

Litany for Forward in Their Footsteps Sunday, April 13, 2008

L: Why are you here?

P: Because Jesus gave the disciples Good News and they did not keep it to themselves.

L: But why are YOU here?

P: Because someone shared the Good News with me and I have come to worship and give thanks!

L: But why are you HERE?

P: Because the Holy Spirit gave someone a vision to plant a church right here, knowing that someone like me would eventually pass by and be in need of a United Methodist community of faith.

L: Someone who didn't even know you? Wow! Nice gift!

P: Yes!

L: What will you do with such a gift?

P: Pass it on!

L: Then let's begin by praying:

**All: O Lord, I am grateful for those whom I have never met, but who gave of themselves so I could gather with the community of faith along my Christian journey. On this celebration Sunday for our "Forward In Their Footsteps" campaign, I commit myself to passing this on gift so all people will have the opportunity to find a community of faith
where hope is offered,
forgiveness is experienced,
grace abounds
and lives are transformed for the glory of your coming
Kingdom.**

This we pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.