Am I Doing This Right?



AUGUST 10, 2014

Worship - 9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Karen Goering Hostetler, Accompanist

WELCOME

Sallie Page-Goertz, Worship Leader

CANDLELIGHTING PRAYER

L: God, light a flame of love in our hearts, (silent prayer)

- a flame of love to our families and friends, (silent prayer)
- a flame of love to our neighbors, (silent prayer)
- a flame of love to our enemies. (silent prayer)

All: Light a flame of love in our hearts to all, from the lowliest thing that lives, to the Name above all names. AMEN.

*HYMN #36

God of our strength

CHILDREN'S TIME

Renee Reimer

CONFESSION**

Hymn #538 Lead me Lord

Lord, you call, but we do not always recognize your voice. Sometimes we don't listen carefully. Sometimes we're caught off guard.

Lord, you call, but we haven't always taught others to hear you. Sometimes we stand in the way, allowing our voice to ring out over yours.

Lord, you call, but we don't always believe our ears. Sometimes we believe we know better. Sometimes we think you can't possibly be calling us, or her, or him.

Forgive us, Lord, our unpracticed listening, our closed ears. Help us to hear. Amen.

Hymn #538 Lead me Lord

SERMON

Listen up!
Hannah Unruh

HYMN #27 SJ God of the Bible

COMMUNITY BUILDING TIME

- Dedication of Yiyi Pauls (see insert)
- Reception into membership and commissioning of Renee Reimer We give thanks that you have responded to the stirring of God's spirit in your life. We welcome you as a sister in Christ in this congregation. We joyfully accept you as a partner, both in the care of our spiritual family, and in our mission to the world. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Introductions

We are glad you are here. Once the attendance register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

Joys and Concerns

Slips of paper are available in the attendance register for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl at the front of the sanctuary.

- Prayers of the People
- Announcements
- Offering

* HYMN #545

Be thou my vision

*SENDING PRAYER

L: We thank you, loving God, for calling us to be your people.

C: For forgiving us our shortcomings.

L: For revealing your love through Jesus.

C: For the gift of life.

L: For families and friends to nurture and to comfort us.

C: For challenges and opportunities to build new dreams out of past failures.

L: For the wonder and mystery of love.

C: For the call to bear witness to Jesus.

L: For these and all the blessings of this life.

All: Blessing, honor and glory are yours, O God of love. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*. Songs designated "SJ" are in the green *Sing the Journey* hymnal.

**Today's confession was written by Rev. Teri Peterson.

Thank you Jesse Graber for the image on the front of the bulletin.

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