

All Saints Sunday and Communion

November 4, 2012

8:30 & 11:00

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING

This is the day the Lord has made; Psalm 118:24
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

* CALL TO WORSHIP

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robes in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying:

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!

* HYMN #415 "Come, Labor On"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are often indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid.

In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may together inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Now hear our silent, personal prayers and confessions...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

A LITANY FOR ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY (see insert)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THANKSGIVING LIGHTING OF MEMORIAL CANDLES

(Please come forward, one candle per family. Light your candle from the Christ candles on the table, and give to one of the Worship attendants who will place it in the sand bed.)

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Rev. 7:9-15

ANTHEM (11:00) "Sine Nomine" arr. Earl Rosenberg

"For all the saints who from their labors rest.

Who Thee by faith before the world confessed.

Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia!"

ORGAN INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Heb. 11:1-12:2 selections

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Thanksgiving for Those Who Paved the Way for Us"

"Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith." (Hebrews 12:1-2)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN #555 (verses 1 & 2) "Now Thank We All Our God"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP Lowe-Haase-Ellis Family

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory "Pie Jesu" Andrew Lloyd Webber

Katie & Janet Haase

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy ... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

"Hosanna in the highest!"

That ancient song we sing,

for Christ is our Redeemer,

the Lord of heaven our King.

O may we ever praise Him

with heart and life and voice,

And in His blissful presence eternally rejoice.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN #228 "O Thou, My Soul, Return in Peace"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

* POSTLUDE

WORSHIP NOTES

Jane Wallace is the Elder of the Day.

Maggie Brown is the liturgist.

Today, we remember those members of First Presbyterian Church who have died since November 2011: Cynthia Marks, Pat Hamilton, Richard Marshall, Roy Ambrester, Jeff Dishongh, Christine Askew, Shirley Vance, Sally Hamilton, Sylvia Atkins, Louise Snider, John Telford, Margaret Ackley.

The flowers this morning are to the Glory of God and in loving memory of *Patsy Trotter* (March 19, 1949-November 2, 2007), given by her family.

Next Sunday, Pastor Dave's message will be The Purifying Effect of Thanksgiving from Phil. 4:4-8 and Luke 18:18-27. Vicki Wallace and Julie Semsick will offer the Moment for Stewardship. 2nd Sun. Luncheon will follow 11:00 worship.

‡ Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of your pew. Write prayer concerns and/or notes to the church office on pew cards and place in offering plate.

* If you are able, please stand.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Sunday, November 4

We will not have Children's Worship today so that children may share the Sacrament of Holy Communion with their families. Age 4 - K may go to the nursery.
4-6:00 pm Senior High & Middle School Youth meet @ AOC.

Monday, November 5

7:00 am Men's Breakfast at Shoney's on the corner of N. 2nd and Kraft St.). All men, all ages are invited!
9:15 am Hannah Circle meets (childcare is provided).
5:30 pm Theology on Tap meeting.

Tuesday, November 6

10:00 am PW Morning Circle meets.
5:30 pm Yoga class in the fellowship hall.

Wednesday, November 7

9:00 am Prayer for the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) in the parlor. Please pray for our (PNC) to make the correct decisions. Prayer could be at home or join with others Wednesdays at 9 am in the parlor.
5:30 pm Supper in the fellowship hall followed by the Wed. Night Studies at 6 pm (see back of bulletin).
10:00 am Bible Study in the church library -please join us.
7:30 pm Senior Highs meet at Arby's on Madison Street. Please bring money for a dessert & drink.

Friday, November 9

6-11 pm Middle School & Senior High Youth Game Night @ the AOC. Bring money for a fast-food dinner.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2nd Sunday Luncheon, Nov. 11, will feature warm fellowship, an Italian-themed meal, and stories from two members whose lives have been touched by some aspect of the church's ministry. Pledge cards will be passed out. Menu: red-sauce and white-sauce Lasagnas, Spaghetti, Chicken Alfredo, garlic bread, fresh tossed salad, Italian Crème Cake, iced tea, lemonade, coffee. FUEL donations will be collected alongside the 2nd Sunday lunch donations. As we donate for our own meals, let us be mindful of children who may go hungry in our community.

Stewardship Sunday, Nov. 18 - a reflection of stewardship will be offered by one of our church members; pledge cards will be collected at offering time during worship.

The Children's Choir will be performing "The Messiah for Young Voices" on Dec. 9 during Sunday School time and everyone is invited. Janet Haase & Liz Thomas will be directing. Rehearsals are during the Wed. Night Studies.

Photo Make-ups -We must have at least 25 families to have a makeup day. Call Maggie or Neesa in the church office to schedule from 12 noon- 5pm on December 15.

Advent Booklet - the Communications Committee is compiling information to go in the Advent Booklet. All small groups, committees, and Sunday School classes should submit Advent activities they are planning to the church office, ASAP.

Please pray for our Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) to make the correct decisions. Prayer could be at home or join to listen or pray with others Wed. 9-9:30 am in the library.

ESP Trip on Nov. 17 to Patty's for lunch & the musical, "Variety Christmas Spectacular". Signup on the ESP board.
Ten Thousand Villages will be bringing their beautiful jewelry, crafts, Christmas décor and other artisan items from around the world to our fellowship hall on Sunday, Nov. 18 from 9 am-1pm. Plan to do some Christmas shopping and support fair trade while you shop. Invite your friends - the sale is open to the community.

The Angel Tree (sponsored by the Salvation Army) will be located outside the church office by Nov. 18. Angel tags with names of children and parents along with ages, sizes, etc. will be on the tree. You are encouraged to select an angel tag and purchase a gift. Please return the gift Unwrapped and labeled with the original angel tag by Dec. 9. A group will be wrapping Tues. Dec. 11.

Volunteers are needed to help in the nursery to hold and rock babies. A volunteer is also needed to help with childcare for the Mon. PW Deborah Circle, from 10:30 am - 12pm on the 2nd & 4th Mondays each month. If you are able to help out, please contact Maggie Brown, 645-6551.



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WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER & STUDIES

"The Ripple Effect of Christian Community"

Oct. 17 & 24; Nov. 7 & 14

5:30 pm supper, 6-6:55 pm presentation
and discussion in the fellowship hall

Oct.17: We Need Each Other (I Corinthians 12)

Oct. 24: The Inclusive Community: kids & adults, rich and poor (Philemon)

Oct. 31: No gathering so families can manage Halloween

Nov. 7: A Different Kind of Love in Christian Community
(John 13:1-17; Mark 5:21-43)

Nov. 14: A Community That Cares for the Poor &
Outcaste (Matthew 25:31-46)

Childcare is provided. Suggested meal donation: \$5 for adults, \$3 ages 4-12, 3 & younger free. No more than \$12 per family.

*With Christ as our Savior and Guide,
We seek to know God's love and share it
With each other, our community and the world.
We invite you to join us in this journey
of discipleship!*

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