

Assemble in God's Name

(As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship. Also, please turn off your cell phone.)

Tolling of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Liturgical Improvisation
George Oldroyd
Dr. Frank Contreras, Organist

Introit

Day by Day
Gordon Young
Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship

Leader: O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you.

People: My soul thirsts for you. My body longs for you.

Leader: I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your glory.

Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

**People: I will praise you as long as I live
and in your name I will lift up my hands.**

*Hymn 477

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim
HANOVER

Prayer of Confession

O Holy One, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present and boundless in love. Yet there are times, O God when we fail to recognize you in our daily lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small and we miss the chance to speak of your strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness and we degrade our own wisdom.

Holy God, remind us again of your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to see you in the moment. Encourage us to live honestly, to act courageously and to speak boldly in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Kyrie Eleison (Choir and Congregation)

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn 579

Gloria Patri
Hymnal Page 579

**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.**

Proclaim God's Word

First Lesson

Isaiah 55:1-9
Pew Bible Page 685
Reader, Rev. Stephens-Reed

Anthem

(See Insert) *How Can I Keep From Singing*
Chancel Choir
arr. Eric Nelson

Time for Young Disciples

At this time all children will be invited to come to the chancel steps. Children ages **KINDERGARTEN AND YOUNGER** are dismissed to the nursery. **FIRST GRADE AND UP** should remain in the sanctuary with parents.
Karen Madison

Second Lesson

John 3:16-21
Pew Bible Page 94

Sermon

The Life That You Have Been Dying For ...
Dr. Smith

Respond To God's Word

*Creed

The Apostles' Creed
Hymnal Page 14

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.

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

(Please pass the Friendship Folders at this time.)

Offertory

Morning Has Broken
HHS Girls Ensemble
arr. John Rutter
Chloe Crozier, Jacqueline Heard, Abby Rehfeld, Alyson Smith

*Offertory Response (Hymn 592)

*Praise God,
From Whom All Blessings Flow*
OLD HUNDREDTH

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn 513

Let Us Break Bread Together
LET US BREAK BREAD

**Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees);
Let us break bread together on our knees. (on our knees.)**

Refrain:

**When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)**

**Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our knees);
Let us drink wine together on our knees. (on our knees.)**

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table
Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer
Words of Institution
The Communion of the People

*Hymn 411

Arise, Your Light Is Come!
FESTAL SONG

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

God Be With You
Chancel Choir
Gordon Young

*Postlude

This Is The Feast of Victory
Dr. Frank Contreras, Organist
Richard Hillert

PRAYER AND CARE CONCERNS

(Names in bold type indicate new prayer concerns.)

Members

Corrine Fanning
Ernestine Roberson
Rev. Bill Bolton
Alex Gillies
Carsten Schroer
Tom Hudson
Lorraine Lilly
Doris Williams

Others

Natalie Bennett - UAHuntsville Campus Minister
Jean Brandau - Niece of Alice Gardner
Wayne Burton - Father of Emily Burton Verble
Jack Campbell - Uncle of Glenn Smith
Joy F. Daniel - Sister of Corinne Fanning and Lorinne Lilly
Abbey Davis - Friend of Ginna Siniard
Leo DeRosier - Friend of Melissa & Dag Rowe
Martha Doster - Sister-in-law of Lee Chandler
Watson Dufresne - Nephew of Sarah & Andy Watson
Kathy Fowler - Mother of Celeste Childs
Pat Hair - Friend of Tish & Morris Hammer
Helen Heffington - Sister of Rev. Lyndall Hamlett
Marc Huff - Friend of Melissa & Dag Rowe
Celia Hughes - Sister of Garrett Miller
Darrin Isbell - Friend of Mac Martinson
Jeremy Kieffer - Son-in-law of Janet Bozeman
Keith Krome - Friend of Pat Golley
Molly Lynn - Friend of George Kobler
Marguerite F. Martin - Sister of Corinne Fanning and Lorinne Lilly
Tom McLain - Son-in-law of Bill & Sydna Johnson
Mercedes Morgan - Granddaughter of Pat Kyser; niece of Jeff Kyser
Carley Robinson - Niece of Bill & Sydna Johnson
Bob Romer - Father of Craig Romer
Ricky Roundtree - Friend of Glen Adams
Lera Savage - Friend of Jan & Jack Connor
Hulan Smith - Friend of Kenneth & Lee Chandler
Elizabeth Towne - Cousin of Libby Brown
Betsy Garrison Vincent - Friend of Darren & Laura Malone
Dinah Williams - Daughter of Billie & Ira Jones
Dianna & Ray Woolridge - Friend of Judy Smith

Names on the Prayer and Concerns list will be removed after six weeks. Please call the church office if you have new requests or need to add names back on for another six weeks. You may also e-mail Brenda with your requests at bengelking@hsv1pres.org.

Specialty Care

Annabell Aust - Regency Village
Corinne Fanning - Cogburn Rehab
Alex Gillies - Whitesburg Garden
Taylor Hamilton - Floyd E. Tut Fann Veterans Home
Edna Hitt - Brookdale Place
Doris Landrum - Carlton Cove Carrington Cottage
Dieter Grau - Regency Village
Marilyn Milner - Cogburn Nursing Home
Bernice Peterson - Harbor Chase Nursing Home, Tallahassee, Florida
Ray Rose - Big Spring Manor

Serving in Military

CPT Matthew Fahrner
LTC Mark Alberici (Chaplain) - Afghanistan
Sgt. Alan McClendon - Iraq

Missions

Big Cove Presbyterian Church - Partnership
St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, Johannesburg, S. Africa - Partnership

TO ADD NAMES TO THE PRAYER AND CARE LIST, please call the church office and speak with Brenda Engelking, ext. 32, or use the Prayer and Care page by printing your prayer request and placing it in the offering plate. If you know of someone who is in the hospital or need to inform the church of a death in your family, please call Brenda at the church, ext. 32. Thank you.

CCLI # 1345744

WELCOME VISITORS

The Session and congregation welcome you as a participant in worship. We pray that you will find this service meaningful. Worship is but one of the ministries of First Presbyterian Church.

PLEASE REMEMBER to turn off cell phones and pagers.

PLEASE SIGN IN: Both members and visitors are asked to "sign in" each Sunday on the friendship folders passed down the pews during the offering. This is our only record of your attendance.

Looking for a church home?

You may talk to Dr. Mueller or an elder standing in front of the sanctuary following the 10:30 a.m. worship. A Stephen Minister, Emily Butler, is also available in the chancel following the worship service for prayer or to answer questions about the church.

The flowers in the Sanctuary and the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in honor of Elizabeth Jane Gaskins and Frederick Keith Meigs' wedding on Saturday, March 6.

If you would like to dedicate flowers in the Sanctuary windows on Easter Sunday in honor or memory of someone. Please fill out a form and send it to kellijackson along with your check for \$40.

LOGOS THEME FOR THIS WEEK
St. Patrick's Day-Wear Green

CATCH A BUTTERFLY

Following our annual tradition the adults and youth (9th-12th grade) will be praying for our children (birth-8th grade) throughout Lent. Please catch a butterfly in the fellowship hall and pray for your FPC child/children each day throughout Lent.

Mission and a Movie

K - 5th grade are invited to come on Friday, **March 26th**, from 5:00 until 7:30. Our service project will be making cookies for Kairos. We will also be serving pizza with our movie. Please sign up on the bulletin board.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at both the 8:30 and 10:30 worship services today.

WE WELCOME
THE REV. DR. ALEXA SMITH
AS OUR GUEST PREACHER TODAY.

Alexa is a journalist who has covered the intersection of politics and religion for the past 15 years and is published in national magazines. She is an associate in the Presbyterian Church (USA) Hunger Program and coordinates the U.S. arm of the Joining Hands Network, an advocacy coalition within the denomination.

She is a Presbyterian minister and holds a doctor of ministry in marriage and family therapy. She serves small parishes in rural Indiana as a member of the Ohio Valley Presbytery. Alexa has a journalism degree from West Virginia University and earned her theological degrees at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, graduating in 1989 and 1993, respectively.

She grew up in the coal fields of western Maryland and her grandparents came to the United States from Northern Ireland, but were of differing religious and political backgrounds.

Thanks to the Girls Ensemble for special music in both services today. These girls are members of First Presbyterian Church and are involved in the choral program at Huntsville High School under the leadership of Sherry Smith, Choral Director.

"Give me **FREE WILL** or give me death!" How does individual choice jive with Calvinist principles of **PREDESTINATION**? To consider this important and fascinating question, both visitors and potential new class members are invited to join the **WILSON-CHAPMAN CLASS** for a series of four or five lessons in Room 112 at 9:30 a.m. beginning March 7 which will be moderated by John Newton, Glenn Smith, David Baer-Peckham, and Dag Rowe.

The Installation of
Rev. Toby Mueller
As Pastor of
Trinity Presbyterian Church
1:30 p.m.
TODAY-March 7
Everyone is invited!
Reception to follow!

This week's calendar!

SUNDAY, March 7
Communion 8:30 & 10:30 Worship
8:30 a.m.- Worship in GBH
9:15 a.m.- Sunday School
10:30 a.m.- Worship in Sanctuary
1:30 p.m.- Installation of Rev. Toby Mueller
5:00 p.m.- Westminster Ringers
3:00 p.m.- Love & Respect Marriage Program
6:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE I
6:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE II (2 groups)
6:00 p.m.- Presbyterian Youth Connection

MONDAY, March 8
9:30 a.m.- DISCIPLE IV
10:00 a.m.- PW Circle 1 @ the home of Billie Jones, 401 Quietdale
10:00 a.m.- PW Circle 2 @ at the home of Joanne Horn, 11 Old Chimney Rd.
1:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE IV
3:15 p.m.- PW Circle 3 will meet in the Church Library
6:30 p.m.- PW Circle 4 will meet at the Carriage House
7:00 p.m.- Stephen Ministry Class

TUESDAY, March 9
9:00 a.m.- DISCIPLE II
5:30 p.m.- Session
6:30 p.m.- Huntsville Master Chorale

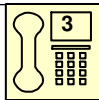
WEDNESDAY, March 10
7:00 a.m.- Youth/College Bible Study
7:00 a.m.- Fellows Pursuing Christ
9:45 a.m.- Ladies Bible Study
1:30 p.m.- DISCIPLE I
1:30 p.m.- Ladies Knitting Mission
3:45 p.m.- LOGOS
7:15 p.m.- Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, March 11
11:45 a.m.- LOGOS Board Meeting
6:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE IV

SUNDAY, March 14
Daylight Savings Time Begins
Elizabeth Watson Baptism
8:30 a.m.- Worship in GBH
9:15 a.m.- Sunday School
10:30 a.m.- Worship in Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.- Westminster Ringers
5:00 p.m.- Spirit Come Worship Service
6:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE I
6:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE II (2 groups)
NO Presbyterian Youth Connection Today

CONGREGATIONAL CARE
UPDATES

can be heard by calling the church and then pressing 3.



Audio of Sunday Sermons is now available on the web page. Go to the home page (www.hsv1pres.org) and click on Worship then Sermons and then click on the Sermon you wish to hear. Hard Copies are available on the rack in the fellowship hall.

CALLED INTO THE WORLD

Habitat for Humanity is planning a conventional (6-8 weeks) house build in April/May. Please consider participating as one of your spring activities. Work opportunities include construction, meals, cleanup, and yard preparation. Watch here for upcoming information or contact DeWitt Westrope at 536-6819.

The South Africans Are Coming!
September 3 - 17!

Each congregation in the North Alabama Presbytery is encouraged to get involved, develop relationships, and experience a bit of African culture and traditions through worship and a grand celebration of our ten years of partnership! Don't miss the opportunity to get involved by attending the Organizational Meeting for the South African Team Visit **TODAY, Feb. 28, at 4:00 pm - Grace Presbyterian Church, 5555 Wall Triana Hwy in Madison.**



THURSDAY, MARCH 18, the **GOODTIMERS** will head to Decatur for a day of science, food, shopping, and culture! We'll leave the church at 9:30 am and take in the wonders of the created world at Cook's Natural Science Museum, eat championship barbeque at Big Bob Gibson's, shop on Bank Street, and tour the historic Princess Theatre. We'll return by 3:30 pm, and the only cost is dutch-treat lunch. Please sign up on the bulletin board.

MARCH MEMORY VERSE

*Let the words of my mouth
and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable to you,
O Lord, my rock and my
redeemer.*
Psalms 19:14

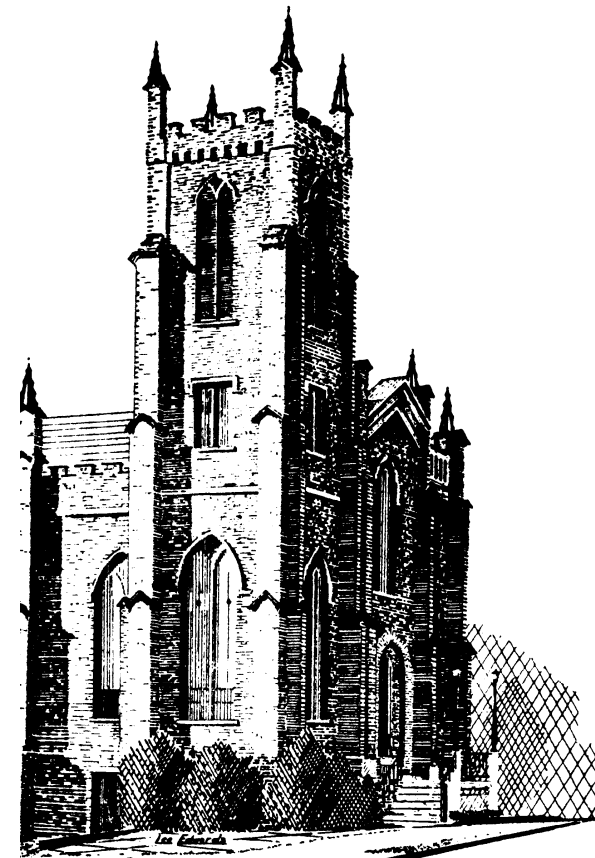
MINISTRY TEAM

Dr. Mark Mueller, Pastor
Rev. Laura Stephens-Reed, Pastoral Associate
Linda McAllister, Interim Director of Music
Karen Madison, Director of Children's Ministries
Bill Fowler, Interim Director of Youth Ministries
Dr. Frank Contreras, Organist
Janice Crowson, Business Administrator
Brenda Engelking, Pastor/Church Sec.
Peggy Collins, Bookkeeper
Krystin Rowe, Receptionist/Secretary
Linda Howard, Preschool Director
Laviter Miller, Nursery Coordinator
Quentin Fitzpatrick, Sexton
Mary Stone, Sexton

In case of emergency please contact Dr. Mueller at 256-425-3152.

First Presbyterian Church

Founded June 15, 1818



THE SERVICE
FOR THE
LORD'S DAY

Third Sunday
In Lent
March 7, 2010
10:30 a.m.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Drawn into community,
nurtured by God's Word,
called into the world.

(The worship service is broadcast over WLOR AM 1550 or FM 98.1)

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the Presbyterian Church (USA)
and a Stephen Ministry Congregation