

Order of Divine Worship  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 19, 2006

*Gathering around God's Word*

WELCOME AND SERVICE OF FRIENDSHIP ..... Russell Mase  
PRELUDE: "Morning Prayer"..... Anonymous

(Christy Floyd, organ)

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

**Love is of God, and they who love are born of God and know God.**

Jesus said: As I have loved you, you also should love one another.

**If God so loved us, we ought to love one another.**

Let us worship God!

\*HYMN: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" ..... No. 72

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

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

**Amen.**

\*RESPONSE: "Restore in Us, O God".....No. 381

**Restore in us, O God, the splendor of your love; renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.**

*Proclaiming God's Word*

CHILDREN'S SERMON ..... Fred Coates

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00 a.m.)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Obadiah 15-18 ..... (pew Bible, page 814)

(8:30 a.m.) Jim McDonnell, (11:00 a.m.) Carolyn Brawley

SERMON: "Always the Remnant" ..... Russell Mase

*Responding to God's Word*

\*HYMN: "The God of Abraham Praise" ..... No. 16

\*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.**

\*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 ANTHEM: (8:30 a.m.) "I Touched His Garment" ..... Thompson and Goodine  
(Alan Sledge)

(11:00 a.m.) "Passacaglia of Praise" ..... Craig Courtney  
(Chancel Choir)

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION: "We Give Thee but Thine Own".....No. 688

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be: all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION.....(8:30 a.m.) Billie Brawley, (11:00 a.m.) Cindy Hitchcock

*Bearing God's Word into the World*

\*HYMN: "Savior, Again to Your Dear Name" ..... No. 711

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "March of the Prophets" ..... William Stickles

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

**The flowers** in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in recognition of the birthdays of Mandy Abercrombie, Madison Copeland, and Chase Garland by Roger and Debbie Hyatt.

**Congratulations** are expressed to Jackie and Jeremy Elliott on the birth of a daughter, Blythe Hope on February 6. Blythe joins big sister, Bailee.

**The office is working on a new directory** of members for 2006. If you have any corrections or additions, please e-mail your changes to secretary@moorevillefirstpres.org or you may call the office at 704-664-5275. We would like this information as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Newsletter reminder:** The deadline that the office will accept articles for the March newsletter is Monday, February 20.

**Volunteers are needed** to help with the refreshments that are served after both worship services on Sunday morning. We need folks to provide the refreshments and those to help serve them. Please call Mike Toma at 704-892-3474 to offer your assistance.

**Saints Alive Luncheon:** The monthly Saints Alive luncheon will be held this Tuesday, February 21, at 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Please note that the luncheon cost is now \$4. The program will be presented by Elaine Drye, who will give us practical ideas for researching family history and genealogy. Come and bring a friend!

**Logos/MSM Mission Project:** Logos and MSM participants (grades 1-8) are reminded to bring items for their "Mission Impossible" night this Wednesday, February 22. These items will be used to fill "movie baskets," which will be donated to the residential homes at Barium Springs Home for Children. Please bring one or more of the following items: movie rental coupons, popcorn, sodas, candy, and any fun snacks.

**Dead Sea Scrolls Presentation:** Centre Presbyterian Church is hosting a presentation by Dr. Robert E. Cooley, former president of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, this Thursday, February 23, at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Cooley's presentation will enhance appreciation and understanding of the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit, coming to Discovery Place this month. Centre Church is located at 129 Centre Church Road; call their church office at 704-664-3160 with further details.

## *Calendar and Announcements*

- Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - Early Worship  
 9:45 a.m. - Church School  
 11:00 a.m. - Worship Celebration with New Member Reception  
 3:00 p.m. - Handmaidens of the Lord (No. 6) at the home of Eloise Brawley  
 5:13 p.m. - PYF  
 7:00 p.m. - Deacon's Meeting
- Monday: President's Day – Weekday Preschool Closed  
 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: 10:30 a.m. - Exploring Our Reformed Faith Group in the library  
 12:30 p.m. - Saints Alive luncheon  
 5:30 p.m. - PYF Supper Club at Mama Dottie's Taste of New Orleans  
 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 – *Mission Impossible Night*  
 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
- Friday: 10:00 a.m. - Women's Bible Study in the Parlor  
 PYF 30 Hour Fast
- Sunday 2/26: 8:30 a.m. - Early Worship  
 9:45 a.m. - Church School  
 11:00 a.m. - Worship Celebration and Baptism with MSM Handbells  
 3:00 p.m. - Handmaidens of the Lord (No. 6) at the home of Eloise Brawley  
 5:13 p.m. - PYF  
 6:00 p.m. - Executive Committee meeting  
 7:00 p.m. - Session

### CHURCH STAFF

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

**Interim Pastor:** Russell Mase

**Director of Music:** Alan Sledge

**Director of Christian Education:** Ellen Auten

**Preschool Director:** Nancy Kortright

**Treasurer:** LuAnne Sledge

**Associate Pastor:** Fred Coates

**Organist:** Christy Floyd

**Secretary:** Nellie Goodman

**Custodian:** Billy Black

**Hostess:**

**Pastor Emeritus:** S. Edwin Lewis

*For up to date information on worship services, activities, a copy of the latest bulletin and newsletter, please check the church's website at: [www.moorestvillefirstpres.org](http://www.moorestvillefirstpres.org)*



## First Presbyterian Church

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

Habakkuk 2:20