

UNION CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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CHURCH OFFICE 748-6329

PASTOR BROWN 748-1358

May 18, 2008

8:30 AM

PRELUDE

Betty Phinney

8:25 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

***GREETINGS & GATHERINGS:** “Grace be to you and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.”

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Psalm 8 KJV

***HYMNS OF PRAISE:** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” #89

“Sing the Almighty Power of God” #152

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles’ Creed #881

***GLORIA PATRI:** #70

UNISON PRAYER: “Lord God, Heavenly Father, You who created us - and redeemed us - and sustain us - we rejoice that You have chosen us to be Your own and that You visit us and dwell with us and open to us the way to abundant life. We are full of awe and wonder at what You have done and what you continue to do. By Your Word the heavens and the earth were made. By the bounty of Your mercy in Christ Jesus we have been born to new life. Your Spirit fills the whole world with Your loving kindness and gives us the power we need to be Your witnesses and to lift up Your Holy Name. Blessed are You, O God, and blessed are all who live in You. Help us today to joyfully proclaim our faith and to worship You as You deserve. Bring us closer to You and to one another and in our prayer and our thanksgiving, our hearing and our speaking, and our giving and receiving make us more completely Thine. We ask it in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. In Jesus’ name who has taught us to pray:”

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PRAYER CHORUS: “He Knows My Name”

OFFERTORY VERSE: “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.”

Genesis 1:1-2 KJV

OFFERTORY CHORUS: “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” #420

Presentations of Tithes and Offerings

***DOXOLOGY:** #95

HYMN OF PREPARATION: “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” #103

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 28:17-20 Pew Bible #967

MESSAGE: “God In Three Persons, Blessed Trinity” Pastor Brown

***HYMN OF INVITATION:** “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” #64

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NURSERY: Betsy Shumaker

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***TIME OF PRAISE:** "Trading My Sorrows"
"In Christ Alone"
"Once Again"

A TIME OF SHARING OF TESTIMONIES AND PRAYER CONCERNS AND TIME OF PRAYER:

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A TIME OF WORSHIPPING WITH OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND SPECIAL MUSIC:

OFERTORY SPECIAL:

CD Music

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"Salvation Belongs To Our God"
"You Are My All In All"

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***BENEDICTION**

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