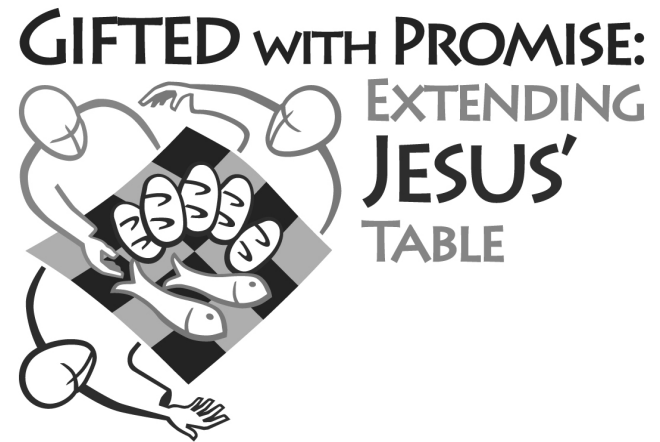


Church of the Brethren Annual Conference  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

# Saturday Worship

July 2, 2011



## LEADING IN WORSHIP

Preacher ..... Robert Alley  
Worship Leader ..... Tim Harvey  
Music Coordinator ..... Bev Anspaugh  
Choir Director ..... Alan Gumm  
Organist ..... Josh Tindall  
Pianist ..... Jenny Williams  
Soloist ..... Erin Matteson

Ecclesia Bell Choir

Manchester (IN) Church of the Brethren

Director ..... Marilyn Sexton Mason  
Ringers ..... Becky Unger, Amy Shively, Wanda Miller  
Jeff Hunn, Linda Amburgey, Janelle Flory Schrock  
Kendra Flory

Video Technician ..... Ken Wenger  
Worship Coordinator ..... Diane Mason

Preacher  
Robert E. Alley

Worship Leader  
Tim Harvey

*"A Tale of Two Tables"*

6:50 P.M. Announcements  
7:00 P.M. Centering Music  
7:15 P.M. Prelude

## GATHERING AS ONE BODY FOR WORSHIP

### Invitation to Worship

\*Hymns           *Fresh as the Morning*, vv. 1, 2, 5           #10  
                    *Great is Thy Faithfulness*, vv. 1, 3       #11  
                    *Holy Spirit, Come with Power*, vv. 1, 2   #13

### Prayer of Confession

### Invitation to Prayer

### Guided Prayer

*One: Our loving God, we--the Church of the Brethren--have gathered here in his place to lift up your name and do the work of the church. Be with us in these days.*

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*One: Even as we have barely begun, start a new work in our hearts. Speak to us. Show us the ways that we have forgotten to love you, and neglected to love one another.*

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*One: For a stubborn commitment to forms and styles of worship that suit most of who we are, but are foreign to many who have not grown up in the church,*

**All: Forgive us.**

*One: For our complacency in giving testimony to your power and presence in our lives,*

**All: Forgive us.**

*One: For our unwillingness to distinguish between being the citizen of a nation and being a citizen of the Kingdom of God,*

**All: Forgive us.**

*One: For not extending Jesus' table to the stranger nor recognizing the wonderful promise with which we have each been gifted,*

**All: Forgive us.**

*One: Hear us, Lord, as we confess our own private sins to you.*

{TIME OF SILENT PRAYER}

Hymn:           *Jesus, let us come to know you*           #18  
                    *(Soloist sings v.1; congregation responds with vs.1 & 2)*

### Assurance of Pardon

## OUR SHARED LIFE TOGETHER

### Our offerings in many forms

*After the usher passes your row, you are invited to bring comforters and health kits to the front of the worship space.*

### Offertory

\*Hymn           *Praise, I will praise you Lord*           #25

### Pastoral Prayer

Anthem                   *Come to the Table*   Arr. Joseph M Martin

## HEARING FROM GOD'S WORD

Scripture                   Mark 6:30-44  
*(with some editing from Matthew 14:13-21)*

Message                   *A Tale of Two Tables*

### Sharing At Jesus' Table

*After a prayer of blessing, baskets of bread prepared by persons from our 23 districts will be passed. Please take a piece and eat it as a sign of sharing at Jesus' table.*

\*Hymn           *O Christ, your heart compassionate*           #21

### \*Benediction

### Postlude

\*Please stand in body or spirit