

October 12, 2003

Gathering around God's Word

PRELUDE: "Präludien V" Hermann Schroeder
(Christy Floyd, Organist/Pianist)

WELCOME AND SERVICE OF FRIENDSHIP Fred Coates

PRESENTATION OF EAGLE SCOUT AWARD TO ALEX AHEARN

*HYMN OF PRAISE: "Come Christians, Join to Sing"No. 87

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God within us and God outside us, we bring before You the power of sin that creeps into our everyday possessions. Whether we wear clothes made by sweatshop labor, drink coffee picked by underpaid hands or use products that deplete our earth's resources, we acknowledge the injustice created by choices we take for granted. Although accustomed to ways that mean plenty for some and scarcity for others, we long for new patterns that create abundant life for all. Remembering our connection in Christ to all of our brothers and sisters, and to the world You created to show us Your blessings, help us to work for a world in which only Your justice reigns. Empty our hands, O God, that they might be Yours to fill. Turn our hearts from material desires, to embrace new lives as Your beloved children, loving You by loving all, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE: "Give Thanks" No. 359

Proclaiming God's Word

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 (page 809, pew Bible)
(8:30 a.m.) Andy Jordan; (11:00 a.m.) Cathy Irwin

*HYMN: "All Things Are Yours!" No. 687

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Mark 10:17-31 (page 43, pew Bible)

SERMON: "Just One Thing Lacking" Fred Coates

Responding to God's Word

*HYMN: "Take My Life and Let It Be" No. 466

*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.

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

ANTHEM: (11:00 a.m.) "They Shall Soar Like Eagles"..... Laura Manzo
(Chancel Choir)

They shall soar like eagles; rise up and soar like eagles. They who wait upon the Lord shall not be weary. They shall never stumble, but gain new strength and power. They who wait upon the Lord. Those who are weary and burdened with sorrow need not despair there is hope for tomorrow. God will be there each time you call on Him. They shall soar like eagles; rise up and soar like eagles. They who wait upon the Lord shall not be weary. They shall never stumble. They shall gain new strength and power. They who wait upon the Lord...

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION.....(8:30 a.m.) Adam McElroy; (11:00 a.m.) Christina McElroy

Bearing God's Word into the World

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Go Forth in Faith" Franklin Ritter
Recordings of the 11:00 a.m. service are available at the sound console located at the rear of the sanctuary.

Calendar and Announcements

- Today: 3:00 p.m. - Handmaidens of the Lord (Circle No. 6)
- 5:13 p.m. - PYF SALTeens
- 6:30 p.m. - Personnel Committee in the Library
- Weekday Preschool Committee in Room 308
- 7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee in Room 313
- Commitment Committee in Room 300
- 7:30 p.m. - Finance Committee in the Session Room
- Witness and Service Committee in Room 315

- Monday: 3:00 p.m. - Circle No. 1 in the Parlor
- 6:15 p.m. - Blessed in Christ Circle (No. 3) in the Session Room
- 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: 10:00 a.m. - Circle of Faith (No. 4) in the Parlor
- 5:30 p.m. - PYF Supper Club at What-A-Burger
- 6:15 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers
- 6:30 p.m. - Girl Scout Troop 619 in Room 313

- Wednesday: 4:00 p.m. - Logos/Middle School Ministry
- 7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

- Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - Through the Bible Study at the home of Peggy Rogers
- 5:30 p.m. - Girl Scout Junior Troop 939 in Room 313
- 7:00 p.m. - Sisters-in-Christ Circle (No. 2) in the Parlor

- Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - Promise Keepers in the Library

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.

Presbyterian Men invite the men and women of the congregation to their monthly breakfast meeting this morning at 8:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Wendy Wilson's program is entitled "Healing With the Right Salt."

The annual meeting of the congregation for the purpose of electing elders and deacons will begin following the worship services this morning. Only nominations—both from the Nominating Committee and from the floor—will be received today. Permission must first be obtained from persons nominated from the floor. Voting will begin next Sunday, October 19, at the congregational meeting following both worship services, and will continue each Sunday until seven elders and seven deacons are elected to the Class of 2006. The Nominating Committee will place in nomination the names below. Information about the nominees, including pictures, is located on the ledge at the rear of the sanctuary.

ELDERS

Mark Auten
Allen Brawley
Richard "Dick" Fortanbary
Chong Lieu
Christina McElroy
Gary Roach
Johnny Stutts
Eleanor Templeton
Paul Trimble
Gene Vaughan

DEACONS

Ben Beaver
Carole Crews
Dave Culler
Jill Herring
Joe London
Valerie Mauney
Randy Oliphant
Scott Ray
Bruce Telford
Harry Weyer

New Member: Last Sundy Mr. Thomas D. Marshall (Tom, P. O. 4325, Mooresville, NC 28117, was received by reaffirmation of faith and transfer from Sardis Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, NC. We welcome him to the worship, work and fellowship of our church family.

Parish Associate: The Session has called the Rev. Dr. E. Thomas Miller to serve our church as parish associate for evangelism and church growth for six months, beginning October 15. A graduate of Davidson College, Union Seminary in Virginia and Boston University, Tom has served as a campus pastor, director of programming at Montreat Conference Center, as an installed and interim pastor. He is a member of Salem Presbytery. He and his wife Yvonne are officially retired and live at 143 Picwyck Drive, Mooresville, NC 28115; telephone 704-799-1412, they have two married children and two grandchildren. We welcome Tom to the new position on our church staff, and we pledge him our prayerful support.

Name Tags: The name tags recently ordered have arrived and are available for you to pick up today from the table at the rear of the sanctuary.

Please join us for lemonade and fellowship on the lawn immediately following worship.

A prayer chain, for which several of you volunteered, is now organized and operational. If you have prayer requests and/or if you want to be included on the chain as one who prays, please call Sondra Pettus at 704-896-7963 or the church office at 704-664-5275. Appreciation is expressed to Sondra Pettus for organizing and coordinating a church's prayer chain.

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