

Creekside Church of the Brethren

July 10, 2005, 9:00 A.M.

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THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

It is not the number of books you read, nor the variety of sermons you hear, nor the amount of religious conversation in which you mix, but it is the frequency and earnestness with which you meditate on these things until the truth in them becomes your own and part of your being, that ensures your growth. -- Frederick Robertson

Growth begins when we start to accept our own weakness. --Jean Vanier

HYMN SING (8:55 A.M.)

THE SERVICE OF GATHERING

Welcome + Announcements + Prayer Requests

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bruce Barwick

One: The vine breaks the surface of the soil and emerges from the earth.

All: Nourished and nourishing it rises without a visible connection.

One: Its roots are hidden and its promise is unknown.

All: It is strong to withstand storms, and it is fragile when it is plucked too soon.

One: So it is that we grow-- we are nourished by invisible connections to the living God.

All: We are called to nourish that which is seen and that which is yet buried within.

*INVOCATION PRAYER

*HYMN NO. 14 (Blue)

"Here in This Place"

ROOTED IN GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor David

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

HYMN NO. 27 (Renew)

"O How He Loves You and Me"

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Tim Mastic
Arr. By Tim Mastic

OFFERING

"I am opposed to millionaires, but it would be dangerous to offer me the position."

--Mark Twain

Offertory

"Simple Gifts"

Sewell

*Response no. 185 (Renew)

"Sanctuary"

*Prayer of Dedication

GROWING IN JESUS

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 13: 8-13

SERMON

"Are You Growing Up?"

Pastor David Bibbee

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN NO. 454 (Blue)

"Seed, Scattered and Sown"

COMMUNION LITURGY

One: The night on which Jesus gave himself up for us, he reminded his followers of God's saving grace...

All: As God walked through the Red Sea with the Israelites, as a widow offered her last bit of food to a stranger, as God offered forgiveness to David.

One: Jesus reminded his followers of how God worked through a carpenter's son...

All: Healing the sick, assisting the needy, overturning the status quo, offering life everlasting.

One: Jesus reminded them of God's work yet to be done...

All: In the healing challenging, guiding movement of the Holy Spirit.

PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Bread: *"The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ."*

The Cup: *"The cup which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ."*

(If you are unable to come forward, you will be served in the pew.)

*BENEDICTION

*HYMN NO. 742 (Blue)

"I Am the Bread of Life"

POSTLUDE

Please stand as you are able

Today: July 10, 2005

The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

9:00 A.M.: Worship **10:15 A.M.:** Fellowship Time **10:45 A.M.:** Church School for All Ages
 Preaching..... Pastor David Bibbee
 Worship Leader..... Bruce Barwick
 Organist..... Marilee Gilliland
 Pianist Shelley Randall
 Hymn Leader.....Janet Berkebile
 Children’s Message..... David Bibbee
 Acolyte.....Darren Vance
 Worship Childcare.....Mary Lou Martin/LaVonne Myers
 Sound System Engineer Gary Arnold

Next Sunday: July 17, 2005

9:00 A.M.: Worship **10:15 A.M.:** Fellowship Time **10:45 A.M.:** Church School for All Ages
 Preaching..... Pastor David Bibbee
 Worship Leader..... Betty Kelsey
 Organist..... Marilee Gilliland
 Pianist Rosanna McFadden
 Hymn Leader.....Janet Berkebile
 Children’s Message..... Karen Eis
 Acolyte.....Darren Vance
 Worship Childcare.....Cary Kelsey
 Sound System Engineer Gary Arnold

Our mission:

Because we are God’s beloved in Christ, united in the Spirit we

- Seek** God’s love in our lives
- Celebrate** God’s love in vital worship
- Share** God’s love through acceptance, service, and witness

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