

Order of Divine Worship
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 29, 2006

Gathering around God's Word

WELCOME AND SERVICE OF FRIENDSHIP Russell Mase
MINUTE FOR MISSION
PRELUDE: (11:00 a.m.) "Arietta" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(Middle School Handbells)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord. I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.

Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who have pleasure in them.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who practice it.

His praise endures forever.

Let us worship God!

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

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken, we confess that we fail to fulfill your will. Though you have bound yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love one another as you command. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once more in the paths of righteousness, and renew a right and generous spirit within us. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

*RESPONSE: "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" No. 484

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call answer me. O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer, come and listen to me.

Proclaiming God's Word

CHILDREN'S SERMON Thermond Thompson
SCRIPTURE LESSON: Joel 2:24-29 (pew Bible, page 804)
(8:30 a.m.) Sue Stevens, (11:00 a.m.) Mac Herring
ANTHEM: (11:00 a.m.) "Ave Verum" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(Middle School Handbells)
SERMON: "Dreams, Visions, and Prophecy" Russell Mase

Responding to God's Word

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

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostle's 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.

*GLORIA PATRI: "Glory Be to the Father" No. 734

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 forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: (8:30 a.m.) "Ave Verum" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
(Billie Brawley)
(11:00 a.m.) "The Whole Armor of God" K. Lee Scott
(Chancel Choir)

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (8:30 a.m.) Debbie Hyatt, (11:00 a.m.) Judith McLean

Bearing God's Word into the World

*HYMN: "Go Now in Peace" No. 717

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: (8:30 a.m.) "March of the Priests" *The March of the Priests* Wolfgang A. Mozart
(11:00 a.m.) "Alleluia" Wolfgang A. Mozart

Recordings of the 11:00 a.m. service are available at the sound console at the back 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.

We welcome guest musician, Billie Brawley, to the 8:30 a.m. service.

Christian sympathy is expressed to Brian and Sharon Antemann and family in the death of Brian's mother on January 21 and to Alison Deaton and family in the death of her grandmother, Hattie Hanson on January 23.

A New Member Class will be held beginning Sunday, February 5 at 9:45 a.m., in Room 222. Anyone wishing to join our church or who is seeking information about First Presbyterian Church or the Presbyterian faith is welcome.

Chili Cook-off and Talent Show: Everyone is encouraged to attend the first "Chili Cook-off" and annual Talent Show tonight at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Participants will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite chili and support the Mwandu Endowment financially. In addition to the chili, combread, drinks and desserts will be provided, along with peanut butter and jelly sandwiches (\$4 for adults and \$2 for children, with a maximum of \$15 per family). Following the chili supper, we will have our seventh annual Talent Show. A preschool nursery will be provided.

Flowers for the sanctuary: If you would be interested in providing flowers for a Sunday morning worship service to honor or memorialize a loved one, you may sign-up on the flower calendar. Jerilyn Fair will be in the parlor this morning with the flower calendar for those of you who would like to sign-up today.

W.A. Mozart is the featured composer of today's worship service. January 27, 2006 marked the 250th anniversary of his birth in Salzburg, Austria. A music critic once stated, "Mozart is music," and most composers since 1791 have agreed. The MSM Handbells will ring two arrangements of Mozart's work as well as keyboard works for the offertory and postlude. Thanks be to God for the gifts of music and great musicians like Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

Calendar and Announcements

- Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - Early Worship
 9:45 a.m. - Church School
 11:00 a.m. - Worship Celebration with MSM Handbells
 5:13 p.m. - PYF
 6:00 p.m. - Annual Chili Cook-off Supper and Talent Show
- Monday: 7:00 p.m. - Purpose Driven Life Bible Study at the home of Liz Price
 7:30 p.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fred and Jean Coates
- Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. - PYF Supper Club at Camille's
 6:15 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers
- Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner
 4:00 p.m. - Logos/MSM - *Mardi Gras*
 5:00 p.m. - Kairos
 5:30 p.m. - Confirmation Class
 5:30 p.m. - High School Bible study at the White's home
 7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir
- Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - Bible Study with Peggy & Harding Rogers
 7:00 p.m. - Mooresville User's Group
- Friday: 10:00 a.m. - Women's Bible Study in the Parlor
- Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - Presbytery Meeting at Salisbury
- Sunday 2/5: 8:30 a.m. - Early Worship with Logos choir
 9:45 a.m. - Church School
 9:45 a.m. - New Member Class
 11:00 a.m. - Worship Celebration with Eagle Scout recognition
 5:13 p.m. - PYF Souper Bowl Party
 7:00 p.m. - Committee Meetings

For up to date information on church worship services, activities, a copy of the latest bulletin and newsletter, please check our website at: www.moorevillefirstpres.org

CHURCH STAFF

Ministers: All the members of the congregation

Interim Pastor: Russell Mase

Associate Pastor: Fred Coates

Director of Music: Alan Sledge

Organist: Christy Floyd

Director of Christian Education: Ellen Auten

Secretary: Nellie Goodman

Preschool Director: Nancy Kortright

Custodian: Billy Black

Treasurer: LuAnne Sledge

Hostess:

Pastor Emeritus: S. Edwin Lewis



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The Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth be silent before Him...

Habakkuk 2:20