



# The First Presbyterian Church

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All members  
of the congregation

## The Celebration of Worship Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 20, 2011

8:45 and 11:00 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.  
Large print hymnals, Bibles and hearing devices, as well as information about child care  
and other church programs are available from any usher.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.  
Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

The asterisks (\*) invite you to stand if it is comfortable for you to do so.

### We Gather

#### TIME FOR PREPARATION

Teach me, O Lord, the way of Your statutes, and I will observe it to the end. Give me understanding,  
that I may keep Your law and observe it with my whole heart. Lead me in the path of Your  
commandments, for I delight in it. Turn my heart to Your decrees, and not to selfish gain. Turn my eyes  
from looking at vanities; give me life in Your ways. Confirm to Your servant Your promise, which is for  
those who fear You. Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for Your ordinances are good. See, I have  
longed for Your precepts; in Your righteousness give me life.

Psalm 119:33-40

VOLUNTARY

If You Will Only Let God Guide You  
Fred Gaul, organist

Georg Neumark

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

## We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 142

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Barbara Hopta

\*RESPONSE

Create in Me a Clean Heart

*from Psalm 51, author unknown*

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,  
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.  
Cast me not a - way from Thy pre - sence, O Lord, and  
take not Thy Ho - ly Spi - rit from me. Re -  
store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion  
and re - new a right spi - rit with - in me.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Barbara Hopta

Leader: When we are tempted to run from trouble rather than face consequences,

All: Bring us back, Lord, we pray, and give us strength to stand in truth.

Leader: When we go to bed angry rather seeking and asking forgiveness,

All: Give us the words and actions we need to restore peace.

Leader: When our doubt overcomes us and our trust is eroded,

All: Give us pause to seek Your presence and find comfort in Your loving arms.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so you may greet each other by name.

Visitors are invited to wear the button found in the friendship pad.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

Barbara Hopta

\*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

\*HYMN

Psalm 23

Stuart Townend

The Lord's my Shep-herd, I'll not want. He makes me lie in pas-tures  
He guides my ways in right-eous-ness, and He a-noints my head with  
And though I walk the dark-est path. I will not fear the e-vil  
green. He leads me by the still, still wa-ters. His good-ness re-stores my  
oil. And my cup, it o-ver-flows with joy. I feast on His pure de-  
one, For You are with me, and Your rod and staff are the com-fort I need to  
soul. And I will trust in You a-lone, and I will trust in You a-  
lights.  
know.  
lone. For Your end-less mer-cy fol-lows me. Your goodness will lead me home.

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We Declare our Faith

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Jim Roberts

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN 579

*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.*

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jim Roberts

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.

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

Reverie

David Paxton

\*Doxology

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Jim Roberts

Lord Jesus, Living Word, You gave Your all for all. Now, may we give our all for the ministry of Your church. Bless our offerings so that others may get a glimpse of Your kingdom by our witness to Your love and grace. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

ANTHEM (11:00)

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. Roland E. Martin

*Come, thou fount of every blessing. Tune my heart to sing Thy grace! Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.*

*Here I find my greatest treasure; hither by Thy help I've come, and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering from the fold of God. He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.*

*O, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it. Seal it for Thy courts above.*

The Geneva Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8:18-25, Pew Bible, NT, p. 158

Bill McCoy

SERMON

To the Better End

Bill McCoy

\*CONCLUDING HYMN 281

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

\*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION

Bill McCoy

\*HYMN OF PARTING

HYMN 540

*God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.*

\*VOLUNTARY

Chaconne  
Fred Gaul, organist

Gordon Young

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Reminder: please return your hearing devices at the end of the service this morning.

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: *Restrooms and water fountains* are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel - please  
: accompany children.

: *Childcare.* Nursery and Rooms 113 and 114

: *Elder Visitation:* Aaron Alexander, Ruffner Alexander, Scott Case, Tish Chafin

: *The Flowers in the Sanctuary* this Sunday remind us that a contribution has been given to the Hunger

: Fund for the glory of God and in loving memory of Jean B. Chenoweth, John Chenoweth and Virginia

: Chenoweth Field by Mrs. Jean (Marian) Chenoweth and family.

: *Greeters today are:* Sharon Heidt, Marty Martin, Sarah and Mac McGriff

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: PLEASE DROP THIS BULLETIN IN THE RECYCLING BOX AS YOU EXIT. THANK YOU!  
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