



Church for the Highlands
Sunday, August 14, 2011

Welcome

Prelude
Welcome/Call to Worship
Silent Recognition of God's Presence

Betty Jane Kelley

Word and Worship

Hymn Criss-Cross No. 350 "Blessed Be the Name"
Stanzas 1, 2 & 3 with Refrain of No. 349

No. 349 "To God Be the Glory"
Stanza 3 with Refrain of No. 350

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Hymn Criss-Cross Text: No. 353 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"
Tune: "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

Scripture Reading: Matthew 15:10-28

Message: "Outside the Boundaries"

Musical Reflection

Testimonies of Thanksgiving

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

"Moment by Moment"
Dan Gibbs, Piano

arr. Berry

World

Missional Moment

Missional Prayer: Prayer of St. Francis

Hymn of Response No. 271 "Christian People, Sing Together"

Benediction

Postlude

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Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed . . . And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant— these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

All you wild animals, all you wild animals in the forest, come to devour! Israel's sentinels are blind, they are all without knowledge; they are all silent dogs that cannot bark; dreaming, lying down, loving to slumber. The dogs have a mighty appetite; they never have enough. The shepherds also have no understanding; they have all turned to their own way, to their own gain, one and all. "Come," they say, "let us get wine; let us fill ourselves with strong drink. And tomorrow will be like today, great beyond measure."

Matthew 15:10-28

Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Opportunities for Service and Fellowship

Youth Lunch Out--Today at TGI Fridays on Youree. Youth will need to be picked up at 1:30.

Common Prayer, Common Meal-- 6:00-7:00 PM Come for a home-cooked meal (free) and prayer. This Wednesday's focus: Film Night and Discussion. Menu: Comfort Food

Missional Ministry Teams--if you are not yet on a team, contact John to learn more about them and which one best fits you and your schedule.

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bless the Highland neighborhood
with the love of Jesus
through Volunteers of America
and other community partnerships