

Prayer for Illumination

1st Reading 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

Gospel Reading John 6: 51-58

Sermon *Wisdom by Any Name*

***Hymn #339** *Be Thou My Vision*

Offering our Gifts and Tithes

*** Hymn #592** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

* Prayer of Dedication

Offering our Joys and Concerns for Prayer

The Prayer of Jesus

*** Hymn 432** *Canto de Esperanza*

* Charge & Benediction

Source of all Wisdom, by all the names we know you, we ask for your blessing and grace upon us and one another. May we be filled with a joyful heart and a wise and constant spirit. May we be encircled and enlivened by this community of service and love. Grant us open hearts and discerning minds to know you and your will in these and all the days of our lives. Amen.

Postlude

**All that are able please stand*



*We are a Christian community welcoming
all as we seek to grow in faith and serve others.*

Palisades Presbyterian Church

Palisades, New York 10964

August 20, 2006

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship at 10:00 A.M.

Reflection:

“Wonder is the beginning of wisdom.” - Anonymous Greek Proverb

Wisdom: Hebrew: *hokma*

Greek: *sophia*

Prelude

Church Bell

Introit

Call to Worship (Variation on Psalm 110)

Leader: Praise the Lord!

All: We give thanks to the Lord with our whole hearts, in the company of this congregation.

Leader: Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

All: Full of honor and majesty is God's work.

Leader: The beginning of wisdom is in the awe of God's creation.

All: It moves our hearts to warmth and our hands to touch.

Leader: Let us seek and delight in the wisdom and love of our God.

All: Let us raise our voices and hearts in song and praise.

All: Amen.

* Hymn 430 *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

Prayer of Confession (Unison Prayer)

Wonder is indeed the beginning of wisdom.

In such a place of awe, we are silenced by your mystery, your beauty, and your insatiable compassion and love. It is there, in your presence, that we bow our heads praying and asking forgiveness for our shortcomings. With bowed heads we ask for your grace and your blessing.

In the moments of silence that follow, let us put aside all that concerns us and know your healing presence and peace. In the moments of silence that follow, hear the unspoken words in our hearts that call out for your forgiveness.

Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

* Hymn #322

*Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.*

Sharing the Peace