

# The First Presbyterian Church

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## The Celebration of Worship World Communion Sunday

October 2, 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

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

— From Exodus 20

VOLUNTARY

Prelude on "Slane"  
Fred Gaul, organist

*Christopher Tambling*

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

## We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP		Jim Roberts
*HYMN OF PRAISE 507	I Come with Joy	DOVE OF PEACE
*PRAYER OF ADORATION		Barbara Hopta
PRAYER OF CONFESSION		Barbara Hopta

Leader: Holy and uncontainable God,  
All: For trying to contain You, forgive us.

Leader: Loving and limitless God,  
All: For trying to limit You, forgive us.

Leader: Gracious and boundless God,  
All: For trying to bind You, forgive us.

Leader: For times we are foolish enough to believe that it is to our advantage  
to reduce You to something we can comprehend,  
All: Forgive us, Almighty God.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP	Jim Roberts
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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.

\*PASSING THE PEACE

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

*HYMN 307	Fight the Good Fight	DUKE STREET
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## We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	The Apostles' Creed	Barbara Hopta
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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
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*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

### OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

Les Berceaux

Gabriel Fauré

\*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, grant us a vision of what commitment can mean, as we respond with a generous offering, a sign of our commitment to Christ's ministries through this His church. Amen.

## The Word is Proclaimed

### SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 11:15-19, Pew Bible, NT, p. 252

Jim Roberts

### SERMON

Apocalypse Now

Jim Roberts

### PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Come Just As You Are

Joseph Sabolick

Come just as you are. Hear the Spi - rit call. \_\_\_\_\_

Come just as you are. Come and see, come re-ceive, come and live \_\_\_\_\_ for - ev - er!

Life ev - er - last - ing, and strength for to - day, \_\_\_\_\_

Taste \_\_\_\_\_ the Liv - ing Wa - ter \_\_\_\_\_ and nev - er thirst a - gain.

Come just as you are. Hear the Spir - it call. \_\_\_\_\_

Come just as you are. Come and see, come re-ceive, come and live \_\_\_\_\_ for - ev - er!

Come and see, come re-ceive, come and live \_\_\_\_\_ for - ev - er - more.

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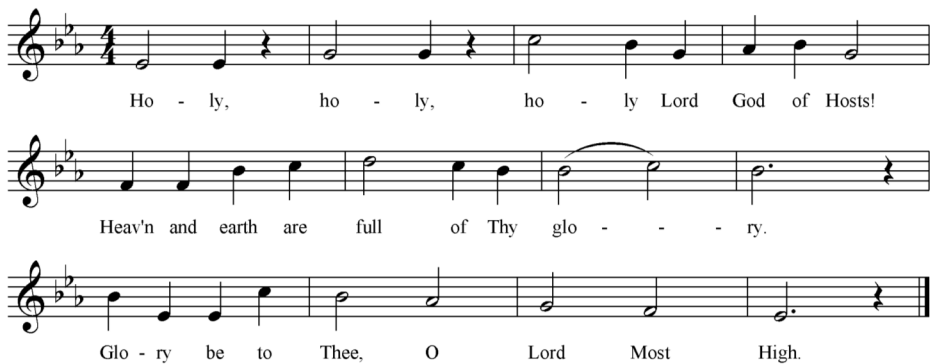
### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Salutation: The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

Sursum Corda: Lift up your hearts.  
We lift them up to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.  
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Sanctus:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Hosts!  
 Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - - - ry.  
 Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord Most High.

Eucharistic Prayer 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.

Distribution of the Elements (Gluten-free wafers are located in the center of each bread plate.)

Anthem for Communion Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises South African trad.  
 (See note below)

*Hallelujah! We sing Your praises. All our hearts are filled with gladness.  
 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hunger.  
 Now He sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel!*

The Geneva Choir

\*CONCLUDING HYMN 514 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ Linstead

\*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION Jim Roberts

\*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 The Head That Once Was Crowned With Thorns Charles Callahan  
 Fred Gaul, organist

"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

This morning's anthem, "Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona", comes to us from the Sotho language of South Africa through a Swedish translation. Especially appropriate for World Communion Sunday, it takes us from the Lord's Table out into the world. "Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises" is under consideration for inclusion in our new Presbyterian hymnal.

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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:* Jim Thomas, Rick Vorhees, Brett Webster, Cindy Wilson

• *The Flowers in the Sanctuary* this Sunday remind us that Patty Fazio has given a contribution to the Hunger Fund for the glory of God and in loving memory of her mother, Nell Fazio.

• *Greeters today are:* Marsha and Bill Bone, Jim Hartman, Naomi Krieg

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

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