

SERMON NOTES ♦ SEPTEMBER 13, 2009
“No Lone Rangers”

SERMON TEXT

Romans 12:3-13 (ESV)

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

NOTES

Leadership of First Presbyterian Church

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Class of 2010

David W. Brooks, II
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Joyce S. Johnson
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Class of 2011

Mark E. Auten
Allen M. Brawley
W. Brent Curtis
Mary H. Fortanbary
Karen A. Shore
Paul S. Trimble
Harry Weyer

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Kathleen H. Irwin, Moderator

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Judy L. Cole
Eric H. Estes
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Laura E. Bates
Lynn T. Brooks
Rebecca B. Deal
Janice S. Puer
J. Patrick Stutts
Eric R. Puer

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples

September 13, 2009 ♦ 11:00 A.M.

WELCOME

Clay Brown

Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it down your pew for all to sign.
An asterisk (*) marks when those who are able will please stand.
Please turn off your cell phones or place them on “vibrate.”

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE FOR MISSION

David Brooks

INVOCATION

PRELUDE: “Blessed Ye Who Live in Faith Unswerving”

Brahms

Christy Floyd

CALL TO WORSHIP: “Canticle of Worship”

Martin

Chancel Choir

***HYMN 647: “We Have Come to Join in Worship”**

HOLY MANNA

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Tyler Domske

CALL TO CONFESSION

Fred Coates

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation. Sustain us with your bountiful Spirit...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI 734**

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

***HYMN 664: “Thy Word”**

Grant/Smith

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Phil Heilman

FIRST LESSON: Psalm 133:1-3

Pew Bible, p. 550

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON LESSON: Romans 12:3-13
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Notes

SERMON: “No Lone Rangers” Clay Brown

PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE AND 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: “Giver of Every Perfect Gift” K. Lee Scott
Giver of every perfect gift, You shape my life from womb to grave. Reveal your good and gracious will that plants me in this time and place. Display the gifts assigned to me. Make me a witness to your name. You planned and know the gifts I have; Creator God, from you they come, unique and special from your heart, intended for a chosen role. Thrill me to find and recognize the talents only you can give. Revealing word, sent Son of God, Proclaimer of the Kingdom’s dawn. It is for you, because of you, that every talent is bestowed. You have a part for me to fill, a purpose for this life of mine. Enabling Spirit, gift of gifts, empower me stir up my faith. Make me an instrument of grace, of mercy, blessing, peace and joy. Let me not miss another day in seeing what your gifts can do.

***DOXOLOGY 34** OLD 100TH
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

***HYMN 688:** “We Give Thee But Thine Own” (vv 1-4) SCHUMANN

*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.

*OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVITATION

*CHARGE AND BEDICTION

***RESPONSE 688:** “We Give Thee But Thine Own” (v 5) SCHUMANN

***POSTLUDE:** “Psalm XVIII” Marcello

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 the pastor in the chancel area 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 are given to the glory of God and in honor of Jim and Marjorie Schnicker, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on September 8.

Recent Prayer Requests: Martha Gragg, Karen Shore’s aunt, Allene Shore; Brayden Alleman, 10 year-old relative of the Loftins; Paul Trimble; Joan Gibson; Jonathan Burris; Jim Scott, the Fortanbary’s son-in-law’s father; Richard Holshouser; Pam Winters’ sister, Reaves Geist; Suzy Brawley; Bill Raffety’s father, Mick Raffety; Mary Voils Aven; Tip McGee; EO2SW Laban Thompson; Scott Knutsen; 1st Lt. Ben Peacock, USAF; all those who have recently lost loved ones; those who are looking for jobs.

Stewardship Emphasis Begins Next Sunday: Our theme for our annual stewardship emphasis is “All for You: Renewed, Rejoicing, Rededicated.” Church members will be receiving information in the mail on how we can respond to God’s grace and love for the coming year. Lay speakers and pastoral sermons will reflect this theme for the these Sundays:

- Sept. 20: “Here for You” (Matthew 28:20 and Galatians 6:2)
- Sept. 27: “For Your Community” (Acts 2:42-47)
- Oct. 4: “At Your Service” (Matthew 20:25-28)
- Oct. 11: Pledge Sunday—returning our pledge cards and Time and Talent responses (Colossians 3:15-17)

Attention College Students and Parents: Pleased send your college student’s addresses to Eleanor Templeton, Carolyn Poteat or the church office so that the Churchmouse Program can contact them. A letter and questionnaire will be sent to them along with news about our program. When the questionnaires are returned, the student will be assigned a Churchmouse.

Congregational Meeting Today, 11:00 a.m. The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, September 13, at the beginning of the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The purpose is to change the Rev. Tyler Domske’s terms of call to include a one-month paid paternity leave, per the recommendations and guidelines of Salem Presbytery.

Congregational Meeting Sept. 27, 11:00 a.m. The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, September 27, at the beginning of the 11:00 a.m. worship service, at the request of the Church Officer Nominating Committee. The purpose is to receive a report from the committee, to receive nominations from the floor, and to begin the election of officers.

To be placed into nomination for the 8 openings (7 for the Class of 2012, 1 unexpired term for the Class of 2010) for Elder are: Beth Allen, Sandy Bickett, Bill Brawley, Bob Campbell, Peggy Davidson, Linda Ervin, Bill Harris, Debbie Hyatt, Jim McDonnell, Trent Newell, Liz Rader, and Mike Toma.

To be placed into nomination for the 8 openings (7 for the Class of 2012, 1 unexpired term for the Class of 2010) for Deacon are: Tina Brooks,

Chris Creech, Cindy Hitchcock, Susan Kendall, Tim Malinovsky, Richard Nelson, Terry Skeen, and Amy Williams.

Information on each nominee will be mailed to every church family before the meeting for your prayerful consideration. Nominees from the floor are welcomed with the prior approval of the nominee.

Saints Alive Luncheon: The monthly Saints Alive luncheon (\$4) will be held this Tuesday, September 15, at 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Following lunch and devotions, the program will be presented by Margaret Sanders of our congregation. Margaret has recently published a book of her poems, *Roses...Bluebirds...and Expressions of Love*, and will share with the group about her journey to compile and publish the poems, as well as her discovery of watercolors that her late husband, Sam, had painted as illustrations for the poems. Come and enjoy warm fellowship, a delicious meal, and an interesting program. Bring a friend!

Catechism Club: Children in grades three through six are encouraged to attend Catechism Club, beginning tonight at 5:30 p.m. in Room 322. Information may be found in the church parlor. Please contact Ellen Auten to register.

Logos/Middle School Ministry (MSM): The 2009-2010 Logos/MSM year continues this Wednesday, September 16, at 4:00 p.m. This week’s theme is “Backwards Night.”

Calendar for September 13-20, 2009

Sunday:	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 3:00 p.m. - Prayer Shawl Ministry in the library 4:00 p.m. - Alpha PYF 5:00 p.m. - Omega PYF 5:00 p.m. - Diaconate 5:30 p.m. - Catechism Club 7:00 p.m. - Committee Meetings
Monday:	2:00 p.m. - Circle #1 in the parlor 6:15 p.m. - Circle #3 at the home of Kim Streb 6:15 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers 7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts 7:30 p.m. - Bible Study at the Coates’ home
Tuesday:	12:30 p.m. - Saints Alive luncheon in the fellowship hall
Wednesday:	11:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner 4:00 p.m. - Logos/MSM <i>Backwards Night</i> 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
Friday:	10:30 p.m. - PYF5 th Quarter
Sunday 9/20:	9:00 a.m. - Early Worship 10:00 a.m. - Church School 11:00 a.m. - Worship 4:00 p.m. - Alpha PYF 5:00 p.m. - Omega PYF