



CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH

Minister: Rev. Dr. Steven J. Chambers
Music Director: David Cameron
Moderator: Joyce Holden
Minister Emeritus: Rev. Dr. C. Wayne Hilliker

May 25, 2008

2nd Sunday after Pentecost
The Sacrament of Baptism

ORDER OF SERVICE

** Congregation please stand if you are able.
Our ushers have LARGE PRINT bulletins and hearing assist equipment.

Gathering of the People

PRELUDE: *The organ music at this service is from the Suite du 2^{ième} ton by Louis-Nicolas Clérambault*

** PROCESSIONAL HYMN 232 *Joyful, Joyful*

** CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord
And shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!
**All: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving,
singing joyful songs of praise.**
One: Let us proclaim God's glory to the nations,
All: God's marvellous deeds to all peoples.
One: Let us worship God.

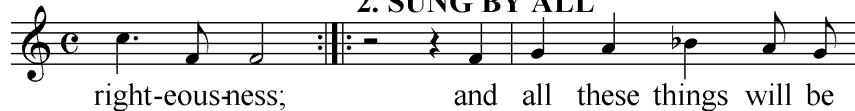
** INTROIT *Matthew 6:33* David Cameron

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** GATHERING PRAYER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Presentation of Candidate:

Elizabeth Anne Veldman

Daughter of Leslie Anne (Arrand) Veldman and David Harman Veldman

Promises of the Parents

**A New Creed

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

The Act of Baptism

Declaration and Congregational Welcome

Into the household of faith, we welcome you with joy and thanksgiving.

We are members of the Body of Christ.

We are inheritors of God's promise.

In the name of Christ, we welcome you.

Presentation of certificate

**HYMN 644 *I was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*

*Following the announcements children
are invited to come forward.*

Proclamation of the Word

THE SCRIPTURES

One: Through scripture we meet the Living God.

Sung by All: Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light unto my path. VU 956

First Reading: Isaiah 49: 8 – 16a

One: Herein is Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM:

Eric Thiman

Sing Alleluia forth in duteous praise, ye citizens of heaven, O sweetly raise an endless Alleluia; you powers who stand before the eternal Light, in hymning choirs re-echo to the height an endless Alleluia.

The holy city shall take up your strain, and with glad songs resounding wake again an endless Alleluia; in blissful antiphons you thus rejoice, to render to the Lord with thankful voice an endless Alleluia.

You who have gained at length your palms in bliss, victorious ones, your chant shall still be this an endless Alleluia! There, in one grand acclaim forever ring the strains which tell the honour of your King, an endless Alleluia!

While thee, by whom were all things made, we praise for ever, and tell out in sweetest lays an endless Alleluia, Almighty Christ, to thee our voices sing "Glory for evermore!"; to thee we bring an endless Alleluia. (5th century Latin, trans. John Ellerton, alt)

The Gospel: Matthew 6: 24-34

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

****HYMN 808** *On Eagle's Wings*

SERMON: *Not forgotten*

The Response of the People

MOTET: *Psalm 81:1-4*

Adrian Batten

O sing joyfully unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob! Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret, the merry harp with the lute! Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, ev'n in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day: for this was made a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob!

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Loving God, in whom is heaven.

The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed

**by the people of the earth!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power
that is love, now and forever.
Amen.**

The Book of Common Prayer of New Zealand (Anglican)

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY MUSIC:

L. N. Clérambault

**** SONG OF DEDICATION 540**

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully.**

****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

****HYMN 633 Bless Now, O God, the Journey**

****COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION**

****RESPONSE: AMEN!**

POSTLUDE:

L. N. Clérambault