

**SERMON TEXT**

**Matthew 6:19-21 (NRSV)**

<sup>19</sup>“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; <sup>20</sup>but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

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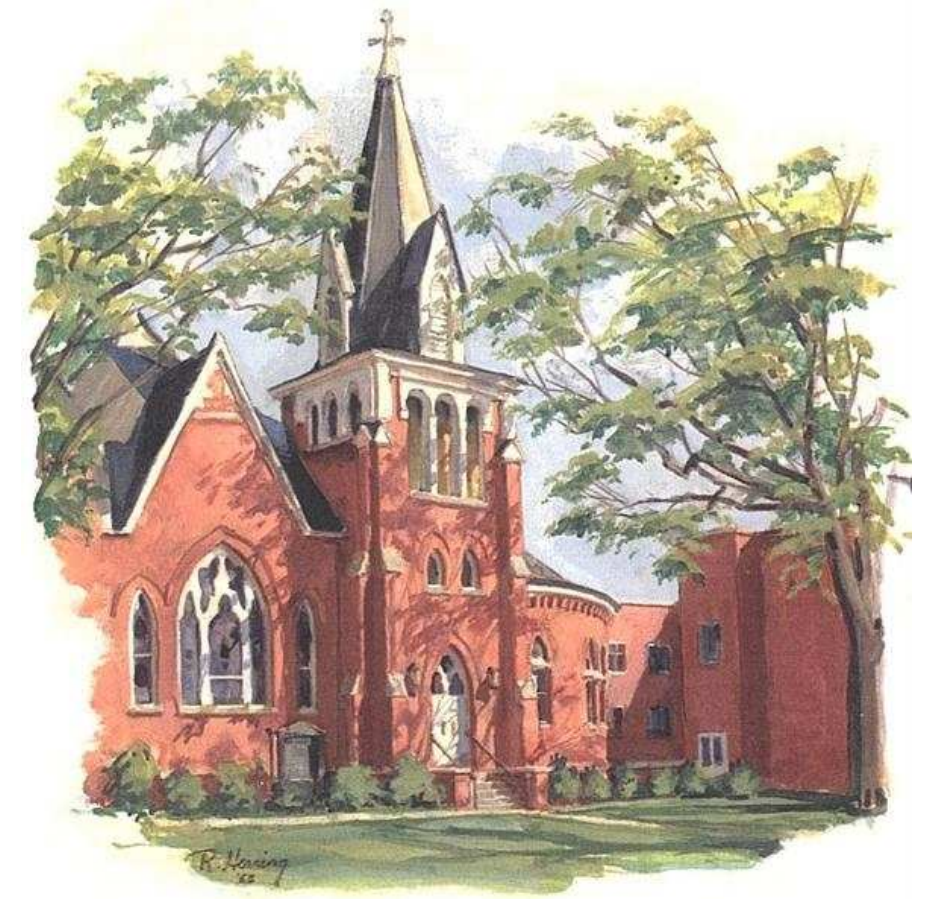
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October 12, 2008 ♦ 11:00 A.M. ♦ Stewardship Sunday

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**.....Clay Brown

Welcome and Announcements  
 Invocation

**PRELUDE**:.....Linda McKechnie

**\*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: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**.....71

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed**.....Tyler Domske  
 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.

**ANTHEM:** *Everlasting God*.....Brown/Riley  
Presbyterian Youth Fellowship Praise Band

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

**THE WORD OF GOD READ:** Ecclesiastes 5:10-17 .....pp. 589-590  
Becky Rader, Reader

**PASTORAL PRAYER**..... Fred Coates  
Confession

**Almighty God: in love you spread good gifts before us, more than we need or deserve. You feed, heal, teach, and save us. We confess that we always want more, that we never share as freely as you give. We resent what we lack, and we are jealous of neighbors. We misuse what you intend for joy. God, forgive our stubborn pride and greed. In your mercy, help us to take such pleasure in your goodness that we will always be thanking you...**

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:.....Linda McKechnie

\*Response: *Come, All Christians, Be Committed* (Verse 2)..... HYMN TO JOY

**Of your time and talents give now, they are gifts from God above, to be used by Christians freely to proclaim his wondrous love. Come again to serve the Savior, tithes and offerings with you bring; in your work, with Christ find favor, and with joy his praises sing.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

**THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED:** Matthew 6:19-21

*Take It Easy!*..... Dave McKechnie

\***HYMN:** *All Things Are Yours!* (Verses 1-3)..... 687

### \*GOING IN GOD'S NAME

Invitation

Charge and Benediction

Response: *All Things Are Yours!* (Verse 4) ..... 687

\***POSTLUDE:** *Trumpet Tune in 'D'*..... Daly  
Joanne Daykin, organist

\* 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 honor of Gene Harris for being a wonderful father by his daughter Jennifer Bullard.

**Recent Prayer Requests:** Stephen Hambrick, Helen Boyd's son; Helen McCullough; Liz Rader; Jamie Telinger; Beth Rafi; Lottie Massey; Ken Bernd's nephew, David Ortwein; Don Fair; Mary Voils Aven; Gene and Judy Richardson; Tip McGee; Phil Loftin's brother-in-law, Dave Montgomery, Bob Davidson; Anita Teeter; Terry Stevens; Curtis Blake, Cathy Brown's father; Martha Andrews; EO3SW Laban Thompson; and those who have recently lost loved ones.

**Presbyterian Men – Note Time Change:** We would like to invite the men of the church to our monthly fellowship, October 19, 2008. We will begin our meeting with breakfast at 8:00 AM followed by a program. We will wrap up our meeting in time to attend the 9:00 Worship Service. If you have not attended a meeting recently and want to attend this Sunday, please plan to come. Let us know if you are attending by calling John Neely at 704 663 2592. We are blessed to have Gene Vaughan to share his experiences with our group. Our program will be presented by Gene and will introduce us to the Wind Mill Farms in Wyoming. Gene has consulted with the companies building this alternative-energy wind farm. I am sure you will learn about his huge energy endeavor. We normally meet on the second Sunday of the month. However, our church will gather today for a special Stewardship Dinner. We look forward to seeing you at both events.

**The Logos Council** will meet this Tuesday, October 14, at 11:30 a.m. in the session room.

**Operation Christmas Child:** We plan to pack shoe boxes for the Operation Christmas Child project, immediately following the November 2 church supper. Operation Christmas Child delivers shoe boxes to needy children around the world. Begin shopping for items to fill the shoe boxes: **Toys:** small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, harmonicas, etc. **School supplies:** pens, pencils and sharpeners, markers, crayons, notepads, coloring books, etc. **Hygiene items:** toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, combs, washcloths, etc. Other items: hard candy, lollipops, mints, gum, sunglasses, flashlights and batteries, socks, etc. **Please do not include these items:** Used items, war-related items, perishable items, liquids, medicines, or breakable items. Donation boxes will be available in the church office, parlor, and fellowship hall. You may find more information about the project at [www.samaritanspurse.org](http://www.samaritanspurse.org). In addition to packing the shoe boxes, we will enjoy "after dinner music" from the Logos choir (grades 1-6) and the PYF Band (grades 7-12).

**Linda McKechnie**, Dave's wife, is a gifted pianist and Christian recording artist. She is blessing us today with her artistic gifts. CDs by Linda are available in the parlor.

## Calendar for October 12-19, 2008

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Early Worship  
10:00 a.m. - Church School  
11:00 a.m. - Worship  
12:00 p.m. - "Blessed to Bless Others" Luncheon in the FH

Following lunch Budget & Finance Committee

4:15 p.m. - Alpha PYF  
5:15 p.m. - Omega PYF  
5:30 p.m. - Catechism Club  
6:00 p.m. - Diaconate  
7:00 p.m. - Committee Meetings

Monday: 2:00 p.m. - Circle 1 in the parlor  
6:15 p.m. - Circle 3 in the parlor  
7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts  
7:30 p.m. - Bible Study at the Coates' home

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. - Circle 4 in the library  
11:30 a.m. - Logos Council in the session room  
12:00 p.m. - Circle 5 at the home of Sandra Harris  
2:00 p.m. - Circle 6 in the parlor  
6:00 p.m. - Circle 2 in the parlor

Wednesday: 1:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner  
4:00 p.m. - Logos/MSM *Sports* Night  
6:15 p.m. - HS Supper Club at Cookout  
7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - Bible Study at the Rogers home  
6:00 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers  
7:00 a.m. - Bible Study in the Sanctuary

Friday: 10:00 p.m. - PYF 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter

Sunday, 10/19: 8:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Men's Breakfast  
9:00 a.m. - Early Worship  
10:00 a.m. - Church School  
11:00 a.m. - Worship  
5:15 p.m. - Catechism Club with mentors  
6:30 p.m. - PYF to Carrigan Farms *Forbidden Farms*  
7:00 p.m. - Session

## Blessed to Bless Others Luncheon

**Today ♦ Following 11:00 A.M. Worship ♦ Fellowship Hall  
Catered Meal ♦ Guest Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Dave McKechnie  
All are welcome!**

Dave McKechnie is uniquely gifted and qualified to speak with us on stewardship matters. He is the Pastor Emeritus of Grace Presbyterian Church, Houston, where he led that congregation into remarkable growth in membership (4,500 members at his retirement) and ministry during his 25+ year tenure there. Even in retirement, he continues his ministry of service and stewardship, helping as interim pastor for First Presbyterian Church, Houston, TX, to launch a \$10 million capital campaign for missions, ministry, and debt retirement for that congregation. He will preach both services and speak to us following the luncheon. You will enjoy the luncheon. It is catered and will be quite a treat for us. We are covering the cost of the luncheon with donations, so please give generously and cheerfully as the Lord leads.