

# The Service for the Lord's Day

11 a.m. January 10, 2010

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: We come to worship and bow down

**All: We come to seek the Holy One**

Leader: The God of all the ages is in our midst

**All: Hope and love abound!**

Leader: Let us worship God!

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OPENING HYMN: #255 (Blue Hymnal) **Now Praise the Lord**

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS AND ELDERS

To fill vacancy, Elder Class of 2010: Beaman Floyd

Deacons, Class of 2012: Jennifer Bullock, Laura Morales and Mark Schroeder

Elders, Class of 2012: Cindy Baschnagel, Gaston Broyles, Karen Davis, Linda Icenhauer-Ramirez, Dick Klusmann and Dale Shumaker

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of all wisdom, like Abraham, You call us to leave the known, and venture out into wilderness. Unlike Abraham, we drag our heels, asking questions, making excuses. Teach us to be people of faith, and to trust in You. God of all understanding, like Abraham, You invite us into Your story, a story that has always been, and always will be.**

**Unlike Abraham, we ask for more information, and try to pick our own roles. Teach us to be people of courage, and to trust in You. Remind us God, that every time we turn from You, your invitation home remains.**

**Be in our worries and our fears, ever nudging us toward Your vision for our lives. Hear now the prayers of our hearts...**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI: #577 (Blue Hymnal)

*Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

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ANTHEM: **Praise the Lord, Proclaim His Glory** Joseph M. Martin  
Worship Choir

SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 11:8-19

HYMN OF MEDITATION: #319 (Blue Hymnal) **Spirit**

SCRIPTURE READING: Genesis 12:1-9

SERMON "God Builds a Nation" The Rev. Larry Coulter

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY: #815 (Gray Hymnal)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below.*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

CLOSING HYMN: #811 (Gray Hymnal) **Another Year is Dawning**

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE: #236 (Gray Hymnal)  
**The Lord Bless You and Keep You**

POSTLUDE