

Creekside Church of the Brethren

August 21, 2005, 9:00 A.M.

23818 CR 10, Elkhart (interim location)
1716 Benham Ave. Elkhart, IN 46516 (office)

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The modern world is afflicted with *"onlooker consciousness,"* the stance of perpetual detachment. We stand back, watch the world go by, we abstract, we objectify, assuming the role of the perpetual tourist, just passing through, never alighting anywhere. But in the church we sometimes, if we do our work right, turn to you and say, *"But what do you believe? On what are you willing to bet your life?"*
--William Willimon

PRELUDE

THE SERVICE OF GATHERING

Welcome + Announcements + Prayer Requests

*HYMN (insert) *"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"*

*CALL TO WORSHIP Mark Arnold
Selected verses from Psalm 107

(The congregation will speak the refrain as directed.)

So thank God for his marvelous love, for his miracle mercy to the children he loves.

*HYMN (insert) *"Shout to the Lord"*

*INVOCATION PRAYER (unison)

Gracious and loving Savior, you have come to us speaking your word of truth. You did not leave us alone in the silence, but you gave us your word. You speak to us always, and we have come to worship so that we may help each other hear and listen to what you want to tell us. We pray that you will help us to speak to the world and embody your word. Give us the power we need to enact it. Like Jesus, enable us to be your word in the flesh and witness to your great love.
Amen.

ROOTED IN GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Valerie Rodgers

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 714 (Blue)

CALL TO PRAYER NO. 117 (Blue)

"Fairest Lord Jesus"
(Soloist will sing verse #4 as congregation hums)

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERING

Money flows through our lives like water – at times plentiful, at times a trickle. Each one of us is a glass, in that we can only hold so much; after that, the water goes down the drain. Some of us are larger glasses, some of us are smaller, but we all have the capacity to receive more than we need when we allow it. When you make an offering, the glass will be filled again and again and again.
--Suze Orman

Offertory

*Response no. 383, vs. 1 (Blue)

"God Whose Giving"

*Prayer of Dedication

GROWING IN JESUS

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 16:13-20

SERMON

"Hearsay and You Say"

David Bibbee

BEARING FRUIT IN THE SPIRIT

*HYMN NO. 398 (Blue)

"I Love to Tell the Story"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able

Today: August 21, 2005

The Fourteenth 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..... Mark Arnold
Organist..... Marilee Gilliland
Pianist..... Rosanna McFadden
Hymn Leader..... Janet Berkebile
Children's Message..... Valerie Rodgers
Acolyte..... Cody Vance
Worship Childcare..... Cary Kelsey
Sound System Engineer..... Gary Arnold

Next Sunday: August 28, 2005

9:00 A.M.: Worship 10:15 A.M.: Fellowship Time 10:45 A.M.: Church School for All Ages
Worship Leader..... Shelley Randall
Organist..... Marilee Gilliland
Hymn Leader..... Janet Berkebile
Children's Message..... Laurie Mastic
Acolyte..... Cody Vance
Worship Childcare..... Carolyn Colver
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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