

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

8:30 & 11:00 AM

February 7, 2010

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PRELUDE "Largo in D Major" from the Guitar Sonata Antonio Vivaldi

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH
(Please sign the Welcome Pads at the end of each pew)

#MINUTE FOR MISSION – Constructores Para Cristo Charlie Gilchrest

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT (insert)
"Beauty for Ashes" Robert Manzano
The choir will sing the introit through first;
then everyone is invited to sing the introit on the repeat.

CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 61:1-3

LEADER: The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners;

PEOPLE: to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn;

ALL: to provide for those who mourn in Zion – to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

*HYMN #332 "Live Into Hope" *Truro*

*CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

Holy and eternal God, you have chosen us before the first light of creation, saved us in Jesus Christ, and abide with us in the Holy Spirit. You call us to be worthy of your call and promise to us. We confess this day we often fail at this call. We confess we fail to live together into all the fullness of a church. We confess that in our life together we still struggle with selfishness, impatience, fear and forgiveness. We confess we struggle in our life together to bear witness to the coming new age.
(Silent Confession)

Merciful God, you have forgiven us in Jesus Christ. May we believe that forgiveness, forgive ourselves, and forgive each other. Grant us the courage to live together in new ways, bearing witness to your coming kingdom. In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

#*CONFESSION RESPONSE "In All Our Grief" Dunstan & Anders
In all our grief and fear we turn to you. O God, you know all that we think or do. You know the pain we put each other through. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, grant us peace.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Ephesians 2:8-10
For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God – not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

*ASSURANCE RESPONSE #579 "Gloria Patri"

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Kay Elder

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Luke 4:16-30 (p. 56)

#ANTHEM "Hark, a Thrilling Voice Is Calling" arr. Roger Price
Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding. "Christ is nigh," it seems to say. "Cast away the works of darkness, O ye children of the day." Wakened by the solemn warning, let the earth-bound soul arise; Christ, her Sun, all sloth dispelling, shines upon the morning skies. Lo! The Lamb, so long expected, comes with pardon down from heaven; let us all, with tears of sorrow, pray that we may be forgiven; that when next he comes with glory, and the world is wrapped in fear, with his mercy he may shield us, and with words of love draw near. Yea, amen! Let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne; Savior, take the power and glory, claim the kingdom for thine own. Honor, glory, might, and blessing to the Father and the Son, with the everlasting Spirit, while eternal ages run. Amen.

#THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE YOUNGER DISCIPLES
(Children 0-4 years return to the nursery, and children grades K-5 are dismissed to "Children in Worship.")

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 4:1-6 (p. 179)

THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE OLDER DISCIPLES Dr. Hink
"The Call Revisited"

February 7th

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services

9:15 & 10:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Sunday School K-Adult	
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary

Monday, February 8

12:00 Noon	Mary/Martha Circle	Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	Personnel Team	Conference Room
7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #3	Scout Room

Wednesday, February 10

11:30 AM	Sweets for Our Sweet Seniors	Parlor
6:30 PM	Session Teams Meeting	

Thursday, February 11

10:30 AM	Program Staff Meeting	Conf. Room
2:30 PM	After School @ First	
6:00 PM	Handbell Practice	Room #206
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice	Room #303

Saturday, February 13

1:00 PM	College Club	Fellowship Hall
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February 14th

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services

Dr. Don Dawson preaching

9:15 & 10:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Sunday School K-Adult	
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
12:10 PM	Deacons Meeting	Room #206
3:00 PM	Jr. High Big Group to Avalanche Express	
5:30 PM	Sr High Small Groups	

#*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“May You Run and Not Be Weary”

Hanson & Murakami

May you run and not be weary. May your heart be filled with song. And may the love of God continue to give you hope and keep you strong. And may you run and not be weary. May your life be filled with joy! And may the road you travel always lead you home. (From Isaiah 40:31)

***POSTLUDE**

“Deo Gracias”

Gordon Young

The conclusion of worship, and the beginning of service.

*Please stand if you are able. #11:00 AM service only.

The flowers are in memory of

Donald A. Pettitt

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Ira (Betty Kile Molnar) Flamberg

United with FPC: June 25, 1939

Date of Death: January 25, 2010

WELCOME! It is our hope that no one feels like a stranger in this house of worship. May each of us be open to friendship and acceptance as God’s children.

IN THE NURSERY this morning our caregivers, Brenda Hall and Rosann Sauers, will care for our youngest believers.

CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5th, under the direction of Debbie Derrenbacher, Janis Benedict and Nina Joyner, will be dismissed to the “Children in Worship” program following the “Good News for Children.” Children can be picked up in Room #315 following worship. Children 0-4 years old are invited to participate in the nursery program.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – We are pleased to have Rev. Don Dawson, Director of the World Mission Initiative and the New Wilmington Missionary Conference, leading our combined Adult Sunday School class for the next three weeks. Don will be discussing the changing nature of the global Church seen through the eyes of mission today.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: At the conclusion of the 11 AM worship today, members of the youth group will be standing at the main exits of the Sanctuary with soup pots to collect money for the Community Food Warehouse in honor of the Souper Bowl of Caring. This program started with youth in a PC(USA) Church in Columbia SC in 1990 and has nationally grown since, raising \$10.3 million in 2009 to battle local hunger.

SENIOR HIGH COMMUNICANT'S CLASS: If you are in 9th – 12th grade and you are interested in becoming a member of First Presbyterian Church, please contact Aaron Christy by Sunday, February 7th, 2010. The class is an Action/Reflection learning model done with an adult mentor and is acclimated for busy teens. The class will start in February and run through early May.

SWEETS FOR THE SWEET SENIORS will be Wednesday, February 10th at 11:30 AM in the Parlor. Entertainment will be provided by Jim Elder. Please note the change in time for this event. Thanks.

REMINDER: The Mission, Discipleship and Membership, Worship and Administration teams meet this Wednesday, February 10, 6:30-8:00 PM. Nursery care is available.

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

10:00 AM – Coffee sponsored by Presbyterian Women. Speaker is Debbie Derrenbacher with the topic “Seeds of Faith.”

6:00 PM – Pancake and Sausage Supper sponsored by the Worship Team.

7:00 PM – Ash Wednesday Worship Service

Everyone is welcome to all three of these events.

PAIRS & SPARES is planning a night of music and dancing at Kuzman's Nightclub in Girard on Friday, February 19th. Tommy Chris will be playing his smooth jazz standards. Check out his website www.tommychris.com. The music starts at 8:00 PM and there is a \$4 cover charge. We will meet in the church parking lot at 7:30 to caravan and/or carpool...or you can just meet us over there (1025 South State Street, Girard, Ohio). RSVP to the church office and let us know if you'll be meeting at the church parking lot or at Kuzman's.

TODAY'S MUSIC: The congregational introit and the first hymn are based on the texts of the Call to Worship (Isaiah 61) and Luke 4. The hymn after the sermon is based on Ephesians 4:4-6.

PLAN TO ATTEND NOW: “A Big Picture of the Prophets.” Dr. Hink will be leading an overview of the Old Testament prophets during Lent (2/24, 3/3, 3/17 and 3/24), 6:30-8:00 PM. All church members and friends are welcome. The class is college seminar in style.

WHO MAKES THE BEST CHILI & SOUP? 4th Annual Chili Cook-Off is Sunday, March 7th at 5:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Please call the church office to register your chili and/or soup. In addition to our “Chili Champion,” this year we will also be crowning the first ever “Soup Champion.” Save this date and plan on taking part in this fun event for all ages.

HAITI RELIEF OFFERING – Two weeks ago we began our special offering for Haiti, and a total of \$3,300.40 has been collected. We will continue to collect this offering for the next few weeks. Please use the “bright green” envelopes for this collection, and make any checks out to the church. We will then send the total collected through the Presbytery to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, designated for “Haiti Relief”.

BACKPACK FOOD MISSION: There are a high number of hungry children in Sharon. We are beginning discussions with Case Elementary, the Community Food Warehouse, and Covenant Presbyterian Church to work together to address this need. If you would like to be part of a leadership team to get this mission “up and running: by fall 2010, come to an information and planning meeting on Thursday evening, February 18, 7 PM at FPC. Contact Dr. Hink with any questions.

THE OLDER ADULT MINISTRY has 15 tickets for the Westminster College Celebrity Series – “STEPCREW” – Saturday, March 27, 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$31.50. (These are balcony seats – the 2nd best seats in the house.) Dinner at The Tavern prior to the show. Bus will leave the church at 4:45. STEPCREW is a new international dance production. Reservations in the church office.

YEAR OF THE BIBLE: God provided for the children of Israel in the wilderness not only by giving them manna. What else did God give them for food? (Ex. 16:13) What does the eighth commandment prohibit? (Ex. 20:15) Judas agreed to betray Jesus for what amount of money? (Matt. 26:15) These questions are from the readings for Feb. 1-5.

DR. HINK'S SUPER BOWL PICK: Colts 28, Saints 24 (and some funny commercials).

The Nicene Creed

(This creed is the only one confessed by all the branches of the church: Roman Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant. It also reflects the emphasis on church unity and the trinity in the Ephesians text)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

“Your Hand, O God, Has Guided”

Words by Edward H. Plumptre – Public Domain
Tune: *Lancashire* (“Lead On, O King Eternal”)

Your hand, O God, has guided your flock from age to age;
Your faithfulness is written on history’s open page.
Our parents knew your goodness, and we their deeds record;
And both to this bear witness: one church, one faith, one Lord!

Your heralds brought the gospel to greatest and to least;
They summoned men and women to share the great King’s feast.
And this was all their teaching in every deed and word,
To all alike proclaiming: one church, one faith, one Lord!

Your mercy will not fail us nor leave your work undone;
With your right hand to help us the victory shall be won.
And then by earth and heaven your name shall be adored;
And this shall be our anthem: one church, one faith, one Lord!

Based on Ephesians 4:4-6