



# The First Presbyterian Church

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## The Celebration of Worship Reformation Sunday Consecration Sunday

October 25, 2009

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

Of David, when he feigned madness before Abimelech, so that he drove him out, and he went away. I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.

I sought the Lord, and He answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look to Him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him, and delivers them. O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in Him.

Psalm 34:1-8

VOLUNTARY

Prelude on "Nettleton"  
Fred Gaul, organist

arr. Peter Pindar Stearns

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

\*PROCESSIONAL

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee  
Mark Burdette, bagpiper; Paul Howard, drummer

HYMN TO JOY

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN' FESTE BURG

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Claire Butler

\*RESPONSE

Thy Word

Grant and Smith

Thy Word is a lamp un-to— my feet and a light un-to my path.

Thy Word is a lamp un-to— my feet and a light un-to my path.

When I feel a fraid, and I think I've lost my way, still You're there right be - side— me.

Noth ing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. \_\_\_\_\_

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Barbara Hopta

Loving God, we say we love You, but often we ignore You. We allow our jobs, school work, and family responsibilities to take up so much time that we have none left for church, or even for prayer. We say we want to be like Jesus, but we also want to be the most popular, the best dressed, the most outstanding. Somehow, we let You get crowded out. Forgive us for our weak love. Help us to make time for Your work and worship. Remind us of Your rules when we are making everyday decisions. We pray in the name of Jesus, who loves us.

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.

\*INTERLUDE

Highland Cathedral  
Mark Burdette, bagpiper; Paul Howard, trumpeter

*Roever and Korb*

\*HYMN 280

Amazing Grace  
Mark Burdette, bagpiper; Paul Howard, trumpeter

AMAZING GRACE

We Declare our Faith

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Claire Butler

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

Prelude on "Slane"

*arr. Gordon Young*

\*Doxology

*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

Jim Roberts

God of goodness, You lavish Your gifts on us. You have given us health; we dedicate our vigor to following Christ. You have given us strength; we offer our energy to serve neighbors in need. You have given us Your instruction for faithful living; we commit a right portion of our wealth as signs of our faithfulness to You. May our offerings and our pledges be pleasing to You as we ask Your blessings upon them, in Christ's name. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

ANTHEM (11:00)

The Church's One Foundation

S. Stone, S. Wesley, arr. Schalk

*The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord, She is His new creation by water and the Word.  
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride. With His own blood He bought her and for her life He died.*

*Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth; Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.*

*The Church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend, to guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end:  
Though there be those who hate her, and false sons in her pale, against both foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.*

*Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed:  
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.*

*'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
Till, with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.*

The Geneva Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

I John 4:13-21, Pew Bible, NT, p. 241

Bill McCoy

SERMON

First Love

Bill McCoy

\*CONCLUDING HYMN 262

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand  
Paul Howard, trumpeter

NATIONAL HYMN

\*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION

Bill McCoy

\*RECESSIONAL

Battle of the Somme/The Heights of Dargai  
Mark Burdette, bagpiper; Paul Howard, drummer

J. Wallace/trad.

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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; Barbara Wessels, Rob & Bekki St. Jean, Helen Liu, Bryson •  
• McCain, Candy Strader, Kelly Uldrich and Terry Potesta •  
• *Elder Visitation:* Larry Kerr, Pam Kuyk, Kay Lamb, Jim McCain •  
• *The Flowers in the Sanctuary* today remind us that Hester Covert, Anna Johnson and Elizabeth and •  
• Andrew Johnson have given a contribution to the hunger fund for the glory of God and in loving memory of •  
• Charles M. Johnson, and Earl and Barbara Brown have given a contribution to the hunger fund for the glory •  
• of God and in loving memory of their daughter, Laura Thomason. •  
• *Greeters today are:* Jill Johnson, Sara and Fred Joseph, Naomi Krieg •

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