

August 1, 2004

Gathering around God’s Word

PRELUDE: “Christ Is the World’s Light” Paris Antiphoner, 1681
(Christy Floyd, Organist/Pianist)

WELCOME AND SERVICE OF FRIENDSHIP Fred Coates

GATHERING SONGS

“We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations” No. 562

“God Is Working His Purpose Out” (verses 1 and 3)No. 564

*“I Love to Tell the Story” No. 560

***OPENING PRAYER**

Glorify to you, Mighty God. We praise you for your word that made the heavens and your breath that gives life to all creatures. We are in awe that when you speak, O God, it is so; at your command it happens. Let all the earth tremble before you, great God, and all of us be filled with wonder. Everyone give glory to God who alone is God. Amen.

Proclaiming God’s Word

CHILDREN’S SERMON

*HYMN: “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” (verses 1, 2 & 5)..... No. 592

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 28:16-20 (pages 32, pew Bible)
(8:30 a.m.)Ellen Hinson ; (11:00 a.m.) Opal Westmoreland

SERMON: *Alphabet Soup for the Soul: A Second Helping*

9. “The **M** Word” Tom Miller

Responding to God’s Word

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles’ Creed**

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.

Recognition of Christian Education Programs and Leaders

RECOGNITION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION LEADERS Ellen Auten

LITANY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION Beverly Chappell

*HYMN: “We Thank You God for Teachers” Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 for ever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: (8:30 a.m.) “Here I Am, Lord” Daniel Schutte
(Debbie Church, soloist)

(11:00 a.m.) “Go Forth into the World in Peace” John Rutter

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage. Hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.

(Chancel Choir)

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION.....(8:30 a.m.) Michael Culbreth; (11:00 a.m.) Leeann Decastro

Bearing God’s Word into the World

***BENEDICTION**

*RESPONSE: “Seek Ye First”No. 349

POSTLUDE: “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” Leland Sateren

Recordings of the 11:00 a.m. service are available at the sound console located at the rear of the sanctuary.

Calendar and Announcements

Sunday: 12:15 p.m. - Youth Council meeting
6:30 p.m. - Nominating Committee

Monday: 7:00 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 166

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. - CIA
5:30 p.m. - PYF Supper Club at CiCi’s Pizza

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - Through the Bible small group with Peggy Rogers

Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - Promise Keepers in the Library
8:30 a.m. - Weekday Preschool playground workday
2:00 p.m. Friends & Family Lake Party & Picnic

Visitors: Welcome to First Presbyterian 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.

PYF Supper Club begins again this Tuesday with a visit to CiCi’s Pizza. Bring money to eat and a smile for your face. All youth in grades 7-12 are invited to join in this weekly opportunity for fellowship.

PYF Trip to Emerald Pointe: Next Sunday, August 8, the youth will leave at 9:00 a.m. to travel to the Emerald Point water park in Greensboro. The cost of the trip will be \$20 each, plus money for food. They will return around 8:00 p.m.

Congregational Meeting: The Session has called a congregational meeting to follow the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, August 8, to concur with the pastor, S. Edwin Lewis, in asking Salem Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relationship between him and the First Presbyterian Church of Mooresville, NC, on October 3, 2004, so that he may be retired.

Birth: Congratulations are extended Misty and Brent Vergakis, 7042 Blakeney Greens Boulevard, Charlotte, NC 28277, into whose home was born a daughter, Katelyn Jane Vergakis, on July 28.

Christian sympathy is expressed to John Mark and Ben Hastings in the death of their father, Mark Hastings, on July 27.

Church School Promotion Sunday: All church school classes are encouraged to attend special Promotion Sunday activities this morning at 9:45 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Activities include introduction of church school teachers, presentation of Bibles to second graders, and singing. Light refreshments will be served.

Logos/Middle School Ministry (MSM): This year marks the beginning of the 26th year of our congregation's participation in the Logos/MSM program. Our Logos/MSM program is a mid-week (Wednesdays, 4:00-7:15 p.m.) program for youth in first through eighth grades, and consists of Bible study, worship skills, recreation, and dinner. Logos is open to children in first through sixth grades, while MSM is for seventh and eighth graders. The primary goal of the Logos/MSM program is to develop genuine and lasting relationships between young people and Jesus Christ, between young people and their ministers, parents and other adults in the congregation, as well as their peers. Parents may register their children for the program in the church parlor today and next Sunday, after the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services. Required parent meetings will take place on Sunday, August 8, at 6:00 p.m. or on Wednesday, August 11, at 7:00 p.m. The registration deadline is Wednesday, August 11. The fee for participation includes a \$25 registration fee and a \$40 per semester tuition fee. Scholarship help is available upon request. Please contact Christina McElroy (704-664-4369), Jennifer Boger (704-660-0715) or Ellen Auten (704-664-5275) to request scholarship assistance, or with any questions about the program. The 2004-2005 Logos/MSM year begins Wednesday, August 25, at 4:00 p.m.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of all Christian Education workers by the Christian Education committee.

Deacon's Workday: The Deacons would appreciate help with their scheduled workday next Saturday, August 7, at 8:00 a.m. They will be working in the Weekday Preschool playground area in the backyard of the Manse.

The congregation is invited to the Service of Organization for The Presbyterian Church of the Springs in Barium Springs on Sunday, August 8, at 2:00 p.m.

You're invited: Mitchell Community College and the Barium Springs Home for Children invite you to view a special documentary film entitled, "Homecoming: the Forgotten World of America's Orphanages," on Thursday, August 5, at 7:00 p.m. in Shearer Hall on the college campus at 500 West Broad Street in Statesville. Several alumni of Barium Springs Home for Children will be on hand to share reminiscences and a reception will follow in the Alumni Lobby.



CHURCH STAFF

Ministers: **All the members of the congregation**

Pastors: **Ed Lewis and Fred Coates** Parish Associate: **Tom Miller**

Director of Music: **Alan Sledge**

Organist: **Christy Floyd**

Director of Christian Education: **Ellen Auten**

Interim Secretary: **Christine Davidson**

Preschool Director: **Nancy Kortright**

Custodian: **Billy Black**

Treasurer: **LuAnne Sledge**

Hostess: **Jennifer Jordan**

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