

Morning Worship
October 26, 2008
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Coming Together in Christ

10:55 AM MEDITATION (Please pause in quiet preparation for worship.)

11:00 AM CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE *Andante* G. F. Handel

THE INTROIT *Come Down, O Love Divine* "Down Ampney"

Entering God's Presence

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 90:1-2

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

People: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

* HYMN OF PRAISE #463 *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* "Christ Whose Glory"

THE PRAYER OF APPROACH

SILENCE

AMEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (together)

Lord among us today, there are those who give little of the much which they have—and they give it for recognition and their hidden desire makes their gifts unwholesome. And there are those who have little and give it all. These are the believers in life and the bounty of life, and their coffer is never empty. There are those who give with joy, and that joy is their reward. And there are those who give with pain, and that pain is their baptism. And there are those who give and know not pain in giving, nor do they seek joy, nor do they give thought of receiving honor. They give as a flower gives fragrance into space. Through the hands of such as these God speaks, and from behind their eyes He smiles upon the earth.

Lord, teach me to give and forgive my fear.

—based on "the Prophet" by Kahlil

Gibran

KYRIE ELEISON (Congregation & Choir)

#63, Lift Up Your Hearts

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy upon us. (repeat)**

THE DECLARATION OF PARDON

John Dillon

* THE RESPONSE IN PRAISE

#579, The Hymnal

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be;
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

Hearing God's Word

TIME FOR CHILDREN

WELCOMING OUR NEW MEMBERS(see insert)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIGNS OF NEW LIFE: 200th Anniversary of First Presbyterian Church

* HYMN OF PREPARATION

She Flies On

!#86, Lift Up Your Hearts
Gordon Light

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON:

Hebrews 12:1-12

pew Bible page 212

THE ANTHEM

Prepare Your Hearts

Jacob Handl

Prepare your hearts unto the Lord, and serve him only;
and he will deliver you out of the hand of your enemies.

THE SERMON

Rev. John Dillon

"198 Years x 52 Sundays =10,296 + Evening Services + Special Occasions"

Our Response to God's Love

PLEDGING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY SOLO

Andante

Antonio Vivaldi

RECEIVING THE OFFERING

* THE DOXOLOGY

#592, The Hymnal

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER: (together)

O Lord of us all, you who call us to be stewards of this earth—we present our commitments to you. It is more than pieces of paper saying what we intend to give; it is our covenant-keeping, it is our discipleship, it is our prayer that we gather in these plates. We give you this morning not only our commitments, but we give to you the promise of our time, our prayers, our hours of concern, our special talents, our creativity, our hard work, and our money. We give it all to you now: our commitment alive and wondrous and full of hope. We give it all in a spirit of cheerfulness and joy—give it to you who have gifted us with the bounty of your amazing grace. In the name of one who gave his all and taught us to say...

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

* THE HYMN OF PARTING #442

The Church's One Foundation

"Aurelia"

* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.)

* SUNG BENEDICTION

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Dennis

(Please join hands as we sing the Benediction)

**Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.**

Going Forth in God's Love

* THE POSTLUDE

Aurelia

* Those who wish to do so are invited to stand

This Morning's Worship Leaders

Preacher..... Rev. John Dillon
Liturgist Carolyn Mathews
Signs of New Life Speaker Sue Rudd
Organist..... Judith Brown
Time for Children John Dillon
Acolyte Neil Dillon
Child Care..... Julie Hudson, Janie Schlottmann
Greeters Jean and Stephen Kobert
Coffee Hour Lynn & Chris Fritz (Sharon Squires & Elva Berry on Nov. 2)
Ushers Bob and Sharon Kazary, Katie and Otto Ross

Music Notes

The Anthem this morning is taken from 1 Samuel 7:2-4 and was originally composed by English Renaissance composer Jacob Handl (known as Gallus) who lived from 1550-1591. It is a simple but beautiful motet preparing our hearts for the upcoming Christian Year.

Statement of Purpose

Our Church exists to worship God and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Spirit, we shall serve God's Kingdom by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

Statement of Vision

We embrace open and progressive theology. Through education, training, worship and Session leadership we will realize our vision both individually and in community. We will be open to new ideas and programs while staying true to our beliefs and traditions. We will commit our personal and corporate resources to embody our Statement of Purpose. We will live our lives responsibly with honesty and integrity.

A Service of Welcome

Elder Cunningham: Pastor and Members of the Congregation, the Session has accepted these new members and we are pleased to introduce them to you to be welcomed:

Gary Hartung	Reaffirmation of Faith	08/14/2008
Sandy Fritz	Reaffirmation of Faith	08/14/2008
Becky Niland	Transfer of Membership	10/09/2008
Michael Niland	Transfer of Membership	10/09/2008
Bob Salathe	Transfer of Membership	08/14/2006

Pastor: The God of heaven has made a home on earth. Let us welcome our new sisters and brothers.

Congregation: Welcome. You come in God's name.

New Members: God's Blessing on this place and this congregation.

Congregation: You bring us new insights and energy. You open up to us a wider world. For this we give thanks to God.

New Member: You offer me Christian fellowship and love.

ALL: Together we journey on the road of faith. Together we face the challenges of life. Together we experience the Grace of God. By offering and receiving welcome, we become Christ to one another. Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

Pastor: Friends I now ask you if you will re-affirm your faith. Do you accept Jesus as your Christ and Lord?

New Members: I do.

Pastor: Is it your wish to join us here in this place and share your time and talents, fears and certainties, loan us your strengths and lean on us in your weakness?

New Members: I do.

Pastor: The highest in all creation lives among the least.

ALL: Christ journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Pastor: Come now all who thirst,

ALL: And drink the water of life.

Pastor: Come now all who hunger,

ALL: And be filled with good things.

Pastor: Come now all who seek,

ALL: And be warmed by the fire of love.

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! (repeat)

What's Happening This Week:



SUNDAY, OCTOBER (26)

- 9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 AM Sunday School for All Ages
Adult Sunday School Class in Chapel
- 10:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Coffee Hour in the Library
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Consecration Sunday, Welcome New Members
On the Air WCBC
- 4:30 PM GAFOSAC Meeting
- 5:30 PM "Trick or Trunk" in the Church Parking Lot

MONDAY, OCTOBER (27)

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open
- 9:00 AM Learning Tree Nursery School
- 10:00 AM Monday Morning Book Study

TUESDAY, OCTOBER (28)

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open
- 9:00 AM Learning Tree Nursery School
- 7:00 PM S.O.S. Planning Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER (29)

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open
- 9:00 AM Learning Tree Nursery School
- 6:00 PM Pee Wee Basketball Practice
At Cresaptown Elementary
- 6:15 PM JoyBells Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM Middler & Girls Basketball Practice
At Cresaptown Elementary
- 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, OCTOBER (30)

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open
- 9:00 AM Learning Tree Nursery School

FRIDAY, OCTOBER (31)

- 9:00 AM Church Office Open
- 9:00 AM Learning Tree Nursery School

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER (1)

- 6:30 PM Meet in the Church Parking Lot to go to
Haunted Maze at Brookedale Farms

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER (2)

Daylight Savings Time Ends

- 9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 AM Sunday School for All Ages
Adult Sunday School Class in Chapel
- 10:15 AM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Coffee Hour in the Library
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Communion,
All Saints Recognition, Cents-Ability Boxes Collected, On the Air WCBC
- 4:30 PM GAFOSAC Meeting