

The Worship Of God

June 1, 2008

Ten o'clock

Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The beginning of the Prelude is a call to silent personal preparation for the worship of God.

Prayer requests will be collected following the sermon.

(*Standing)

PRELUDE

Aria

Flor Peeters

WORDS OF GREETING

CONCERNS OF PLYMOUTH *(Please sign and pass the Friendship Register.)*

CHORAL INTROIT

*HYMN 29

O Worship the King

Lyons

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, and the words of the Lord shall be written on your hearts.

People: Our eyes shall behold creation through their glass; our hands shall carry them into the world.

Leader: You shall teach them to your children as you sit in your homes and, again, as you walk in the way.

People: We shall dream of them when we lie down, and act on them when we rise up.

All: Come, neighbor, and we shall love you as we love ourselves. Come, and we shall love our God with all our heart and all our soul and all our strength and all our mind!

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 805)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

INVOCATION

We have sinned, Lord. We fall short of your glory. Yet when we fall, you lift us up – not that we might praise ourselves, but that we might exalt you. By the gift of *your* grace, and not by the greatness of *our* gifts, we are saved. And now, brought here by your grace, we beseech you to glorify us with your presence.

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, for ever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; ³ though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. ⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

⁶ The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. ⁸ Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. ⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." ¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(Davis Hall Summer Sunday School is now in session. All children, ages 4 years old through 5th grade, begin in church with their families at 10:00 a.m. and then go to Davis Hall following the Children's Moment for a group Sunday School class.)

*HYMN 801

This Is the Day (vs. 1 & 2)

The Lord's Day

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 7: 24-27

"Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. ²⁵ The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷ The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell – and great was its fall!"

ANTHEM

Behold, the Tabernacle of God

William H. Harris

SERMON

"It's Hurricane Season"

(Please pass prayer request cards to aisle.)

*A CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Your Word is a Lamp*

Robert Heath

Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path.

Open my eyes that I might behold the wonders of your word.

Give me understanding that I may keep your law,

and observe it with my whole heart.

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Leader: Let us pray: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

People: And grant us thy salvation.

Leader: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

People: And may thy Holy Spirit live within us.

PASTORAL PRAYER

To Remember In Prayer

Frances Arnold, Vilma Barrenechia, Elaine Calzolari, Nigel Grant,
Marjory Johnson, Ruth Kassewitz, Calvin Lee, Kent Maggard, Helen Merrifield,
Carolyn Oglesby, Dot Osterberg, Patty, Estelle Overstreet, Soco Pardo,
and all men and women of our armed services

Sympathy to

John Wheeler on the death of his brother, Howard "Red" Wheeler, who died May 23.
A memorial service was held for him at Vista Memorial Gardens on May 28.

Congratulations to

Lillian Peters and Nicholas Osborn who were married at Plymouth on May 31.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER RESPONSE

May the Words of My Mouth

Robert Heath

May the words of my mouth, and the meditations of my heart
be acceptable unto you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

OFFERTORY

****Presentation of Tithes and Offerings (The congregation rises row by row as
ushers come forward until all the congregation and choir are standing.)***

DOXOLOGY (Hymn 809)

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.

***HYMN 689**

The Church's One Foundation (vs. 1, 2 & 5)

Aurelia

EXTINGUISHING THE CANDLES

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

In dir ist Freude

J.S. Bach

Preaching: The Reverend Dr. Thomas Niblock

Liturgist: The Reverend Moira McGuinn

Pastoral Staff: Thomas R. Niblock, *Senior Pastor*; Moira McGuinn, *Associate Pastor*;
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CHURCH NOTES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 1, 2008

WELCOME!

Today we invite you to worship with us in word, song and sacrament and then join us,
following the service, for a time of fellowship in the Garden. Plymouth Church welcomes you
whatever your gender, race, ethnic background, sexual orientation, national citizenship, physical or
mental impairment, language or prior religious background. **We are happy to have you with us.**

Parents of infants – Nursery care is available in the crib room in the Kennedy Building. If you
prefer to be with your baby throughout the service and occasionally need a place for comfort, then we
want you to know that speakers carry the sound of the service to both the office in the room behind
the organ and the Cloister Garden.

Hearing units...We have individual hearing enhancement units available. Please ask an usher
for one.

Facilities for those with disabilities...Plymouth Church has a handicapped accessible
restroom adjacent to the end of the ramp that runs from the sanctuary to the parking lot.

EVERY WEEK

The This 'N That Shop, at 3155 Commodore Plaza in Coconut Grove (305-448-2114), is the "in"
place to shop! Come on down any day Tuesday - Saturday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and
snap up a few bargains. Your volunteer hours at the Shop and donations of furniture and clothing in
good condition, jewelry, household items, collectibles, antiques, etc. are what keep us in business.
Donations are accepted the second Sunday of each month after the service of worship at Pilgrim
House. To volunteer, call Jan Lowe at 305-666-3009.

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

The flowers on the communion table today are given to the glory of God by Norman and
Grace Madan in loving memory of all veterans and in honor of all who are still serving our country.

Upper Room (high school youth) meets in upper Plymouth Hall and **Outer Room** (6-8th
graders) meets upstairs in Pilgrim House each Sunday. Join us!

Davis Hall Summer Sunday School begins today. All children, ages 4 years old through 5th
grade, begin in church with their families at 10:00 a.m. and then go to Davis Hall during the second
hymn for a group Sunday School class.

A new member orientation session will be held today at 11:30 a.m. in the Manse.
Membership in Plymouth Church is open to anyone who wishes to be part of this community of faith,
gathered in the name of Jesus Christ. Childcare will be provided during this session. New members
will be received next Sunday, June 8. If you are interested in becoming a member of Plymouth,
please join us this morning.

The Plymouth Bookmobile will be available today after church in the Cloister Garden.

Baptism counseling, for those non-members seeking to have their children baptized at
Plymouth, will be held today at 11:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

Community Partnership for the Homeless...Plymouth will furnish the food and serve the
evening meal at the shelter tonight. If you signed up to help this month, the group will car pool from
the church office parking lot at 4:30 p.m. and return around 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

The Saturday Bible study group meets today in the Prayer Room from 9:00 to 10:15 a.m.

