



5th Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, February 7, 2010

2:00 pm Worship



**hope church
and
Central Congregational Church**

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

You are invited to light a candle at any time during worship that we might all share in the Light.

During Communion find members of our prayer team are available to pray with you.

Our prayer team will pray through the week the prayers that you offer via the prayer request form.

We hope you will let us know that you have been with us by completing the form in the bulletin.



Living Hope

Welcome

Opening Song "Joyful, Joyful , We Adore Thee"

Confession, Assurance and Celebration

Prayer & Silence

Sung Confession:

"Ubi Caritas"



U-bi ca-ri - tas et e - mor, u-bi ca-ri - tas De-us i - bi est.

(Translation: Where charity and love are, there God is.)

Assurance of Forgiveness and God's Presence

Passing of the Peace One: The peace of Christ be with you all. **All: And also with you.**

Sung Celebration: "We Will Walk With God"

We will walk with God, my sisters, we will walk with God.

We will walk with God, my brothers, we will walk with God.

We will go rejoicing til the kingdom has come.

Call To Prayer

Hope Church Singers

Prayers of the People

In addition to our open prayer time, you are encouraged to use the prayer circles that are available during Holy Communion and the Prayer Request in this bulletin which will bring your prayers to the attention of the pastor and the prayer ministry team.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture

A musical score for the hymn 'Al-le-lu-ia'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! (hum)'. There is a repeat sign at the beginning of the first staff. The word 'Al-le-lu-ia' is written below the first staff, and '(Al - le - lu - ia)' is written below the second staff.

Psalm 138

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help

them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

One: The Word of Truth **All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Michael McSherry

Hymn

"Tu has venido a la orilla"
(You Have Come down to the Lakeshore)

COMMUNION

Offering

Invitation to Joyful Stewardship

Sung Response (Amen), Procession of Gifts and Prayer of Dedication

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Feast: *This is an open table; everyone is welcome. You are invited forward to receive the bread and dip it into the bowls of grape juice or the chalice of wine. Gluten Free "bread" is available. Should you need assistance; a server will bring you the communion elements*

Communion Prayer and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of our Savior (sins; sins against us)

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever, amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Closing Hymn

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Benediction

CHILD CARE

Child Care and is available in the parlor,
(through right hand door at the front of the sanctuary).

LIVING HOPE

Worship This Week & Beyond:

Invite a friend to come along and join us for worship.

Today, Sunday, Feb 7th: **Worship 2:00pm** Rev. Michael McSherry preaching.
Congregational Meeting 3:1pm
Simple Prayer Service: 5:30pm

Next Sunday, Feb 14th:

Worship 10:30am: Rev. Michael McSherry preaching.

Worship 5:30pm: Rev. Wendy Miller Olapade peaching. We gather to celebrate Mardi Gras and the ministry of Fred Hayes as we send him to serve the wider church with the Massachusetts Council of Churches.

SMALL GROUPS, MINISTRIES, UPCOMING EVENTS:

Hope Do-Drop In Book Group: will meet on Tuesday, Feb 23, at 6:30 p.m. This month's book is Tracy Kidder's STRENGTH IN WHAT REMAINS (the inspiring story of a young medical student who fled Burundi's civil war, immigrated to the U.S., and never lost his love for his homeland.. Stacey Schamber will host the group. Please email her if you plan to attend: slschamber@gmail.com

Haitian Cultural Arts Fundraiser: The Roslindale Congregational Church, RI Teen Institute, Bethesda- Haiti, & Haitian Family Organization is teaming up with local artists to launch a cultural arts fundraiser that will benefit organizations working to support victims of the January 12, 2010 earthquake in Haiti. It will take place on Sunday, February 21st, 2-5 pm in the church, located at 25 Cummins Hwy, across from the Roslindale Post Office. (Snow date the following Sunday, Feb. 28, same time). The show will include poetry, music, dance and art. Please come and show your support for this great cause. Admission is free and donations will be greatly appreciated. Your gift now will help distribute life-saving relief supplies including food, clean water, blankets, medical supplies and tents to children and families devastated by the earthquake and aftershocks in Haiti.



Lazarus at the Gate Small Group: Abbi Holt and Kathleen Mendola are going to start another Lazarus at the Gate Small Group. Hope has had 2 cycles of Lazarus already and it is a very powerful experience. As part of the study, we make four commitments: to do one act of gratitude each day, to spend less money on ourselves, to consume more justly, and to give some of our money away. Please contact Kathleen if you would like to join the group at mol-liepuck@yahoo.com. They will be meeting every other week, starting mid-February. For more information, please see the website at http://www.hopecboston.org/community/social_justice/lazarus_groups

Knitting at Kitty Dukakis Treatment Center for Women: will gather at KDTCW on Friday, February 12, at 7:30pm Contact Nancy Azar for information (njazar@rcn.com)

Fundraising for the Kitty Dukakis Treatment Center: Lisa Price has qualified to run in the Boston Marathon in April and will be fundraising for the KDTC. Please support her in these efforts by donating at: <http://www.firstgiving.com/runforhopefound> .

From the Social Justice Ministry Team

Continue to support debt cancellation for Haiti

The number of people talking about debt cancellation for Haiti is growing every day, but we need to keep the pressure on to ensure it actually happens. Send a letter to your representative and sign a petition to Treasury Secretary Geithner at: http://salsa.democracyinaction.org/o/863/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=2118

There is a group going to visit Senator Kerry's office on Feb 10 to ask him to support the Jubilee Act for Responsible Lending and Expanded Debt Relief and to support a bill to cancel Haiti's debt. If you would like to join us for the meeting, please email Neeka at NStan108@gmail.com. If you can't come with us, then please consider signing a letter that we'll be taking with us to show that others also support this. You can do that at this link:http://salsa.democracyinaction.org/o/863/p/dia/action/public/?action_KEY=2155

Resources for Local Haitians Seeking Temporary Protected Status Resources for Local Haitians Seeking Temporary Protected Status

Please share this information if you know anyone who may need it:

AIDS Action Committee's Legal Services Department (AAC) will begin offering assistance to Haitians looking to receive temporary protected status for immigration. The U.S. Government has officially announced that Haitians in the United States as of January 12, 2010 will be eligible to receive temporary protected status to remain in the U.S. for at least 18 months, and even to work.

AAC will be holding walk-in clinics to provide information about TPS and to assist in filling out the necessary forms.

Clinics will be at AAC (75 Amory St, Boston) on Mondays from 10am to 12pm for as long as they are needed. This clinic is open to all Haitians, not just clients of AAC and not just those with HIV. They may also be opening other sites. Please direct questions about the clinic to their Legal Line at 617-450-1317



“Hear this...
stop and consider
the wondrous works
of God.”

Job 37:14

HOPE CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Ministers: All of us!

Interim Pastor:

Rev. Wendy Miller Olapade, pastor@hopeboston.org

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Hope Church Singers,
Bobby Hall, Neil Helme, Todor Stoinov

Interim Minister

Spiritual Formation & Christian Education

Leadership Circle:

Bob Drake, board@hopeboston.org (Moderator)
John Brock, J Conlon, Christie Dustman, Abbi Holt,
Stacey Schamber, Andrew Taylor, Judy Wagoner,
and Pam Wiley

HOPE CHURCH MINISTRIES

Hope Church is a vibrant and growing community with lots of ways to get involved. Please contact these leaders and let us know where you feel called to serve and we'll plug you in!

Casserole Care:

Kathy Bermingham

Children's Church:

Frank Stevens

Finance:

All of us....

Hospitality:

Polly Hamlen

In Care Committee

Laura Everett

Nominating Committee:

Beverly Pacheco

Prayer Ministry:

Search Committee:

Beth Chandler

Seminarian Support:

Rev. Wendy Miller Olapade

Rev. Steven Vandergrift

Social Justice:

Neeka Stanley

Stewardship:

Ellen Snoeyenbos

Welcome Baby:

Barbara McQueen

Welcome Wagon:

Jean Vandergrift

Worship, Arts and Music:

Nanette Savides

Welcome to Hope Church and Central Congregational Church...

Welcome to all who have no church home, need strength, want to follow Christ, have doubts, or do not believe.

Welcome to new visitors and to old friends.

Welcome to grandparents, to mothers, fathers, and single people.

Welcome to people of all colors, cultures, abilities, and sexual orientations, to old and young, to believers and questioners – and welcome to questioning believers.

Welcome to everyone!

Tonight we are all invited to live into God's love, peace, and justice.

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