

Service of Worship
11th Sunday after Pentecost

July 31, 2016

9:30 AM

“Then they came to Capernaum; and when [Jesus] was in the house he asked them, ‘What were you arguing about on the way?’ But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, ‘Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.’ Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ‘Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.’” Mark 9:33-37

*those who are able, please stand.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Search Committee Update

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let us worship our God who created all children in God’s image;

All: Come, let us worship our God who recognizes each child's sacred worth.

One: Come, let us praise the Christ who blessed the children.

All: Come, let us worship our God who sustain us as we seek to be a blessing to all God's children.

All: Come praise the triune God who created us, redeemed us, and sustains us!

***HYMN**

Siyahamba/Walking in the Light
(see musical page)

***OPENING PRAYER**

God, you call us to love as deeply as you, and yet we love too few and too little. Help us to love your children as you do. Help us to speak for justice as you expect. Help us to serve the least of these as Jesus did. Help us to believe in a world made good and kind for all children and in your power to work through us to make it real. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 12:1-4

OUR JOURNEY IN MISSION

THE HOMER NURSERY SCHOOL

TRAVELING TO RUSSELL FELLOWSHIP HALL

Siyahamba/Walking in the Light (see musical page)

OUR JOURNEY IN MISSION - VBS

SCRIPTURE:

Matthew 5:1-13

CHILDREN/CONGREGATIONAL ACTIVITY

BLESSING OF LEADERS AND CHILDREN

TRAVELING TO JONES HALL

Siyahamba/Walking in the Light

(see musical page)

OUR JOURNEY IN MISSION - NURSERY SCHOOL

SCRIPTURE:

Mark 10:13-16

**CHILDREN/CONGREGATIONAL ACTIVITY
BLESSING OF LEADERS AND CHILDREN**

TRAVELING TO SANCTUARY (see musical page)

They'll Know We are Christians by our Love

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER AND OFFERING

Offering of Vacation Bible School and Chautauqua . . .

Offering of the Homer Nursery School . . .

Offering of our physical buildings . . .

Offering of our time, talents, and treasures to God . . .

Musical Response

Sanctuary

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, pure and
ho - ly, tried and true. With thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a
liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y for you.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS FOR OUR CONGREGATION [

The Lord's Prayer (*let us pray together . . .*)

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.

GOD'S PEOPLE DEPART TO SERVE

***HYMN #436**

Shalom to You

Sha - lom to you now, sha - lom, my friends.
May God's full mer - cies bless you, my friends.
In all your liv - ing and through your lov - ing,
Christ be your sha - lom, Christ be your sha - lom.

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***BENEDICTION**

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Offering plates are available on the communion table and those wishing to support the ministry in and through the Homer Congregational Church are invited to leave their gifts there. Thank you.

Siyahamba/Walking in the Light

1. We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, oh, we are marching in the light of God. We
are marching, oh, we are marching in the light of God.

2. We are singing in the joy of God,
we are singing in the joy of God,
we are singing in the joy of God,
we are singing in the joy of God.
We are singing, oh, we are singing in the joy of God.
We are singing, oh, we are singing in the joy of God.

3. We are dancing in the glow of God,
we are dancing in the glow of God,
we are dancing in the glow of God,
we are dancing in the glow of God.
We are dancing, oh, we are dancing in the glow of God.
We are dancing, oh, we are dancing in the glow of God.

4. We are living in the love of God,
we are living in the love of God,
we are living in the love of God,
we are living in the love of God.
We are living, oh, we are living in the love of God.
We are living, oh, we are living in the love of God.

5. We are moving in the power of God,
we are moving in the power of God,
we are moving in the power of God,
we are moving in the power of God.
We are moving, oh, we are moving in the power of God. We
are moving, oh, we are moving in the power of God.

They'll Know We are Christians by our Love

Verse 1

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our
love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 2

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our
love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 3

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
we will work with each other, we will work side by side,
and we'll guard each one's dignity & save each one's pride:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our
love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 4

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus,
God's only Son, & all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our
love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

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