

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 21, 2009

10:30 A.M.

## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

**Prelude:** *This Is My Father's World*

*arr. Diane Bish*

**Welcome and Announcements**

*Jay Myers, Ruling Elder / Shepherd*

## CELEBRATING GOD'S GREATNESS

**\*Doxology:** *No. 731 - Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Dr. Carl Ashley, Choral Director*

**\*Ascription of Praise:** *Psalms 145:8-9*

**\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer**

**\*Call to Worship:** *from Revelation 4 and 5*

**Leader & Choir:** *I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven!  
And behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne.*

**Congregation:** **And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain.**

**Leader & Choir:** *And the living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. And they sang a new song, saying ...*

**All: Worthy are You ... for You were slain, and by Your blood You ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.**

**Leader & Choir:** *Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice ...*

**ALL: WORTHY IS THE LAMB WHO WAS SLAIN,  
TO RECEIVE POWER AND WEALTH  
AND WISDOM AND MIGHT  
AND HONOR AND GLORY AND BLESSING!**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** *No. 300 - Blessing and Honor*

*Horatius Bonar*

**\*Profession of Faith:** *No. 845 - The Apostles' Creed*

*2nd century*

**\*Praise to the Triune God:** *No. 735 - Gloria Patri*

*2nd century*

## CONFESSING OUR SINS

**Christ's Summary of the Law:** *Matthew 22:37-40* *Dr. Larry Roff, Associate Pastor*

**Unison Prayer of Confession:** *Adapted from John Calvin's Geneva Liturgy of 1543*

Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: We acknowledge before Your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate Your holy commandments.

But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow asking that Your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of Your son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grant us daily increase of the grace of Your Holy Spirit, and produce in us the fruits of holiness and of righteousness pleasing in Your sight. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Assurance of Pardon:** *1 Timothy 1:15*

**Song of Renewal:** *Change My Heart, O God*

*Eddie Espinosa*

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true;  
Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.  
You are the Potter, I am the clay;  
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.  
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true;  
Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

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## DEDICATING OUR LIVES

**Dedication of Tithes and Offerings**

*Please fill out Blue Cards in pews, and place them in the offering plates.*

**Offertory:** *The Prodigal Son*

*anonymous*

**Prayer for Children's Church**

**Pastoral Prayer** (*Missionary of the Week: Craig and Heather Gabagen*)

**\*Hymn:** *Speak, O Lord*

*Keith Getty and Stuart Townend*

## PREACHING HIS WORD

**Introduction of Pastoral Candidate:** *Pulpit Committee Chairman Ron Backus*

**Scripture:** *Ezekiel 34:11-16; Luke 15:11-32*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon: "LOST"**

*Rev. Omar Ortiz*

*But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. Lk. 15:20*

**Prayer for Divine Blessing**

## GOING FORTH TO SERVE

**\*Hymn:** *No. 460 - Amazing Grace*

*John Newton*

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**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude:** *The Rejoicing*

*Charles Callahan*

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## EVENING WORSHIP – 6:00 pm

**Guest preacher: Rev. Omar Ortiz**  
**Philippians 3:2-11 ... "Losses and Gains"**

We welcome to the pulpit today for both morning and evening services Rev. Victor Omar Ortiz, the pulpit committee's nominee for the position of Senior Pastor here at Lake Osborne Presbyterian Church.

Omar was born into a Christian family in Puerto Rico, which brought him to Miami as a young boy. He is a graduate of Trinity International University and Reformed Theological Seminary. From 2004 -2009 he served as Assistant Pastor at Old Cutler Presbyterian Church in the southern part of Miami.

He and his wife, Kate (who holds a Master of Biblical Studies degree from Reformed Theological Seminary), met and married during their seminary years. They are parents of two young sons: Elisha (3) and Asher (1).

The session has called a congregational meeting for next Sunday after morning worship to vote on the pulpit committee's nomination of Rev. Ortiz.

SERMON NOTES

**“LOST”**

Ezekiel 34:11-16; Luke 15:11-32

The word “prodigal” does not mean “wayward” but, according to *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary*, “reckless spendthrift.” It means to spend until you have nothing left. This term is therefore as appropriate for describing the father in the story as his younger son. The father’s welcome to the repentant son was literally reckless, because he refused to “reckon” or count his sin against him or demand repayment. This response offended the elder son and most likely the local community. . . . Jesus is showing us the God of Great Expenditure, who is nothing if not prodigal toward us, his children. God’s reckless grace is our greatest hope. . .

Tim Keller, *The Prodigal God*, xiv-xv

**1. The Reality of our Lostness**

**2. The Character of our Lostness**

**3. The Rescue from our Lostness**

**Our Missionaries**

**Ramiro and Maria Araujo**, *MTW Hinterland Ministries, South America*

**Rick and Betty Aschmann**, *MTW Ecuador*

**Garry and Anita Chambers**, *Medical Ministries, Belize*

**Dennis Clark**, *Equip, India*

**First Care**, *Pregnancy Counseling*

**Embers to a Flame**, *Church Revitalization*

**Joe and Beverly Fitzpatrick**, *MTW Puerto Rico*

**Craig and Heather Gahagen**, *MTW South America - Air Support*

**Don and Sue Gahagen**, *Hinterland Ministries, MTW South America*

**Alice Hatch**, *Mission to the World, Atlanta*

**David and Marcia Jones**, *MTW Sensitive Regions*

**Tim & Becky McKeown** *Mission to North America, Hispanic Ministries*

**Mike and Robin McMahan**, *MTW Ecuador*

**Jim and Mary Alice Patterson**, *MTW Philippines*

**Clay & Darlene Quarterman**, *MTW Evangelical Reformed Seminary of Ukraine*

**Howard and Dee Shelden**, *MTW/Wycliffe Bible Translators*

**Bob and Joanne Tanzie**, *MTW Spain*

**Jack Wells**, *Network of Christian Ministries*

**MNA Chaplain Ministries**

The Reverend Dr. Larry Roff – Associate Pastor  
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**Lake Worth, Florida**

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*The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

*The LORD is good to all,  
and His mercy is over all that He has made.*

Psalm 145:8-9

**LOVING GOD ... SERVING PEOPLE**

*Celebrating Our Fifty Second Anniversary*