http://hunger.cwsglobal.org/goto/FDP or see Erica Abbett for a CROP Hunger Walk registration packet. All walk participants must sign a waiver, which you can find online or attached to the registration packet. You can also register the day of the walk. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. The walk begins at 1:30 p.m.

Can't join us for the walk, but want to help FDP reach its \$1,200 goal? Consider making a donation to our team online (at the web address above) or write a check to "sponsor" an FDP participant. Walkers and non-walkers may also donate non-perishable food items. Bring items to the walk, or bring them to the church Sunday, October 6 or October 13, and a walker will take them to the event for you. All food items will be donated to the local agencies listed above.

All Faith Des Peres participants, walkers, donors, and sponsors, are invited to Llewellyn's Pub in Webster Groves following the walk. Join us for a fun time together!

Here's how to write Helen -

Longtime Faith Des Peres Church secretary Helen Barks is in Barnes Jewish Extended Care following a fall at her home. Cards may be sent to the following address: Barnes-Jewish Extended Care, Room 208A 401 Corporate Park Drive, Clayton, MO 63105 **Phone: (314) 273-0214** (Note: Phone number has changed from last week's bulletin.)

About the Music

Controversies about the music to be performed in worship have existed since the church began. One controversy was about singing "hymns of human composure" versus singing only the psalms or other scriptural texts. For many years, the music in Reformed churches consisted only of psalms, sung in unison, unaccompanied. The texts were paraphrases of the psalms, using common poetic metrical and rhyming patterns, which made them more easily sung. This is an example, taken from Psalm 23:

"My Shepherd is the living Lord, nothing therefore I need,

In pastures fair with waters calm He set me for to feed." — *Thomas Sternhold, Psalm 23, 1562* www.biblecollectors.org/articles/a_joyful_noise.htm

Thanks to Isaac Watts (1674-1749) and other English hymn writers, objections to singing "hymns of human composure" were silenced in many churches. What were some of Watts' contributions to hymnody? What were some other musical controversies through the centuries? See About the Music in coming weeks.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR:				
Mon, 09/30	5:30 pm	Tai Chi		
Wed, 10/02	7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal		
Sun, 10/06	9:00 am 10:00 am-Noon 10:30 am 11:30 am	Adult Discussion Group Childcare Worship — WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY (Sunday School does not meet.) Coffee and Fellowship		

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