

SERMON TEXT

Mark 6:27-38

²⁷And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

³⁴And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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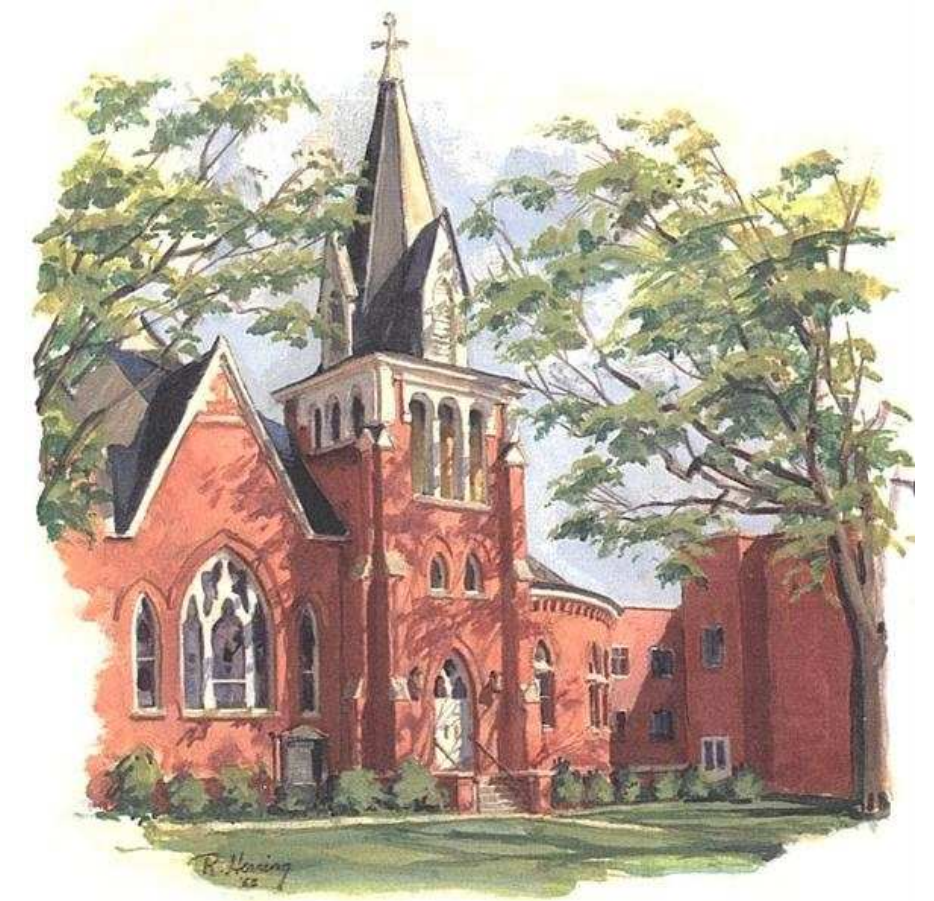
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November 2, 2008 ♦ 11:00 A.M

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP.....Fred Coates
Welcome, Announcements, and Minute for Mission
Invocation

PRELUDE: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*.....Diemer
Joanne Daykin

***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.

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 34:1-3)**
I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
Let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together.

***HYMN:** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*.....68

***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.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

ANTHEM: *Fanfare of Praise*.....Frier MSM Handbells

THE WORD OF GOD READ: Joshua 24:1-5, 14-15.....pp. 210-211 Charlton Allen, Reader

***HYMN:** *O How I Love Jesus*.....109

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: *Forever Blest is He*Handel Chancel Choir

*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: Mark 6:27-38

What Good Is It?Fred Coates

***HYMN:** *Lead On, O King Eternal* (Verses 1-2)508

***GOING IN GOD’S NAME**

Invitation
Charge and Benediction
*Response: *Lead On, O King Eternal* (Verse 3).....508

***POSTLUDE:** *The God of Abraham Praise*.....Burkhardt

*** 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 John and Rachel Allred by the Bill and Gene Harris families.

Recent Prayer Requests: The Brown family; Wendy Vaughn; Helen McCullough; Aimee Culler’s father; Amy Williams’ father; Tom Harold; Gene Harris; Claude Voils; Holly Lemons’ father; Joyce Schnell, Cathy Irwin’s aunt; Shari Irwin, sister-in-law of Joe and Cathy Irwin; Lottie Massey; Don Fair; Mary Voils Aven; ; Bob Davidson; Anita Teeter; Terry Stevens; Curtis Blake, Cathy Brown’s father; David Ortwein, Ken Bernd’s nephew; Martha Andrews; EO3SW Laban Thompson.

Christian Sympathy is expressed to Clay Brown and family in the death of his brother on October 27.

Catechism Club Mentors: Catechism Club participants and mentors will meet at 5:15 p.m. tonight in Room 322 for recitation of questions 29-48.

Veteran’s Night at Logos: All veterans of any branch of the military are invited to be special guests at the Logos/MSM dinner hour on Wednesday, November 12, at 6:15 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Please contact the church office (704-664-5275) by Monday, November 10, to make a reservation

Everyone is encouraged to attend the church supper tonight at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The supper, under the leadership of church hostess Jeryllyn Fair with assistance from Circle 5 and members of the Property Committee, is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children (no charge for children under 4), with a maximum cost of \$12 per family. After our meal, we will enjoy “after dinner music” from the Logos choir (grades 1-6) and the PYF Praise Band (grades 7-12). Following the musical selections, we will have an opportunity to pack shoe boxes for hurting and needy children around the world through the Operation Christmas Child shoe box project, which is part of Samaritans Purse in Boone, NC. Items needed 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 are available in the church office, parlor, and fellowship hall. You may find more information about the project at www.samaritanspurse.org

Still time to turn in Pledge Cards and Time and Talent Brochures: If you have not yet been able to turn in your 2009 pledge card or your 2009 Time and Talent brochure, you’re encouraged to do so as soon as you’re able. Your pledges help our Budget and Finance Committee and the Session to determine the 2009 church budget. Your responses on the Time and Talent brochure help our ministries to put people in the right places and assist our committees in completing their rosters for the coming year. If you’ve lost your pledge card or Time and Talent brochure, please contact the church office for another one.

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting to nominate and elect officers on November 16 following the 11:00 a.m. service. We will receive the Church Officer Nominating Committee’s report that will nominate persons to serve as elders and deacons, receiving additional nominations from the floor, and voting to elect officers for the Session and Diaconate. There are eight vacancies for elder (seven for the Class of 2011 and one for the Class of 2010) and eight vacancies for deacon (seven for the Class of 2011 and one for the Class of 2010). The nominating committee may nominate up to twice the number of vacancies. This year’s committee will place in to nomination 14

persons for elder and 13 for deacon. Those who have given their consent to be placed into nomination by the committee are:

ELDER: Beth Allen, Mark Auten, Allen Brawley, Beverly Chappell, Brent Curtis, Don Fair, Mary Fortanbary, Brian Little, Tom Morrow, Lynn Parnell, Liz Rader, Karen Shore, Paul Trimble, Harry Weyer.
DEACON: Bryan Cole, Chris Creech, Ross Culp, Jim Davidson, Thomas McMillan, Danny Moore, Eric Puer, Beth Sink, Mary Beth Stutts, Gene Vaughan, Lucinda Weyer, Chip Whittington, Amy Williams.

Church members will receive additional biographical information about each nominee in the mail. Additional nominations may be made from the floor. Such nominations are always appropriate, as long as the nominee has given prior consent, and serve as a check and balance for the committee. The official election procedure of the church is as follows: “Each active member present at the congregational meeting may vote for the number of elders and deacons to be elected, and those receiving a majority of votes shall be declared elected. Twice the number of elders and deacons still to be elected, taken from those receiving the next highest number of votes on the first ballot, shall be placed on the second ballot. This procedure shall be repeated until the required number shall be elected by a majority of the voters present and voting.” Members of the Session and Diaconate classes of 2008, excluding those members on the committee, will count the ballots. The members of the Church Officer Nominating Committee are C. P. Chappell (chair), Trent Newell, Jim McDonnell, Lucy Hastings, Bill Brawley, Neil Trimble, Margaret Curtis, and Clay Brown (*ex officio*).

Calendar for November 2- 9, 2008

Sunday:	9:00 a.m. - Early Worship 10:00 a.m. - Church School 11:00 a.m. - Worship with MSM Handbells 3:00 p.m. - Prayer Shawl Ministry in the library 5:00 p.m. - Catechism Club 5:30 p.m. - PYF Alpha and Omega 6:00 p.m. - Church Night Supper and Operation Christmas Child Event
Monday:	7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts 7:30 p.m. - Bible Study at the Coates’ home
Tuesday:	Election Day 7:00 p.m. - Cub Scouts
Wednesday:	10:30 a.m. - Prayer Group in the library 11:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner 2:00 p.m. - Blood Drive at the Citizen Center until 7 p.m. 4:00 p.m. - Logos/MSM <i>God Bless America</i> Night 6:15 p.m. - HS Supper Club at Taco Bell 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 7:30 p.m. - Mooresville Users Group in room 310
Friday:	5:00 p.m. - Pancake Supper & Food Drive in the FH
Saturday:	7:00 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast & Food Drive in the FH 9:00 a.m. - PYF Mission and a Movie
Sunday, Nov. 9	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 4:15 p.m. - Alpha PYF 5:15 p.m. - Omega PYF 5:30 p.m. - Catechism Club 6:00 p.m. - Deacon’s Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Committee Meetings