

5th Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2003

Gathering around God's Word

PRELUDE: "A Joyful Festival Prelude"..... Ovid Young
(Christy Floyd, Organist/Pianist)

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 34:3; 95:1) Ed Lewis

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;

let us exalt the name of the Lord together.

Come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"..... No. 501

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION..... Margaret Marks

Mighty and merciful God,

you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ.

We confess that we have not lived up to our calling.

We have been timid and frightened disciples,

forgetful of your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us.

O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways.

**As you have chosen us, and claimed us in our baptisms,
strengthen us anew to choose Christ's way in this world.**

Give us your Holy Spirit that each one in ministry

may be provided with all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our common calling;

through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE: "On Eagle's Wings" (Refrain)..... No. 438

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

Proclaiming God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 133 (pew Bible, page 550)

ANTHEM: (8:30 a.m.) "Let's All Go Down to the River"..... Sue Richards
(Gideon's Torch)

(11:00 a.m.) "How Lovely Are the Messengers"..... Felix Mendelssohn

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16 (pew Bible, page 182)

SERMON: "Equipping Saints for Ministry" Marvin Simmers

Responding to God's Word

*HYMN: "Be Thou My Vision"..... No. 502

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: (8:30 a.m.) "Let Freedom Ring" Bill and Gloria Gaither
(Gideon's Torch)

(11:00 a.m.) "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Janet Linker
(Exaltation Ringers with Organ)

*DOXOLOGY: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (8:30 a.m.) Melanie Burton; (11:00 a.m.) Brian Weyer

Service of Ordination and Installation

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION..... Ed Lewis

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND LAYING ON OF HANDS..... Rick Spielman

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND WELCOME

CHARGE TO THE NEWLY ORDAINED..... Eddie Nelson

CHARGE TO DAVIS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER AND COMMUNITY Richard Boyd

*HYMN: "Here I Am, Lord" No. 559

Bearing God's Word into the World

*BENEDICTION..... Delores Spielman

*RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Come, Celebrate the Call of God" (Tune: ELLACOMBE).... No. 584

POSTLUDE: "Post Trumpet Tune with Echoes" John Stanley

Cassette tapes of the service are available at the sound console located at the rear of the sanctuary.

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church on this Lord's Day. If you need a church home, we invite you to unite with our congregation. Please indicate your interest on the Friendship Pad.

The flowers in the sanctuary today have been provided by Davis Regional Medical Center in recognition of Delores M. Spielman on the occasion of her ordination to the ministry.

A reception in honor of our graduates and Delores Spielman will be held in Turlington Court and the fellowship hall immediately after the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

Graduates: Congratulations and prayerful best wishes are extended to our graduates. Please notify the church office of additions and/or corrections.

Mooreville Senior High School: Katie Archer, Holly Brawley, Tray Brawley, Jessica Buchanan, Anna Byers, Tim Irwin, Megan Kenyon, Jenna Layton, Traci Pearce, Sara Shumaker, Courtney Thompson, Ben Vaughan, Charlie Walters, Jamie Weyer

Lake Norman High School: Ashley Leslie, Trey Wright

Science Hill High School: Amanda Heilman

Texas Military Institute: Patrick Brawley

Campbell University Law School: Patrick Stutts

Mitchell Community College: Darrin Bridges

University of South Carolina: Richard Skaff (Graduate School)

Saints Alive Luncheon: Saints Alive will meet for its monthly luncheon this Tuesday, May 20, at 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall (\$3). Following lunch and devotions, the program will be presented by the Rev. Jeff Lowrance, pastor at Hopewell Presbyterian Church. Rev. Lowrance will lead a program on Scottish heritage, with special emphasis on researching family tartans. Saints Alive will not meet for a monthly luncheon in June, July, or August.

Our Concert Series will conclude the 2002-03 season with a concert by *Testify*, a community youth choir, in our sanctuary this evening at 7:00 p.m. Ashlin Streetman, Kenley Streetman and Jared Parnell from our congregation sing in the choir, which is under the direction of Susan O'Keefe, our former music director. Admission is free, but an offering will be taken to help with the choir's expenses. Following the concert there will be a dessert social in the fellowship hall

Gatling Center: There will be a training session for volunteers this Saturday, May 24, at 8:00 a.m. at Central Jail. For more information call Thermond Thompson or Rick Omohundro.

Calendar and Announcements

- Sunday: 9:30 a.m. - Christian Education Committee in the Session Room
2:30 p.m. - Discover Camp Grier Day at Camp Grier in Old Fort, NC
5:30 p.m. - PYF
- Personnel Committee in Room 300
7:00 p.m. - *Testify* concert and dessert reception
- Monday: 7:00 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 166
- Small Group "Breaking Free" with Liz Price
7:30 p.m. - Bible Study with Fred and Jean Coates
- Tuesday: 12:30 p.m. - Saints Alive luncheon
5:00 p.m. - Brownie Troop 591
5:30 p.m. - PYF Supper Club at Salserita's
6:00 p.m. - Blessed in Christ Circle (No. 3) at Kudzu
6:15 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers
7:00 p.m. - Cub Scout Pack 166
7:30 p.m. - Circle No. 5 at the home of Sandra Harris
- Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. - Weekday Preschool graduation
7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir
- Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - Through the Bible Study
6:30 p.m. - Girl Scout Troop 619
- Friday: 7:00 p.m. - Small Group "Exploring Our Reformed Faith" at the Smith Kirk home
- Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - Promise Keepers in the Library
- General Assembly convenes, Denver, CO

Ordination of Delores Swain Spielman: Delores served our church as Director of Christian Education from 1987-94 and as an Elder since 1995. She has served Davis Regional Medical Center as chaplain since 1994. She completed studies at San Francisco Theological Seminary and has fulfilled all requirements for ordination. Salem Presbytery at its meeting on April 29, 2003, at St. Paul Presbyterian Church of Greensboro appointed a commission to ordain her as a Minister of the Word and Sacrament at our church today. Members of Salem Presbytery's Administrative Commission are:

Richard Boyd Elder at First Presbyterian Church, Statesville. Retired OB-GYN physician at Davis Regional Medical Center, Statesville, and currently a member of the Board of Trustees.

Ed Lewis Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Mooresville

Margaret Marks Elder at Calvary Presbyterian Church of Statesville

Eddie Nelson Elder at First Presbyterian Church, Mooresville

Marvin Simmers Minister member of Greater Atlanta Presbytery, and parish associate at Hillside Presbyterian Church of Decatur, GA. Retired curriculum editor on the staff of the General Assembly, and currently editor of our denomination's older adult newsletter, AGenda. Delores' former pastor in Lynchburg, VA, who baptized Erin and Matt, Delores and Rick's children.

Rick Spielman Minister member of Salem Presbytery, and supply pastor at Cleveland Presbyterian Church, Cleveland, NC. Teacher at Mooresville Middle School. Husband of Delores.

"Experiencing God" Bible Study: A twelve week Bible study, "Experiencing God," will begin on Tuesday, June 3, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the church library. Please contact Diane Harrington at 704-664-6510 if you are interested in attending this study.



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