

SERMON TEXT:  
JOHN 13:34-35

<sup>34</sup>A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

SERMON OUTLINE

I. A Directive for Witness

II. A Definition of Witness (v. 34)

III. A Demonstration of Witness (v.35)

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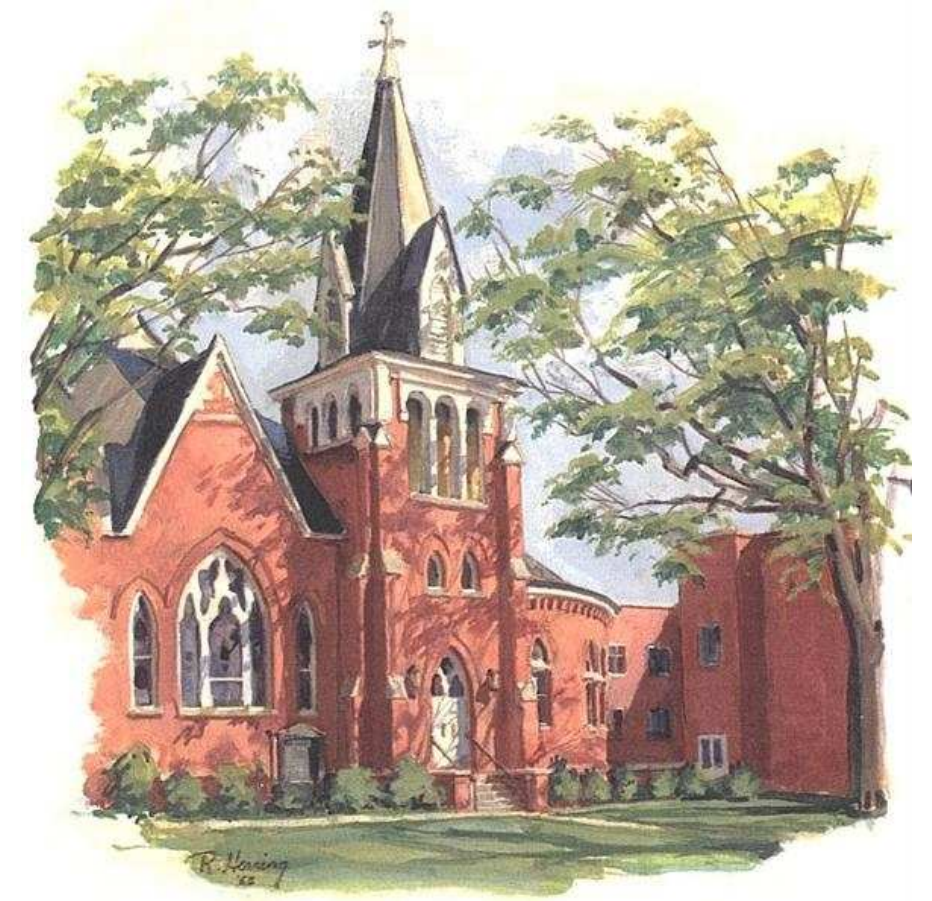
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September 21, 2008 ♦ 11:00 A.M.

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**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**..... Fred Coates

Welcome and Announcements  
Invocation

**PRELUDE: Aria**..... Handel

Joanne Daykin, Organist

**\*THE DOXOLOGY: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**.....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.

**\*OPENING SENTENCES**

**\*HYMN: Shine, Jesus Shine**.....319

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** *The Nicene Creed*.....Tyler Domske

**We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son\*, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

**THE WORD OF GOD READ:** Deuteronomy 6: 4-9.....p. 161  
Joyce Johnson, Reader

**\*HYMN:** *The Gift of Love*.....397

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Confession  
Thanksgiving  
Intercession  
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.**

#### GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: *If You Love Me*.....Beck  
Chancel Choir

\*Response: *For the Life You Have Given*.....684

**For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own: here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

**THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED:** John 13:34-35

*Life Management 101: Managing Your Witness*.....Fred Coates

**\*HYMN:** *I Love to Tell the Story* (Verses 1-2).....560

#### \*GOING IN GOD'S NAME

Invitation  
Charge and Benediction  
Response: *I Love to Tell the Story* (Verse 3).....560

**\*POSTLUDE:** *Fugue in F Minor*.....Handel

\* Those who are able will please stand.

**If you are our guest today, welcome!** We're so glad you're here. For more information on FPC, please indicate your interest on the Friendship Pad and/or take home a "Welcome Home" folder from the Parlor. **You can become a FPC member TODAY** by your profession of faith, transfer of membership, or reaffirmation of faith. Please speak with a pastor following the service.

**Large print bulletins** are available from the ushers. **Assisted listening devices** are available from 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 memory of Marti Estes by Bryce, Hayden and Eric.

**Recent Prayer Requests:** Lottie Massey; Jamie Telinger; Beth Rafi; Anne Lowe; Ken Bernd's nephew, David Ortwein; Fred Hoke; Lois Kirk; Don Fair; Mary Voils Aven; Rick Faulkenberry's brother, Bill; Adrien Domske's grandfather, Bill Klinginsmith; Gene and Judy Richardson; Susan Meade's father, Ron; Tip McGee; Phil Lofin's brother-in-law, Dave Montgomery, Bob and Christine Davidson; Anita Teeter; Terry Stevens; Curtis Blake, Cathy Brown's father; Martha Andrews; EO3SW Laban Thompson; and those who have recently lost loved ones.

**Christian sympathy** is expressed to Stacy Windsor and family in the recent death of her step-father.

**An October Thursday Night With Clay-** Our senior pastor, Dr. Clay Brown, will teach a six-week course on prayer on Thursday evenings in October and early November. The course is "Ten Prayers God Always Says Yes To". "Why should I sign up for this course?" Because prayer, properly perceived and practiced, is life-changing. Because through prayer, the transformational power of the gospel comes alive in you and through you. Because your prayer life is not anywhere near where it needs to be, and you know it but you're not sure what to do about it. The dates are Thursdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and November 6. The times are 7:00-8:15 p.m. The location is the Parlor. Advance registration is necessary. You can register by contacting the church office by phone (704-664-5275) or email ([nellic@moorevillefirstpres.org](mailto:nellic@moorevillefirstpres.org)). Every participant (or at least every couple) will need a copy of the book. You can purchase one for \$14 at the first class meeting, with checks made out to First Presbyterian Church. Don't hesitate to talk with Clay if you have any questions about the course—its scope, schedule, etc.—so please contact him at the church office or by email ([clay@moorevillefirstpres.org](mailto:clay@moorevillefirstpres.org)).

**The Monday evening Bible Study** held at the home of Fred and Jean Coates will resume on Monday, September 22 at 7:30 p.m.

**Saints Alive Trip:** The Saints Alive group is planning a trip to Barium Springs Home for Children this Friday, September 26. The group will tour the Chapel of the Springs, museum, day care facility, school, and possibly a residential home. The group plans to leave at 9:30 a.m., tour the facility, and have lunch in the Troutman area. Please contact Ellen Auten to make a reservation.

**Church School Social:** Everyone is invited to a Church School Social next Sunday, September 28, from 9:50-10:10 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Come enjoy breakfast refreshments and fellowship

#### Calendar for September 21 - 28, 2008

Sunday:	9:00 a.m. - Worship 10:00 a.m. - Church School 11:00 a.m. - Worship 4:15 p.m. - Alpha PYF (Grades 7-8) 5:15 p.m. - Omega PYF (Grades 9-12) 5:30 p.m. - Catechism Club 7:00 p.m. - Handicap Planning Task Force in library
Monday:	7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts 7:30 p.m. - Executive Committee
Wednesday:	11:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner 4:00 p.m. - Logos/MSM - <i>South of the Border</i> Night 6:15 p.m. - HS Supper Club at CiCi's Pizza 7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir
Thursday:	9:30 a.m. - Bible Study at the Rogers' home 6:00 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers
Friday:	9:30 a.m. - Saints Alive trip to Barium Springs
Sunday 9/28	9:00 a.m. - Worship 9:50 a.m. - Church School Social in the FH 10:00 a.m. - Church School 11:00 a.m. - Worship with Logos Choir 4:15 p.m. - Alpha PYF (Grades 7-8) 5:15 p.m. - Omega PYF (Grades 9-12) 5:30 p.m. - Catechism Club 7:00 p.m. - Session

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John 13:34 NRSV