

Beach Service
Breach Inlet, Sullivan's Island, South Carolina
October 19, 2014 9:00 a.m.

Welcome to the Early Service on the beach! Together, may we rejoice and give thanks for God's loving grace in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gathering in God's Presence (Please stand for the opening hymn.)

* **For the Music of Creation** (See bulletin insert)

*Call to Worship God

Neila Cary

Leader: Great God, in Christ you call our name

People: and then receive us as your own,

Leader: not through some merit, right or claim,

People: but by your gracious love alone.

Leader: Great God, in Christ you set us free

People: your life to live, your joy to share.

Leader: Give us your Spirit's liberty

People: to turn from guilt and dull despair

Leader: and offer all that faith can do

People: while love is making all things new. (Verse by Brian Wren)

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Guided Silent Prayer: *Musical Meditation*

Grave

John Alcock

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confessing Our Need for God's Forgiveness

Amazing God, you pour your living Spirit into our lives. We confess that we are too often blind to your presence. You stir us like the unpredictable wind – suggesting astonishing things, yet we persist in ignoring your light and your love. Forgive the lifelessness of our spirits; make us truly receptive to your life-giving Spirit.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Reassurance of God's Forgiveness

Life in the Community

* **For the Beauty of the Earth** (See bulletin insert.)

Scripture: I Corinthians 2:1-5

Message

Are You Passionate?

The Rev. Vance E. Polley

Response to God's Grace: Gifts of Gratitude

(You are invited to bring your offering to God.)

*Song ***We Give You Thanks*** (Sing twice)

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We give you thanks. We give you praise.

For you are kind, you are love, you are God!

We give you thanks.

*Prayer of Dedication, concluding with *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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

* **Spirit** (See bulletin insert.)

*Blessing

*All those who are able, please stand.

Songs & Hymns are from *Sing! A New Creation* and Presbyterian Hymnal (CCLI 1981940)