

*THE MORNING SERVICE OF WORSHIP*

Sunday, February 13, 2005  
TEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK A.M.

Prelude ..... "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ..... arr. Wyrzten

\* Hymn, No. 51 ..... "Creator God, Creating Still" ..... ST. ANNE

\* Responsive Reading and Invocation .... Dr. Moebes and Congregation

**Leader:** Sudden events, difficulties, disasters, turn lives upside down. None of us can make sense of "Why?" At these times, we must learn to trust in God's provision, to be content with what we have, and to give to those who have suffered in this devastation.

**People:** We need help from God when things go wrong. God gives us trust in divine love as we call out in desperation. People who have much need to share generously with those who are in need.

**Leader:** We confess that we do not easily look upon the needs of the world; we do not want to be reminded of hunger, sadness, disaster, war, famine. Forgive us for our isolation and apathy. Help us to see the needs of the world. Call us again to recognition, to caring and compassion, to response.

**People:** O God, we offer our lives in love and hope. We trust that you will transform what we are to a people responsive and sensitive to the needs of the world. Multiply what we give you today, as you always do, and use it for your great purposes to bring light to those in darkness, hope to those in despair, wholeness to those who are broken, and peace to all your people. Amen.

\* Offertory Hymn .. "When Innocence Is Fractured" ..... LANCASTHIRE  
The Sanctuary Choir  
(See Insert)

ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO COME FORWARD FOR THE CHILDREN'S SERMON.

Children's Sermon..... "Dangers on the Beach" ..... William E. Hull

Offertory Prayer ..... William E. Hull

Offertory ..... "Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee" ..... Brahms

The Sanctuary Choir

Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee. Ply bravely!  
What God decrees brings joy and peace. He will stay thee.

Why brood all day in sorrow, tomorrow will bring thee

God's help benign and grace sublime.

Be true in all endeavor and ever heed God's good will.

My soul, be still; compose thee. Amen.

The Scripture Lesson..... Psalm 77:1-19 ..... William E. Hull  
Pew Bible, pp. 416 and 417

Pastoral Prayer ..... William E. Hull

Anthem .... "Come, Peace of God"/"God So Loved the World" ..... Butler

The Sanctuary Choir

Come, peace of God, and dwell again on earth,

Come with the calm that hailed thy Prince's birth,

Come with the healing of thy gentle touch,

Come, peace of God that this world needs so much.

Break ev'ry weapon forged in fires of hate,

Turn back the foe that would assail thy gate;

Where fields of strife lie desolate and bare

Take thy sweet flows of peace and plant them there.

Bring selfish lives from shadowlands of loss

Into the radiance of the Savior's cross,

Where in that gift so precious, yet so lone,

Life finds its brotherhood and love its throne.

Come, blessed peace as when in hush of eve

God's benediction falls on souls who grieve;

As shines a star when weary day departs,

Come, peace of God, and rule within our hearts.

Message..... "God and the Tsunami" ..... William E. Hull

\* Hymn of Commitment, No. 73 ..... ST. ANNE  
"God Moves in a Mysterious Way"

Benediction ..... Reece B. Sherman

Postlude ..... "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" ..... arr. Bennett

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