

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

8:30 & 11:00 AM

November 22, 2009

St. Andrew's Sunday

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PRELUDE 8:30 "St. Anthony Chorale" J. Haydn; arr. J. Brahms
11:00 "Abide with Me" "Be Still, My Soul" "Amazing Grace"
Marilyn Lloyd, Glenn Duncan, Tom Mason, Jamie Anderson

#THE PROCESSIONAL "Highland Cathedral"
The Pipers Marilyn Lloyd, Glenn Duncan & Tom Mason
The Drummer David Kiefer
The Scots Confession Banner Dan Getway
The Choir
The Bearer of the Bible Jim Wolf
The Clergy

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and EXPLANATION of
ST. ANDREW'S SUNDAY
(Please sign the Welcome Pads at the end of each pew.)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP (8:30 AM only)
(A brief moment of prayer and reflection in preparation for worship.)

#CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP
"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" *St. George's Windsor*
The words may be found in verse 1 of Hymn #551.

PRAYERS
*CONFESSION OF SIN (see insert) Book of Geneva 1556
*ASSURANCE OF PARDON
*THE COMMANDMENTS (see insert) Exodus 20:4-17
*HYMN #138 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" *Nicaea*
(2)

#CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Andrew Phillip Christy
Presentation/Questions/*Profession of Faith: Apostles' Creed (insert)/
Baptismal Prayer and Baptism/Welcome
Duet "The Prayer" Dion
Michalee Christy & Becky Lopuh; Carrie Thompson, piano

HEARING GOD'S WORD

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING (8:30 AM only) Isaiah 6:1-5 (p. 602)
"This is the Word of the Lord"/ "Thanks be to God."

#GOOD NEWS FOR THE YOUNGER DISCIPLES "The Sword Dance"
Kim Masone, Highland Dancer
*(Children 0-4 years return to the nursery, and children grades K-5 are dismissed to
"Children in Worship.")*

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING Revelation 4:1-11 (p. 225)
"This is the Word of the Lord"/ "Thanks be to God."

#THE ANTHEM "Psalm 150" Cesar Franck
Hallelujah! O praise ye the Lord, Praise God for His greatness. Praise ye the Lord in the
firmament of His power. Praise the Lord for His mighty acts, Praise the Lord according to His
wondrous works. Praise the Lord with the sound of the trumpet: Praise the Lord with the psaltery
and harp. Praise the Lord with the timbrel. Praise the Lord with the dance, Praise Him with the
organ and stringed instruments. Praise the Lord upon the loud cymbals, upon the high sounding
cymbals. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

*THE GOSPEL READING (8:30 AM only) Luke 2:8-14 (p. 53)
"This is the Word of the Lord"/ "Thanks be to God."

THE PSALM READING Psalm 150 (p. 557)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE OLDER DISCIPLES Dr. Hink
"The Last Word Is...Praise"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory "Highland Fling"
*Response #592 "Doxology" *Old Hundredth*
*Prayer of Dedication and **The Lord's Prayer**
"...sins, as we forgive those who sin against us..."

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:30 only- insert) The Scot's Confession, 1560, 3.16

*HYMN #457 "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" *Toulon*

*BENEDICTION

*#CHORAL RESPONSE "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" *St. George's Windsor*
The words may be found in verse 4 of Hymn #551.

*#RECESSIONAL "Scotland, the Brave"

*POSTLUDE "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" arr. Hugo Gehrke

The conclusion of worship, and the beginning of service.

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

The Sanctuary flowers are
In loving memory of my grandson, Brian Kuster
- Agnes Kuster

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO pipers Marilyn Lloyd, Glenn Duncan and Tom Mason, to drummer David Kiefer, and to our Highland dancer, Kim Masone, who are once again sharing their talent and helping us with our annual St. Andrew's Worship Service.

BAPTIZED TODAY is Andrew Phillip Christy, son of Aaron and Michalee Christy, and brother of Abby Christy.

THANK YOU to the Lopuh sisters (Carrie, Michalee & Becky) for their lovely music today in honor of Andrew's baptism. (4)

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"Real people, committed to Christ, living the Great Commandment"

November 22nd

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services
Dr. Hink preaching & Baptism
“St. Andrew’s Sunday”

8:30 AM	Worship	Chapel
9:15 & 10:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Sunday School K-Adult	
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303
10:30 AM	Children’s Choir Practice	3 rd Floor
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
12:10-1:30 PM	Youth Musical practice	Youth Coffee House
12:10 PM	Children’s Ministry Meeting	Room #206
2:30 PM	Shenango Valley Chorale “Messiah”	Sanctuary
5:30 PM	Jr. High Big Group “Turkey Bowl”/Sr. High Small Group	
7:00 PM	Session Meeting	Room #206

Monday, Nov. 23

7:00 PM Boy Scouts Scout Room

Wednesday, Nov. 25

7:00 AM Men’s Fellowship Breakfast Panera

Thursday, Nov. 26

CHURCH CLOSED

Friday, Nov. 27

12:00 Noon Church closes

November 29th

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services
Chrismon service & Baptism
First Sunday of Advent

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IN THE NURSERY this morning our caregivers, Brenda Hall, Stacy & Josh Cilas will care for our youngest believers.

CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5th, under the direction of Debbie Derrenbacher, Nina Joyner and Tracy Plyler, 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.

TODAY’S MUSIC: The anthem is based on Psalm 150. The last hymn was written by John Calvin and is a good ending to Dr. Hink’s Sunday School series on John Calvin. The responses have a Thanksgiving theme.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS are available today from the Ushers. Advent begins next Sunday, November 29th. This year the Advent Devotional booklet is based upon the writings of Swiss Reformer John Calvin. 2009 celebrates the 500th year of the birth of John Calvin.

CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING – The church will be closed all day on Thanksgiving and close at noon on Friday.

STEWARDSHIP – To date our stewardship response has been:

Operations: 116 pledges for \$140,073

Mission: 43 pledges for \$ 27,047

Thanks to all the FPC members who have turned in your Pledge Cards. If you have not yet returned your Pledge Card, it would be helpful if you could do so ASAP. Additional Pledge Cards are available in the church office. Our goal is to receive 180 pledges (or about 50% of the possible pledges.)

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTERS – Thank you to everyone who contacted the church office to read and light the Advent candles. The liturgies are available in the church office.

HANDEL’S MESSIAH – The Shenango Valley Chorale under the direction of Edgar Groves will once again present “Messiah” at FPC today at 2:30 PM. The annual holiday performance includes soloists, an instrumental ensemble, and a 75 voice choir. Admission is free and the concert is open to the public.

REMINDER: Children's Ministry Pizza Get Together immediately after church in Room #206.

THE ADVENT SEASON begins next Sunday. We will begin our Advent preparation with our "Chrismon Service" in both the 8:30 AM and the 11:00 AM worship services. This is a wonderful season to invite friends to worship.

"THE BIG PICTURE" – Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the final "Big Picture" Old Testament Bible Study by Dr. Hink will be December 2, and not November 25.

SPECIAL THANKS...to the many FPC folks who helped with the Presbybop jazz concert last Sunday evening. It was a wonderful evening, with about 140 church and community members in attendance. We hope to have Presbybop back next year.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY TEA will be Friday, December 4th from 1-3 PM at Living Word Church, 1109 East Street, Hermitage. The program "Angels" will be presented by Alyce Parrish. Please bring your favorite Angel(s) and a story to share. If anyone has sweat suits for "Sisters" or aprons for Guatemala please bring them to the celebration. We will share with those who are in need by supporting Joshua's Haven in Sharon and Unity House in Farrell. There is a wish list available in the church office.

BETHLEHEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH invites you to attend "Where Are You Christmas," a special worship service including music and drama on Sunday, December 6 at 2:00 PM. Reception following. Open to the public, free admission.

2010 MISSION YEARBOOKS OF PRAYER are available in the church office for \$5.50. Get your copy early.

LOST & FOUND ITEMS – Please call the church office if any of the following items belongs to you: Black cap with "Heavenly Lake Tahoe" emblem, green lunch tote, blue lunch tote, brown bracelet, gold costume beads. Thanks.

ADVENT TAIZE WORSHIP and prayer at Villa Maria, Tuesday evening, December 1st. The service begins at 7PM. If there's enough interest, Dr. Hink will drive the church bus over for those who want to attend the service (and maybe stop for dessert at Ruby Tuesdays on the way home). The church bus will leave at 6:15 PM. Contact the church office ASAP if you're interested in the bus ride.



ADVENT and CHRISTMAS @FIRST

November 29th – We will have our annual Chrismon service at both 8:30 and 11:00 during which the congregation decorates a tree with Chrismons.

December 6th – We will welcome the Westminster College Brass Ensemble to our 11:00 service. The ensemble will play Christmas music for the Prelude, Offertory, and Postlude, and will accompany the choir, directed by Ed Groves, on Glenn Rudolph's stirring anthem, "The Dream Isaiah Saw" which was written in the aftermath of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

December 13th – Our Children's Choir will sing during the 11:00 AM service. At 6:00 PM there will be a dinner, followed by a Christmas musical presented by our youth groups and directed by Michalee Christy.

December 20th – There will be just one service at 11:00 AM and it will be a "Celebration of the Arts" service, featuring music, art, poetry, and dance celebrating the Christmas season.

December 24th – We will have a family service at 7:00 PM, which will include a Christmas pageant involving our children. At 11:00 PM we will have a quiet, reflective service, which will include Communion.

You are invited to all of these worship services, and we encourage you to bring your friends and neighbors to celebrate Advent and Christmas @First.

CONFESSION OF SIN

O Eternal God and most merciful Father, we confess and acknowledge here before thy Divine Majesty, that we are miserable sinners, conceived and born in sin and iniquity, so that in us there is no goodness; for the flesh evermore rebelleth against the Spirit, whereby we continually transgress thy holy precepts and commandments, and so do purchase to ourselves, through thy just judgment, death and damnation. Notwithstanding, O heavenly Father, forasmuch as we are displeased with ourselves for the sins that we have committed against thee, and do unfeignedly repent us of the same, we most humbly beseech thee, for Jesus Christ's sake, to show thy mercy upon us, to forgive us all our sins, and to increase thy Holy Spirit in us, that we, acknowledging from the bottom of our hearts our own unrighteousness, may from henceforth not only mortify our sinful lust and affections, but also bring forth such fruits as may be agreeable to thy most blessed will. In the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

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.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE SCOT'S CONFESSION, 1560, 3.16 (selected)

(Note: "Kirk" is the Scottish word for "church." Also the original language of the Confession does not reflect current concerns of gender inclusion. The Confession has not been edited to reflect appropriate inclusion, but references to "men" should be understood as "all people.")

As we believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, so we firmly believe that from the beginning there has been, now is, and to the end of the world shall be, one Kirk, that is to say, one company and multitude of *men* chosen by God, who rightly worship and embrace *him* by true faith in Christ Jesus, who is the only Head of the Kirk, even as it is the body and spouse of Christ Jesus. This Kirk is catholic, that is universal, because it contains the chosen of all ages, of all realms, nations, and tongues, be they of the Jews or be they of the Gentiles, who have communion and society with God the Father, and with *his* Son, Christ Jesus, through the sanctification of *his* Holy Spirit. This Kirk is invisible, known only to God, who alone knows whom *he* has chosen, and includes both the chosen who are departed, the Kirk triumphant, those who yet live and fight against sin and Satan, and who shall live hereafter.

THE COMMANDMENTS

LEADER: By the grace of the Holy God, we are forgiven. How are we to live?

PEOPLE: **You shall have no other gods before me.**

LEADER: You shall not make for yourself an idol.

PEOPLE: **You shall not use the name of the Lord your God in vain.**

LEADER: Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy.

PEOPLE: **Honor your father and mother.**

LEADER: You shall not murder.

PEOPLE: **You shall not commit adultery.**

LEADER: You shall not steal.

PEOPLE: **You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**

LEADER: You shall not covet anything which belongs to your neighbor.

POINSETTIAS



Please complete the following Order Form if you wish to order poinsettia plants to be used in the Sanctuary on December 20th for \$7.50 per plant. Please make checks payable to “First Presbyterian Church” with the notation “Christmas Flowers” marked in the lower left hand corner. It will be most helpful if your check accompanies your order. Deadline for ordering is **December 6th** . Thank you.

I (We) wish to furnish _____ poinsettias.

IN MEMORY OF _____

Or

IN HONOR OF _____

Please plan to take your plant home after the December 20th service. Plants left will be delivered by the Deacons at their convenience to nursing homes. If you are able to deliver your flowers, please do so in order to assist everyone this busy holiday season.

I wish to take my plant after worship on December 20th.
(Circle one)

Yes _____ No _____

Signed: _____
(As you wish to appear in the bulletin)

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