

Worship for the Lord's Day

February 15, 2009
10:00 AM

*An asterisk * indicates standing, as you are able.
The congregation's responses are in **bold italics**.*

The Church is Gathered

Welcome The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Announcements Please see the bulletin insert for all announcements.

Prelude *Jesus, Word of God Incarnate* W. Mozart

In order to prepare for worship, you are invited to pray silently during the prelude.

Choral Introit *O Praise God in His Holiness* Ed. Martens

To Praise God's Name

Call to Worship

God calls us out of the rush and confusion of each day to spend some time in meditation and contemplation on spiritual matters.

We need that time away to rediscover the center of our existence and to focus on issues that are important to our spiritual growth.

God calls us into a fellowship of believers where we can find acceptance in spite of our differences and varying outlooks on life.

We need each other and the love and acceptance that we provide for it reflects the love and acceptance which we have found in Christ.

God calls us into deeper levels of ministry as we seek to do His will, discovering new and wonderful ways to touch others with Christ's Love.

We need to be involved in the process of bringing God's Kingdom to life as we worship and minister together in the name of Jesus Christ.

God calls us to be His disciples.

We are Your disciples, Lord. Amen!

* **Hymn** *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* Hymnal #483

Unison Prayer of Confession

From the depths of our hearts we call upon You O God, for we have not lived up to the calling that we have as followers of Jesus Christ. We have placed too much importance on the things of this world and have built castles that can be destroyed by fire and earthquake. We have put too much stock in our positions and the prestige that comes from this world's social standings. We have forgotten that Christ emptied himself of all these things for our sakes. Forgive our shortcomings and prepare us for a new life of service which mimics the service which Christ modeled for us. We pray in his name. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

* **Song of Praise** *Gloria Patri* Hymnal #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.

Response Forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ. **Thanks be to God!**

Choral Anthem *Brother James' Air* Gordon Jacob

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of our Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

As our Passing of the Peace ends, all children through fifth grade are invited to depart for Children's Church.

To Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading *Judges 6:1, 11-15, 33-40* p.213

New Testament Reading *Titus 1:1-9* p.1041

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *Called to be an Elder*

To Thank God

* **Hymn** *We All Are One in Mission* **Hymnal #435**

* **Profession of Faith** *Apostles' Creed* **Hymnal p.14**

Prayers of the People · The Lord's Prayer

Offering *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* K. Thomerson

During the offertory, you are invited to offer silent prayers of gratitude.

* **Song of Thanksgiving** *Doxology* **Hymnal #592**

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**

To Depart to Serve God

* **Hymn** *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* **Hymnal #343**

* **Charge and Benediction**

* **Congregational Amen** **Supplement #2280**

Postlude *Praise Our God* John W. Peterson

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Next Week's Sermon

“The Challenges and Joys of being an Elder”

Psalm 50:1-6; Acts 20:13-36; I Peter 5:1-11

Once we have examined some of the qualifications of becoming an Elder, we need to take a long hard look at what is entailed in being an Elder. What are our duties and responsibilities according to scripture. Thanks again to Paul and his words recorded in The book of Acts and in I Peter we have some strong hints of what we need to be about as Elders. But really, are these not things all Christians should be about?

Joys and Concerns for Prayer 2/15/09

- Billy Robertson for health concern.
- The Mission Study Task Force Team
- Help to grow in the grace and knowledge of God, and to share the Good News with others this year.
- Those who are lonely and those in need
- Financial uncertainty
- Pastor Bob Button and his ministries
- The session and the staff
- Health (Gary Alley, Mike Barker, Dave Campe, Annie Crabtree, Tim Coleman, Eula Dillon, Dianne Emmett, Tim Fenn, Steve Graham, Jim Hankins, Elizabeth Hawkins, John Hawkins, Hannah Johnson, Ralph Liebchen, Betty Sue Moehlenkamp, Darnell Moorman, Bob and Ellen Ragsdale, John Trotti*, Heath Tuttle, Margaret Young) *His newsletter is posted on the bulletin board.
- Leaders in the town, county, state, country and world.
- Military and their family (Jeremy Larkin, Grant Martin, Joshua Wright)
- Our church mission projects.
- John and Beth Muehleisen in Kenya/Uganda (Their newsletters are posted on the bulletin board.)
- John Farmer with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at UNC.
- Residents in retirement homes and residential care (Thelma Blanchard, Tom Chappelle, Francis Harvey, Ruth Knight, Wilmoth McClelland, Martin Strebel)

People to Contact at APC

Session (Active Elders)

Ron Coleman
Ministry Beyond the Congregation

Kelly deBernard
Ministry Within the Congregation

Rob Gilliam
Ministry Support

Sang-il Lee
Prayer & Visitation

Anne Mabry
*Worship & Discipleship,
Nominating Committee*

Jennifer McCrickard
*Ministry Within the Congregation,
Visitation*

Stephanie Moehlenkamp
Worship & Discipleship

Caroline Peerman
Home Communion & Pulpit Supplies

Chip Roark
*Visitation, New Membership,
Presbyterian Men*

John Tucker
Visitation & Nominating Committee

Mark Younkin
Ministry Beyond the Congregation

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