

# WEBSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MAY 4, 2008 11:00 A.M.  
7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*(Please be sure to sign-in on the Fellowship Pad today!)*

PRELUDE

*Sing to the Lord a Song of Rejoicing*

Lani Smith

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Mark Cooper

INTROIT

*The Hash Chorus*  
Children's Choir

✠CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God of Spirit and matter,

**People: God of heaven and earth,**

Leader: God of grape and grain,

**People: We praise you for the gift of gathering,**

Leader: For the gift of coming together once again as a family of faith.

**People: All praise and glory to you, Lord God.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

✠HYMN OF PRAISE

*Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

#462 vs. 1 & 3

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

**Gracious and merciful God, you call us to love you with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength. Yet, we confess that we are easily distracted and often lured into pursuits that are unworthy of our deepest devotion. We give ourselves unconditionally to work, but neglect our relationships; our overcrowded schedules leave no room for prayer and meditation. Forgive us, we pray. Turn our hearts once again so that we may desire that which is holy and good and true for the sake of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.**

SILENT CONFESSION . . .  
. . . **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† GLORIA PATRI #579  
*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.*

† MOMENT OF FELLOWSHIP

CHILDREN'S TIME  
*Dismissal to Growing in God's Love (GIGL)*

MINUTE FOR MISSION  
Youth

BELL ANTHEM Leona von  
Brethorst  
*He Has Made Me Glad*  
Young Chimers

**BAPTISM**

*Ava Jean Murphy born April 6, 2007*  
Parents: Shane Trube & Dawn Elizabeth Murphy  
Grandparents: Jerry & Laurie Albrigo  
Mark & Gene Cegielski  
Phil & Jan Landon  
George Murphy  
Great Grandparents: Dale & Alice Wolfe  
Betty Corley

WELCOME

Elder: Will the congregation please join me in welcoming Ava?

**Congregation: With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome her into  
Christ's church; for we all are one in Christ.**

BAPTISM HYMN #492 verse 1  
*Baptized in Water*

FIRST READING Acts 1:6-14

ANTHEM F. J. Haydn, arr. Doug  
Wagner  
*The Heavens Are Telling*  
Faith Choir

SECOND READING The Book of Ecclesiastes, Selected Verses  
Leader: The word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Rev. Mark Cooper

*“Chasing After the Wind”*

*(Please pass Prayer Requests to the aisle for the ushers to pick up and bring forward)*

✠ CHORUS OF THANKSGIVING

**Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother – all who live in love are Thine;  
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.**

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God, Creator of beauty, source of every breath,  
foundation of every movement. God leads us beside still waters,  
makes us lie down in green splendor and lets nature heal and restore us.  
We believe in Jesus, the risen Christ, who loved the least, the last and  
the lost. Christ loves us, calls us by name and cleanses us from our sins.  
We believe in the Spirit, who gathers us into a rainbow-colored  
community, gives us a song to sing and prepares a feast for us all.  
We live as God’s people, filled with everlasting hope and showered with  
blessing.**

COMMUNION

*Chorale in B Minor*

Cesar Franck/  
arr. L. N. Porter

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

MORNING PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God . . . .

. . . in all times and places your people proclaim your glory in  
unending praise:

**“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

. . . Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

. . . Through your Son Jesus Christ, we offer his prayer:

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,**



*WPC's vision is to encounter the loving God, to nurture followers of Jesus Christ, and to meet human needs.*