



# The First Presbyterian Church

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## The Celebration of Worship World Communion Sunday

October 4, 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 for younger children and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances,  
and children's Bibles are available in the pews.

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

### We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

Bill McCoy

O Lord, I love the house in which You dwell, and the place where Your glory abides. Do not sweep me  
away with sinners, nor my life with the bloodthirsty, those in whose hands are evil devices, and whose  
right hands are full of bribes. But as for me, I walk in my integrity; redeem me, and be gracious to me.  
My foot stands on level ground; in the great congregation I will bless the Lord.

Psalm 26:8-12

VOLUNTARY

Benedictus on "Sicilian Mariners"  
Fred Gaul, organist

*arr. Gordon Young*

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Presby Thespies

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 439

In Christ There Is No East or West

ST. PETER

(Children will bring forward the communion elements at 11:00.)

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Barbara Hopta

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Barbara Hopta

Leader: For forgetting to say "I'm sorry" or "thank you" to a child or an adult,

People: Forgive us Lord.

Leader: For speaking critical words in anger that cause hurt rather than help,

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Leader: For working too much, neglecting time for Sabbath rest of body and soul,

People: Forgive us, Lord.

Leader: For looking elsewhere for the blessing You plant deep within us,

People: Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be better disciples.

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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Sue Webster

\*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

\*HYMN 510

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

QUEBEC

We Declare our Faith

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Sue Webster

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

### OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

Prelude on "Morning Has Broken"

arr. James Southbridge

\*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

Sue Webster

Gracious and loving God, You have given us so much, especially the gift of reconciliation through Your Son Jesus Christ. You, the God of peace, have promised that You will always be with us. Now in gratitude, we bring our tithes and offerings to You. We ask Your blessing on these gifts and on our lives so that Your peace and justice may be furthered in Your world. Amen.

### The Word is Proclaimed

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 40:25-26, Pew Bible, OT p. 668

Bill McCoy

SERMON

A Well-Fed Imagination

Bill McCoy

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Come Just As You Are  
(See insert)

Joseph Sabolick

### 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.

