

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

June 10, 2007

11:00 A.M.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP.....The Rev. Dr. Clay J. Brown, Pastor
Welcome and Friendship Pads
Announcements
Invocation

PRELUDE: "When Morning Gilds the Skies".....Lind
Dr. Steven Mowery, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

\*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession
Unison Prayer of Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy upon us, O God, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Teach us to hate our errors. Cleanse us from our secret faults. Forgive our sins, for the sake of your dear Son. Help us to live in your light and to walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray; Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession
Assurance of Pardon

Leader: ... Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
Unison: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

\*RESPONSE: "Change My Heart, O God".....Hymnal, No. 373
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like you. You are the Potter, I am the clay; mold me and make me, this is what I pray. Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

CHILDREN'S SERMON.....Thermond Thompson

OLD TESTAMENT READING: 2 Samuel 9:1-7,13.....Pew Bible, pp. 276-277
Julie Morrow, Reader

\*SCRIPTURAL AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: From Romans 8
We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,

nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

\*HYMN: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us".....Hymnal, No. 440

PASTORAL PRAYER 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 TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give
Offertory: "Go Into the World".....Sleeth
Chancel Choir

\*Doxology: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow".....Hymnal, No. 34
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED

Mark 2:13-17 (Insert)

"FOCUS ON JESUS: New Life from Jesus—New Direction"
Dr. Brown

\*HYMN: "All the Way My Savior Leads Me" (Verses 1-2).....Hymnal, No. 505

\*INVITATION AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE: "All the Way My Savior Leads Me" (Verse 3).....Hymnal, No. 505

POSTLUDE: "Toccata in F Major".....Buxtehude

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\* Those who are able will please stand.

If you are our guest today, welcome to First Presbyterian! We're so glad you're worshipping with us. For more information, please indicate your interest on the Friendship Pad and speak with one of the pastors following the service. God bless you! Please return to worship with us again.

You can become a member of First Presbyterian TODAY by your profession of faith, transfer of church membership, or reaffirmation of faith. Elders from the Session meet after every service to receive new members. Please speak with our pastor in the Parlor following today's service.

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 this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Carolyn and Bill Morrow's 50th wedding anniversary by their children and their families.

## Announcements

**FOCUS ON JESUS Sermon Series on the Gospel of Mark:** Our current sermon series puts the spotlight right where it belongs—on Jesus Christ. **FOCUS ON JESUS** will lead us through the Gospel of Mark from beginning to end. Mini-series within the overall series will provide helpful clarity and variety as we work through this Gospel. **The preaching schedule for June and early July is:**

June 3	Mark 2:1-12	<i>FOCUS ON JESUS: New Life from Jesus—New Health</i>
June 10	Mark 2:13-17	<i>FOCUS ON JESUS: New Life from Jesus—New Direction</i>
June 17	Mark 2:18-22	<i>FOCUS ON JESUS: New Life from Jesus—New Joy</i>
June 24	Mark 2:23-28	<i>FOCUS ON JESUS: New Life from Jesus—New Freedom</i>
July 1	Mark 3:1-6	<i>FOCUS ON JESUS: New Life from Jesus—New Resolve</i>

We will also provide an optional resource to help you in your personal study of the Gospel of Mark: *Mark for Everyone*. Its author is Tom (N. T.) Wright, one of the most well-known and capable Biblical scholars of this generation. His writing in *Mark for Everyone*, however, is for the average churchgoer. The passages outlined in *Mark for Everyone* correspond with those in our sermon series, so you can read and study as we go. **We have distributed all our copies of *Mark for Everyone*, but we can order more. If you're interested, please notify the church office at [secretary@moorevillefirstpres.org](mailto:secretary@moorevillefirstpres.org) or 704-664-5275.** The books are free, and we encourage donations to help with the costs; \$12 is suggested.

**VBS Staff Meeting:** All Vacation Bible School volunteers are encouraged to attend a Staff Orientation meeting and pizza supper this Monday, June 11, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Please make every effort to attend.

**Special thanks to Peggy Davidson** as she directs the Chancel Choir this morning. Peggy is filling in for Alan Sledge while he is away on vacation. He will be returning on Monday, June 25.

**Come to 2007 Vacation Bible School** and set out on a seaside adventure without even having to pack and leave town! Bring the entire family to Galilee By-the-Sea! You will travel back into Bible times where you can become part of history as you see, hear, touch, and even taste what it was like to live in Bible times! You will explore authentic marketplace shops, visit the Synagogue, take part in games, dance to lively Bible songs, and sample tasty tidbits as you discover more about life when Jesus walked the earth. These experiences make God's Word come alive with new meaning for all who participate! Participants will join together to form small tribal families - one of the twelve tribes of Israel. Small family Tribes ensure that every participant is welcomed, encouraged to participate, and affirmed.

Mark these dates and times on your calendar:

**Sunday, June 24 to Wednesday, June 27, 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

All activities will take place here at First Presbyterian, and activities will be available for **all** ages. A snack supper will be served each evening; nursery care will be provided. Registration forms are available in the church office and at the table in the church parlor. Call the church office (704-664-5275) if you have questions.



June 10, 2007  
11:00 a.m. Worship

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Habbakkuk 2:20

## *Calendar*

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9:45 a.m. - Church School  
11:00 a.m. - Worship

Monday: 12:00 p.m. - Circle No. 1 at the home of Eleanor Templeton (van will leave from church at 11:45 a.m. for those needing a ride)  
6:15 p.m. - Blessed in Christ (No. 3) in the Session Room  
6:30 p.m. - VBS Staff meeting in the Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 166 in the Scout Hut

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. - Circle of Faith (No. 4)  
5:30 p.m. - PYPF Pool party and cookout at the Carpenter home

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