

May 3, 2009  
J. William Harris, Pastor  
John G. Hipp, Pastor Emeritus

**There is joy in the Lord's presence. We welcome everyone and invite you to discover the joy of God's unending love. "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises" (Psalm 98:4).**

We Turn Our Thoughts Toward God

PRELUDE  
CALL TO WORSHIP "Cornerstone" Choir  
WELCOME & COMMUNITY SHARING (Please register your attendance.)  
MOMENT OF SILENT CENTERING  
INVOCATION  
\*Hymn of Praise: 400 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Proclaiming the Word

\*Psalter: 754 – Psalm 23  
\*Affirmation of Faith: 881 – The Apostles' Creed  
\*The Gloria Patri: 70 – "Glory Be to the Father"

KIDS OF THE KINGDOM

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS:

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER  
THE OFFERTORY

\*THE DOXOLOGY: 95 – "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

\*Hymn of Preparation: 599 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison):

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

THE READING OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES: 857 – John 10:11 - 18

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "Led by the Master's Hand" Choir

SERMON: "The Fully Sufficient Christ" Dr. Bill Harris

Responding to the Word

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION: 15

\*Hymn of Commitment: 557 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE "May You Run and Not Be Weary" Choir

\*RECESSIONAL

**\*Please stand (if your health permits), as a means of giving honor to God.**

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP ...**

**TODAY:**

9:30am Altar Prayer 10:00am Sunday School  
9:30am Blood Pressure Screening 11:00am Morning Worship

**THIS WEEK:** \*\*\*\*\*

Mon., May 4, 7:00pm –	Art Class
Tues., May 5, 6:30pm –	Cub Scouts
7:00pm –	UMW Circle #2
7:00pm –	Board of Trustees
Wed., May 6, 7:00pm –	Bible Study
7:45pm –	Choir Practice
Thurs., May 7, 11:30am –	VIP's
7:00pm –	'3 Simple Rules' Bible Study

**NEXT WEEK:** \*\*\*\*\*

Sun., May 10,	Mother's Day
Mon., May 11, 7:00pm –	Art Class
Tues., May 12, 6:30pm –	Cub Scouts
Wed., May 13, 7:00pm –	Bible Study
7:45pm –	Choir Practice
Thurs., May 14, 6:30pm –	United Methodist Men's Club
Sun., May 17, Noon –	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Fellowship Meal
2:00pm –	Church Council Meeting

SERVING OUR LORD:	Today	Next Week
Nursery:	Volunteer	Volunteer
Acolyte:	Andrew Joseph	Andrew Joseph

**Preparation for Worship:** Grant us, Lord, the joy of your presence. May we sense your nearness and love as we worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.

**Welcome to all who visit with us today.** Your presence enhances our worship of Almighty God. Please sign a visitor's card, found in the pew racks, and give it to an usher during the offering, or sign the pew register pad found at the end of each pew. You are always welcome at Mathews.

**Memorials for Leila Peurifoy** were received from:

Jimmie Hodges Mr. & Mrs. Marvin C. Rush  
Ralph & Betty Thomas Willing Workers Class

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Fellowship Meals** will begin on Sunday, May 17, 2009. Bring your favorite covered-dishes and plan to have an enjoyable time of fellowship. This is a great opportunity to gather in the name of Jesus to break bread with one another and to support our church. Plan now to attend.

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the kindness shown to us during the loss of Ben. Thank you for every prayer, visit, card, and all of the food. It meant so much to us.

Love,

Pauline Palmer

"A story, as told by Jesus, is a sunrise that casts a golden light upon the truth which it contains."  
(Peter Marshall)