

Order of Divine Worship  
Reformation Sunday  
31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**October 31, 2004**

*Gathering around God's Word*

PRELUDE: "Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing!" ..... arr. Alice Parker  
(Christy Floyd)

WELCOME AND SERVICE OF FRIENDSHIP ..... Fred Coates

MINUTE FOR MISSION ..... Bruce Telford

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 32:1-2, 6-7)

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,  
**whose sin is covered.**

Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,  
**and in whose spirit there is no deceit**

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to You;

**at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them**

You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble;

**You surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

\*HYMN: "For All the Saints" ..... No. 529

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of tender care and thunderous power, we seek Your guidance and forgiveness, for we have molded our image of You to fit our needs and we have forgotten how to be awed into humility. We have been demanding of Your care for our individual hurts. We have failed to see Your wounded hands reaching toward those with greater need. We have been quick to call for Your fiery judgment on those who are different, those whom we label bad or evil. We have forgotten that we too tremble in Your presence and squirm under Your intense gaze. We have sought privileged places and failed to see the wonder of the present moment and the gathered community. God of tender care, let us know we are part of, but not the center of, Your wide embrace. God of thunderous power, restore our wide-opened awe and our humble stance, for You are working for good, in ways beyond our seeing, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear again and believe the good news of the gospel:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\*RESPONSE: "Kyrie Eleison" ..... Guarani Kyrie

Kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison.

**O Lord, have mercy, O Lord have mercy, O Lord have mercy, have mercy on us.**

Christe eleison, christe eleison, christe eleison, christe eleison.

**O Christ, have mercy, O Christ have mercy, O Christ have mercy, have mercy on us.**

*Proclaiming God's Word*

CHILDREN'S SERMON (11:00 a.m.)

ANTHEM: "Fortress Medley" (11:00 a.m.) ..... arr. John Wilson  
(Chancel Choir)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12 (pew Bible, page 193) . (8:30 a.m.) Allen Brawley

(11:00 a.m.) Scott Vaughn

SERMON: "Walking Worthy" ..... Fred Coates

*Responding to God's Word*

\*HYMN: "God of Our Life" ..... No. 409

\*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

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: "Festive Variations" (8:30 a.m.) ..... Michael Helman  
(Middle School Handbells)

"Be Thou My Vision" (11:00 a.m.) ..... arr. Katherine Larson  
(Exaltation Ringers)

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION ..... (8:30 a.m.) Angie Toma  
(11:00 a.m.) Heather Bickett

*The Sealing of God's Word*

\*INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING 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.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION HYMN: "Let Us Break Bread Together" ..... No. 699

*Bearing God's Word into the World*

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE: "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" ..... No. 748

POSTLUDE: "In Thee Is Gladness, Amidst the Sadness" ..... J. S. Bach

*Recordings of the service are available at the sound console located at the rear of the sanctuary.*

**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.

**The flowers** in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in memory of John and Rachel Allred by their family.

### *Calendar and Announcements*

- Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - Worship Celebration  
9:45 a.m. - Church School for all ages  
11:00 a.m. - Worship Celebration  
6:00 p.m. - All Saint's Eve Fall Festival
- Monday: 7:00 p.m. - Purpose Driven Life Bible Study at the home of Liz Price  
7:30 p.m. - Bible Study with Fred and Jean Coates
- Tuesday: 6:00 a.m. - Polls open, VOTE!  
5:30 p.m. - PYF Supper Club at Lancaster's BBQ  
6:15 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers  
7:30 p.m. - Senior High handbells
- Wednesday: 4:00 p.m. - Logos/MSM *Nascar Night*  
7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir
- Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - Through the Bible with Peggy and Harding Rogers  
5:30 p.m. - Girl Scout Troop 591  
6:30 p.m. - Fun & Fellowship at Fat Boys  
7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women's Council at the home of Debbie Church
- Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - Promise Keepers

**Election of Officers:** At the congregational meeting held the last two Sundays, the following persons were elected: **Elders, Class of 2007:** Bill Harris, Lynelle Owens, Millie Amon, Rick Omohundro, Brent Curtis, Alan Sledge, Paul Trimble. **Elder, Class of 2005:** Bill Lackey. **Deacons, Class of 2007:** Will McIntyre, Mike Toma, Scott McElroy, Jen McNeely, Becky Rader, Bob Campbell, Mark Garland.

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

**Men's Breakfast:** The speaker for the November men's breakfast on Sunday, November 14 at 8:30 a.m., is Leigh Gill, an NCDMV licensed instructor in Defensive Driving, high speed emergency maneuvers, and off-road return techniques. Bring your sons and daughters for a timely and informative program. Please call the church office (704-664-5275) to make reservations, since we expect a large crowd.

#### **CHURCH STAFF**

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

**Associate Pastor:** Fred Coates

**Pastor Emeritus:** S. Edwin Lewis

**Director of Christian Education:** Ellen Auten

**Secretary:** Nellie Goodman

**Director of Music:** Alan Sledge

**Organist:** Christy Floyd

**Preschool Director:** Nancy Kortright

**Custodian:** Billy Black

**Treasurer:** LuAnne Sledge

**Hostess:** Jennifer Jordan



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249 West McLelland Avenue  
Mooresville, North Carolina

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**Church Supper and mission project:** There will be a church supper next Sunday evening, November 7, at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall; cost is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children (age 4-12), while children 3 and under are free. The program will be a "hands-on" project, packing shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child, a ministry of Samaritan's Purse. Participants should bring empty shoe boxes, along with small toys, school supplies, hygiene items and candy to pack in the shoe boxes for shipment to needy children worldwide.

**Logos/MSM Veteran's Night:** In honor of Veterans' Day, all military veterans and current military personnel are invited to be guests at the Logos/MSM dinner hour on Wednesday, November 10, at 6:15 p.m. Please contact the church office (704-664-5275) by next Monday, November 8, if you plan to attend.

**The Purpose Driven Life Bible study** is resuming at the home of Liz Price on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Lora Lee Holshouser will lead the study. For further information, please call Liz Price at 704-664-5270.

**Birth:** Congratulations are extended to Melanie and Scott Burton, 206 Coventry Lane, Salisbury NC 28147, into whose home was born a daughter, Katherine (Kate) Rebecca Burton on October 28. Congratulations are also expressed to grandparents, Ed and Martha Lewis.

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