

Jesus Christ, *Head of the Church*
The Congregation, *Ministers of the Gospel*
Rev. Dr. Kenneth L. Beale, Jr., *Pastor of the Flock*

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
3 January 2010 — 11:00 a.m.

*The whole world was lost in the darkness of sin,
The Light of the world is Jesus;
Like sunshine at noonday His glory shone in,
The Light of the world is Jesus. — Bliss*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

We are glad that you are here for worship today!

*The * indicates that you are invited to stand ... as you are able.*

*The ** indicates times for the ushers to seat latecomers.*

*The **bold print** indicates readings/choral responses of the congregation.*

If you have a cell phone, please turn off the ringer. Thank you.

Prelude

“Selections”

Consider using this time to meditate upon the *Pastor's Pointers* and prepare yourself to receive a blessing from God. Kindly be considerate of your neighbor's need for silence. We encourage your conversations to be held during the fellowship hour ... following worship ... in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

Lighting of Altar Candles

Symbol of the Spirit's Presence

Lighting of the POW/MIA Candle

Ringling of the Ship Bell

Call to Worship L = Leader P = People

L: God's light shines upon our world to lead us out of the darkness of sin.

P: The brightness of God's presence in Christ reveals our sin, but also His love.

L: God's revelation in Christ is His gift to the whole world. All are invited to receive His love.

P: We praise God for His Son, who is the Savior of the world!

***Processional Hymn of Praise**

“As With Gladness Men of Old” # 267

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1. As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; so, Lord Jesus, may we too evermore be led to you.
2. As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to your lowly bed, there to bend the knee before you whom heaven and earth adore, so may we with willing feet ever seek your mercy seat.
3. As they offered gifts most rare at your candle rude and bare, so may we with holy joy, pure, and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to you, our heavenly King.
4. Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way; and, when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last where they need no star to guide, where no clouds your glory hide.

***Invocation**

Regarding Parking: The *DNR* has communicated to us that **vehicles cannot be parked along any yellow curbs**. These areas must be available to emergency vehicles only. They have warned us that violators will be ticketed. If the Chapel parking lot is full, please park at the MN Historical Society parking lot ... and let *RideShare* take you to-and-from the Chapel. Thank you.

Operation *RideShare* — The *Foundation* has established this program ... in response to our growing attendance and shrinking parking lot. Any Sunday it appears that the chapel parking lot is about full, a team of volunteers will proceed to their vehicles, post a reserved parking sign in their space, and drive over to the MN Historical Society parking lot ... our overflow site ... where they will display a *RideShare* sign on their automobile and transport members and visitors to/from the worship service. They will make these trips as often as required to transport all persons desiring to attend worship. If you feel God is calling you to this ministry, then pick up the information form ... located in the Fellowship Hall ... and return it to the *Foundation* office. Thank you.

In the Event of 3” or more of snowfall on a Sunday morning, the *DNR* has requested that we not enter the Chapel parking lot until **after 9:30 a.m.** This will enable the state to clear our much needed parking spaces. Thank you for honoring this request. Please call our *Foundation* office at 612/970-7866 for any announcement of **corporate worship cancellation**.

The Foundation Web site ... *check it out*. The index is consolidated into five main selections with a number of sub-titles. Under the heading of **Happenings** are the **Video Channel 6**. Take a few minutes to view episodes of the Metro Cable Network Channel 6 segments that have aired in the past year on TV. The **Fund Raising** button will take you to **Online Shopping** which allows you to select a merchant to order items for your household while earning a commission for the *Foundation*. **Try this feature** ... it is a simple way to shop from the comfort of your home and its free.

This Week in U. S. Military History —**3 Jan 1777** — *Battle of Princeton***8 Jan 1815** — *Battle of New Orleans* (last battle of War of 1812)**8 Jan 1967** — began *Operation Cedar Falls***9 Jan 1945** — began *Operation Mike I*

Beanie Babies ... are being collected to send to a U.S. surgeon in Bagdad who gives them to little children after he attends to their health care needs. Just drop them off here at the Chapel. Shipping costs are already covered. For more information, contact Les & Linda Hanson (651/428-0834). Thank you.

The “**MN Fallen Heroes Remembered**” calendar is available for purchase (\$10) in the Fellowship Hall. All proceeds benefit the Bryan McDonough Military Heroes Foundation.

MN Historical Society Exhibit — “*Minnesota’s Greatest Generation: The Depression ♦ The War ♦ The Boom.*” You won’t want to miss this! Admission is \$10 for adults; \$8 for seniors and college students; \$5 for children (ages 6-17); free for children 5 and under. For more information about the exhibit and discounts for veterans call (651) 259-3000 or visit [www.mnhs.org/mmggevents].
▶ Any WW2 veterans who did not receive their *free* pass, please contact Ted Stamos (651) 633-7067.

All Reports are due to the *Foundation* Office by **Sun, 10 Jan** ... in preparation for publishing the *2009 Annual Report*.

Checkout ... the numerous photos and correspondence posted in the glass showcase mounted in the Fellowship Hall.

Any Faulty Audio Tapes ... may be returned/replaced free-of-charge. We apologize for any problems in reproduction.

OUR CHAPEL FAMILY ALBUM will be available for pick-up in the Fellowship Hall today! Those who had their photograph taken in the spring will receive one copy per family. These albums will NOT be mailed ... so if you are not able to obtain your copy one of these two Sundays, please see Carolyn Stromvall or Becky VanMeter for your copy.

Instrumentalists: The *Chapel Foundation* is interesting in seeing what (if any) interest there might be to form an instrumental ensemble to share talents at some Sunday worship service(s). If interested, please speak with our Minister of Music — Craig Tennison (612/729-7990). Be sure to tell him what instrument(s) you play. Thank you.

***Choral Response**

(sung by all)

The Lord is in his holy temple;
Let all the earth keep silence before him.

**** Organ Interlude****Call to Confession****Prayer of Confession**

(in unison)

We rejoice in the glory of Christ your Son, O Lord, who brings your light into our world. But we must confess: We confine your light to our lives, leaving others in darkness. Forgive us when we abuse your glory possessively rather than sharing it as a gift for all the world. Use us as messengers of your salvation; that our world may be brought to your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon***Gloria Patri**

(sung by all)

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

***Statement of Faith**The Apostles’ Creed, *Ecumenical Version*

L: Christian, what do you believe?

**P: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

****Organ Interlude**

Ministry of Music "Selection"
Scripture Reading Isaiah 60:1-6 (refer to insert)
Sermon "From Darkness to Light" Chaplain Beale
***Hymn of Response** "Christ Is the World's Light"
 Tune: "Father Almighty, Bless Us with Your Blessing" # 121

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1. Christ is the world's light, Christ and none other; born in our darkness, he became our brother. If we have seen him, we have seen the Father: Glory to God on high!
2. Christ is the world's peace, Christ and none other; no one can serve him and despise another. Who else unites us, one in God the Father? Glory to God on high!
3. Christ is the world's life, Christ and none other, sold once for silver, murdered here, our brother; he, who redeems us, reigns with God the Father: Glory to God on High! Amen.

Greeting and Sharing of Church Life

We share the community announcements and invite visitors to register attendance with us by completing the card provided in the pew card-holder. Also, prayer requests may be written on the card and placed on the offering plate.

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Dedication Prayer
 Offertory Music "Selection"
 *Stewardship Response (sung by all)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise him, all creatures here below;
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Call to Prayer

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
 Leader: Lord in your mercy,
 People: Hear our prayer.

Pastoral Prayer of the People
 The 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 trespasses, as we
 forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not
 into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Altar Flowers: Select the Sunday nearest an event for purchasing (\$14. for one arrangement or \$28. for both) altar flowers *in memory* or *in honor* of loved ones or *to the glory of God*. Such notations are made in the bulletin. Simply secure and complete the envelope form in the Fellowship Hall ... and deposit it (with payment) in the offering plate or mail it to the *Foundation* Office. Donors are welcome to take the flowers following worship. Any flowers remaining are given to veteran homes to enjoy.

The large Blue Star Service Flag hanging in the chancel area ... just below the eternal flame ... will remain on display until all our loved ones who have been mobilized for "The War on Terrorism" return home. (You can read their names on the *Honor Roll* on display in the Fellowship Hall.)

Show Your Support ... for our troops ... by securing a **Yellow Ribbon** in the Fellowship Hall to display on your property. Please do not take more than one per family. These are provided by Marlene Willock.

Each Week ... in the chancel area ... we light a single candle placed in the unoccupied pew designated for the remembrance of POWs (prisoners of war) and MIAs (missing in action) — lest we forget.

An Honor Roll: The *Foundation* wishes to recognize family members currently serving in the "War Against Terrorism." If you have a relative currently serving in the U. S. Armed Forces, please complete the form found in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

Future Veterans/Patriotic Events: Throughout the year the chapel community pays tribute on the Sunday nearest to a number of national commemorations, including these up-coming events: **Four Chaplains** (31 Jan 10); **Memorial Day** (30 May 10); **Independence Day** (4 Jul 10); **9/11 Remembrance** (12 Sep 10); **POW/MIA** (19 Sep 10); **Veterans Day** (7 Nov 10); **Pearl Harbor Remembrance** (5 Dec 10). Mark your calendar with these dates!

WW2 Vets ... are encouraged to wear their red/white/blue ribboned medallions presented to them from the State of Minnesota.

Collecting for Deployed Troops: You are welcome to place items in the shopping cart in the Fellowship Hall ... at any time. (Refer to the list of preferred items ... available on the information table.)

Weekly Volunteers ... are needed to serve as *nursery nannies*. Please prayerfully consider signing up on the calendar posted in the nursery. Thank you.

Chapel Lapel Pins are available following worship in the Fellowship Hall for just **\$3**. Consider wearing this pin as a witness to your participation in the *Chapel Foundation*.

FREE Decals ... of the new *Chapel Foundation* logo ... are available for placing on your home and automobile windows.

Full-Color Note Cards ... of a historic painting of the Chapel and an exterior photo of the Chapel ... are available for purchase. For **\$10** you get 10 cards and envelopes. **Also**, picture **postcards** are now available (3 for **\$1.**) ... in the Fellowship Hall.

For Your Health & Safety: The *Foundation* has secured a new Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) ... in case of a cardiac emergency. Eleven members of the *Foundation* have received CPR/AED training.

Assisted Hearing Devices are available from an usher ... upon request.

Upcoming Meetings ... open to anyone interested in attending:
Sat 13 Feb (9 a.m.) — **Worship Committee** @ Richfield Am Leg
Sat 13 Feb (11a.m.) — **Fellowship Comm** @ Richfield Am Leg
Sat 20 Feb (9 a.m.) — **Publicity Comm** @ Richfield Am Leg

Those Of You Collecting Campbell Soups Labels for *Children's Haven* in Mexico, all that is needed now is the bar code from each label.

Call at Any Time ... 612/970-7866 (press ext. 2) ... and hear a devotional by Chaplain Ken.

If You Did Not Receive ... the current issue of *The Snelling Spirit* newsletter, be sure to get a copy in the Fellowship Hall today!

If You Would Like To Receive our bimonthly newsletter (*The Snelling Spirit*) ... mailed to you ... please note such on the card found in the pew pocket holder ... and place it on the offering plate.

Reprints ... of Chaplain Ken's *Snelling Spirit* article about the *Foundation's* uncompromising stance on traditional values ... is available for distribution to neighbors and friends.

***Recessional Hymn of Dedication**

"Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light" UMH # 223

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1. Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light, and usher in the morning; O shepherds, shrink not with af-fright, but hear the angel's warning. This child, now weak in infancy, our confidence and joy shall be, the power of Satan breaking, our peace eternal making.
2. This night of wonder, night of joy, was born the Christ, our brother; he comes, not mighty to destroy, to bid us love each other. How could he quit his kingly state for such a world of greed and hate? What deep humiliation secured the world's salvation!
3. Come, dearest child, into our hearts, and leave your crib behind you! Let this be where the new life starts for all who seek and find you. To you the honor, thanks, and praise, for all your gifts this time of grace; come, conquer and deliver this world, and us, forever.

***Benediction**

***Extinguishing of the POW/MIA Candle**

***Choral Response** (sung by all)
Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might, great God, our King. Amen.

***Extinguishing of Altar Candles** *Taking the Light into the World*

Postlude "Selection"

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE
 AT THE REAR OF THE SANCTUARY. ALSO,
 CHILDREN'S BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE.**

WORSHIP LEADER: Dick Studiner

FELLOWSHIP GREETERS: Kermit and Kathleen Bischoff

SPECIAL MUSIC: A sincere welcome to baritone soloist, **Don Bakke**. Don is no stranger to the Chapel; but has blessed us in the past. Many thanks for sharing your time and talents with us this Lord's Day!

CHANCEL FLOWERS: Presented by the *Chapel Foundation* is gratitude for God's faithfulness this past year of 2009 and in expectation of His abundant grace in 2010.

Announcements

Please Join Us ... in the Fellowship Hall ... **each Sunday** following the worship service. A cup of coffee, tea, or punch awaits you, along with delicious treats prepared by our *Kitchen Angels*.

For Children at Worship: Parents are welcome to make use of the "activities clipboards" available in the narthex. Children may keep their used papers, but kindly return the board and supplies following worship. For children 4 years of age and under, we invite you to make use of our nursery located downstairs.

Kindly Assist Us by wearing your name tag each week. Learning one another's names is extremely important to our growth as a church family. If you don't have one or have misplaced yours ... so indicate on the pew card *or* call the Chapel Office at (612/970-7866) to request one. Be sure to pick up your name tag the next week in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for cooperating with this request.

Audio Tapes of the weekly services are available immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall ... for a **\$3** donation.

DVDs of the sermon are available for a **\$5** donation. These are pre-paid and available for pick up the next week ... or shipped to you for an additional **\$2**. Place your orders in the Fellowship Hall today.

FREE Devotional Materials are available to you in the Fellowship Hall. Choice of over thirty topics in *Care Notes*. The (Dec-Feb) *Our Daily Bread* devotional is available. Also, we have LARGE PRINT copies of *Our Daily Bread* (Jan-Mar) now available.

Adult Christian Education ... each Sunday (10-10:30 a.m.) in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. Bring your Bible and a writing instrument.

Next Week (10 Jan) is the ***First Sunday after Epiphany***. Chaplain Beale will bring a timely message he has entitled, ***"Fixing Your Eyes on Jesus"*** ... based on Hebrews 12:1-3. The special music will be harpist, **Chris Ward**.

Our New (2009) Chapel Directory (pink cover) **is available**. Pick up a copy in the Fellowship Hall today.

A Special Welcome to our Visitors . . .

We are delighted you have chosen to worship here today! May you experience a sincere welcome and a sense of God's love for you. We gather as a community of faith to share the *Good News* of Jesus Christ. We encourage you to return again ... and bring others with you. We hope that we may provide the sense of community and stimulation of character you have been searching for!

We provide individual pastoral care by request. You may call Chaplain Ken for an appointment. We are willing to provide additional services as needed; simply call the Chapel Office (612/970-7866) or Chaplain Ken (612/747-1059). If you would like to talk about the sacrament of baptism for yourself or a member of your family, arrangements can be made by contacting the Chaplain. Persons desiring the Chaplain to officiate at a wedding may speak with Chaplain Ken to schedule a pre-marital session.

For bookings of the Chapel, please contact the Fort Snelling State Park directly at 612/725-2390.

Upholding the Chapel with our Membership Vows of . . .

Prayers: George Dedeker, Guy Anderson, Bruce Mohn, Brenda Stormoen, Shirley Berglund, Juanita Rector, Shig Kiriara, Gene Schultz, Dee Dee Wilcox, Marilyn Smith, Helen Wilson, Gayle Scott, Mary Lou Oss, Marcel Olson, Clarice Nygaard, Russ Green, Ken Ziesmer, Lou Trowbridge, Les Nelson, Jim Bischoff, Karen Ayers, G.T. Gunhus, Ed Schmidt, Glenn Zinniel, Lois Bray, William Rasmussen, Norman Vetsch, John Thompson III, Bob Wenners, Liz Emerson, Sylvia Rossman, Ray Nagell, Gordy Ziesmer, Bob Bernloehr, Cicely Moon, Robbie Disel, George Weiss, Robbie Rudebusch, Jim Rosen, Taelar Bills, family of Wayne Schmedakey

Presence: Sunday, 20 December 2009 witness at worship = **156**
Christmas Eve, 24 Dec 2009 witness at worship = **142 & 55**
Sunday, 27 December 2009 witness at worship = **142**

Gifts: Sunday, 20 December 2009 offerings = **\$ 3,283.25**
Christmas Eve, 24 Dec 2009 offerings = **\$2,335.00 & \$572.00**
Sunday, 27 December 2009 offerings = **\$ 2,553.00**

Service: Many thanks to **Dick Studiner** for coordinating worship our leaders.

Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation Staff

Rev. Dr. Kenneth L. Beale, Jr.
Craig Tennison
Leila Campbell

Chaplain
Minister of Music
Office Manager

Benevolence: This congregation tithes (10%) its plate offerings. If you know of an organization/ministry ... that is in keeping with our purpose ... please feel free to secure an application to submit for financial support in 2010. Simply call the *Foundation* Office at 612/970-7866 ... and provide a name and mailing address.

Interested in Helping? There is a hanging sign-up roster in the Fellowship Hall ... near the kitchen entrance ... for **assisting with our weekly fellowship hour**. Please consider volunteering. For more information call Terry Ulstad at 952/894-3865.

Wanted: *Caring Hearts* — Men and women of compassion who would be willing to make contact with our cherished “home-bound” members or to write to our deployed troops. If interested, please contact Janet Brautigam (952/758-2364). And if you know of any member who is permanently home-bound, please call.

If You Have a Prayer Request ... our *Prayer Chain* can be activated by calling our coordinator, **Kay Schoen** (651/481-1416). Your prayer concerns will be held confidential and shared only among the prayer chain members.

Consider purchasing a tax-deductible memorial item from the list of approved things desired for the chapel. Secure a copy of the complete list of memorial items in the Fellowship Hall.

Chapel is Appearing on Cable: Metro Cable Network - Channel 6 airs *Talk of the Twin Cities*; and *The Chapel Call* airs weekly on a number of community access channels including: Bloomington (16), Edina (15), Savage (15), White Bear Lake (14), Inver Grove Hgts (16), Stillwater (18) and others. Consult your TV guide for additional broadcasts. Tune in ... and encourage your friends to do the same.

Next Holy Communion is offered on **Sun 21 Feb** and is open for all to receive as a sacramental gift from God.

If You've Got an E-Mail Address ... then contact Ted Nemzek at [tnemzek@comcast.net] to receive a weekly message reminder of activities at the Chapel. This colorful and attractive message is one you can forward to family and friends ... for which they can sign-up to receive.

A Lending Library ... of religious books is available in the Fellowship Hall. Persons are encourage to borrow and return books on a “self serve” basis.