

Music in This Morning's Worship Service
I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with the understanding also.
(1 Corinthians 14:15)

This Morning's Hymns:

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise was written by W. Chalmers Smith. It is based on 1 Timothy 1:17.

To the King of the ages,
immortal, invisible, the only wise God
be honor and glory forever and ever.

It is essentially a hymn of praise to God as creator of the universe: The invisible God whose works in nature proclaim divine glory and majesty, God's goodness and love. Special emphasis is given to *light*. God is said to dwell "in light inaccessible." God works "silent as light," and in the final stanza "ruler in light," – a light before which the angels veil their faces. Sometimes our failure to perceive God's presence is not due to the lack of divine illumination but rather the overpowering brilliance of it: "Tis only the splendor of the light hideth thee."

Live Into Hope was written as a reflection on Luke 4:16-20. In this passage Jesus announces his ministry by reading from Isaiah's proclamation of God's earthly kingdom. "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...to bring good news to the poor...release to the captives...sight to the blind and to let the oppressed go free." Lives lived in the light of these ministries manifest the Kingdom of God. The hymn was written by Jane Parker Huber. Born in China as the child of Presbyterian missionaries, the author spent most of her childhood years on the campus of Hanover College where her father was president. Ms. Parker Huber still resides in that area and is active in the national office of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples of the Lord was written in 1985 by Rev. H. Kenn Carmichael for The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Stewardship campaign which was entitled *Called to be Disciples*. The hymn reminds us that the development of spiritual disciplines is not simply a matter of refraining from old habits. It also is a matter of discerning and practicing new ones – that is the meaning of discipleship. We are not to simply *lay down swords*. We are to *beat them into plowshares*. We are called to a life of healing, love and peace; a discipleship of service. Before entering the ministry, Carmichael was head of the theater department at Purdue University. Following ordination he served pastorates in Indiana and California.

This Morning's Anthem:

I Will Sing With the Spirit

Text: 1 Corinthians 14:15

Music: John Rutter

I will sing with the spirit,
Alleluia!
And I will sing with the understanding also:
Alleluia!

This Week at First Presbyterian

Today

8:00 a.m. Neighborhood Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal
8:45 a.m. Child Care

9:30 a.m. Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Pipe
7:00 p.m. Post Party at the Park

Monday, September 7

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8

7:00 a.m. Renovare
8:30 a.m. Devotional Staff Meeting
9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
1:30 p.m. Grief Support

4:00 p.m. Congregational Care Team Meeting
4:30 p.m. MFA Team Meeting
6:00 p.m. Health Council
6:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, September 9

8:00 a.m. Renovare
9:00 a.m. Flint Comm. School Head Start

11:30 a.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Thursday, September 10

11:30 a.m. Downtown Kiwanis Club
5:00 p.m. Finance Team Meeting

7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 11

11:30 a.m. Narcotics Anonymous

4:00 p.m. Brass/Organ Rehearsal

Saturday, September 12

8:30 a.m. Salem Housing

9:00 a.m. FPCF Work Day

We Welcome All Who Are Visiting First Presbyterian Today!

We invite you to join us in the ministries of worship, nurture, and service. Please do not leave today without greeting the members of the congregation and the pastors. Please sign one of the guest forms located in each pew with your address and telephone number and stop by the Welcome Desk to receive a gift.

Ministers,
Members of First Presbyterian Church
Senior Pastor,
John L. Musgrave
Associate Pastor,
Paul Ytterock
Commissioned Lay Pastor,
Steve Baillie
Director of Business Administration,
James B. Hagan
Director of Children's Ministry,
Jaime Powell
Director of Gerholz Counseling Center,
Andy Armstrong
Director of Music and Fine Arts,
Mark Riddles

Director of Women's Ministry,
Kim Skaff
Director of Youth Ministry,
Jim Pope
Building/Kitchen Manager,
Greg Kelly
Community Ministry,
Lisa Horne
Congregational Care Specialist,
Lee Doll
Gerholz Staff Counselor,
Jerry Walden
Organist,
Brenda Portman
Parish Nurse,
Frankie Bonner



Faith is the beginning of a new life. Life means growth—and development toward a final complete maturity and perfection.

What is this finished perfection for the Christian?
The full manifestation of Christ in our lives.

What does this mean?

It means the full revelation *in us* of the great mystery of God's love for the world in his plan to "re-establish all things in Christ" (Eph. 1:9-10). God's mercy must be revealed *in us*. Christ must shine forth with all his glory *in us*, his members. It must become fully evident that his charity has made us truly one in him.

~ Thomas Merton (*Life and Holiness*)

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 6th, 2009 9:30 a.m.

The Worship of Our Lord Jesus Christ

The Gathering of the People of God

We gather, knowing God is with us.

We bring the Bible, Chalice, and Water as visible evidence of God's self-giving.

Call to Meditation and Preparation Paul Ytterrock

*Prelude Sonata all' Elevazione Martini
Brenda Portman, organist
Silently prepare your hearts for worship at the first note of the prelude.

Announcements

*Call to Worship
Be rich in faith, says the God who gives us life.
We trust in God, who is faithful to us.
Be strong in spirit, says the God who carries us through life.
We trust in God, who surrounds us with love.
Be generous to one another, says the God of abundant grace.
We trust in God, who is the giver of every gift.
Be steadfast in your lives, says the God of wisdom.
We trust in God, who endures forever.

*Processional Hymn 263 Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise ST. DENIO
Acolyte: Morgan Otero, 6th Grade

Call to Confession and Corporate Prayer of Confession Steve Baillie
Jesus, you taught us to love our neighbor as ourselves.
We admit that we often think we are better than others.
We tease people who wear old clothes.
We ignore people who live in run-down neighborhoods.
We boast about our accomplishments.
We even say unkind things about others
so that they look worse and we look better.
Jesus, forgive us and teach us again.
Help us to be kind to others, as you want us to be. (Silent Confession)

Kyrie (Congregation and Choir)



Lord, have mercy up-on us. Christ, have mercy up-on us. Lord have mer-cy upon us.

Assurance of God's Grace:

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri
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.

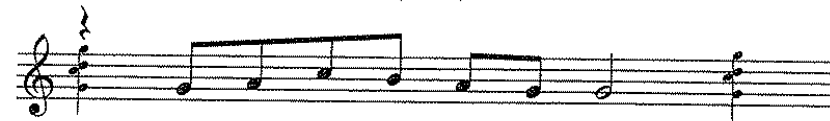
†Late arrivals may be seated

The Service of the Word

Prayer for Illumination Anne Baldwin

Old Testament Reading Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 (Pew Bibles pg. 570 O.T.)

Psalm 146



Come, O Lord, and save us.

Epistle Reading James 2:1-10, 14-17 (Pew Bibles pg. 215-216 N.T.)

Congregational Response:



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Al -



le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

(The children may come forward)

Children's Message

*Hymn 332 Live Into Hope TRURO
(The children may return to their seats)

Gospel Reading Mark 7:24-37 (Pew Bibles pg. 40, N.T.)

Anthem I Will Sing With the Spirit Rutter
The Summer Choir

Sermon Paul Ytterrock

*Affirmation of Faith: The 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.

*Passing of the Peace of God
(You may extend the hand of peace or cross your chest as a sign of blessing.)

Offertory Sentence

*Doxology
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

*Offertory Prayer

Offertory Father In Heaven Doun
Tom Minshall, baritone
Pat Minshall, accompanist

Prayers of the People, Thanksgiving, and the Lord's Prayer
Those hospitalized this past week were: Roy Prince, Nelda Rawlings and
Kelsoe Schadle.
Those in the military, world and national leaders, the church, and
those distressed by natural and human disasters.

The Sending

*Closing Hymn 434 Today We All Are Called KINGSFOLD
To Be Disciples of the Lord

*Benediction and Response

Postlude Praeludium in G Bach

PERSONAL PRAYER

Personal prayer is available in the Prayer Room on the first floor after the
service of worship. Elder Vi Maynard will assist after the service.

THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of Philip E. Gage by Ruth, Philip and Paul.
In loving memory of Dr. Andrew E. Lobban by his wife, Kathryn.
In loving memory of Mildred and William Kerr by their daughter, Isabelle
Kruchten, and her family.

Donations to the Flower Memorial Fund are used to maintain fresh ar-
rangements for the urns in the Sanctuary and for the fresh-cut arrange-
ments used on the Fellowship Tables in the Narthex. The fresh-cut ar-
rangements are delivered each week by the Deacons to shut-ins and
church members celebrating their birthday.

~ * Indicates where those who are able may stand.

~ Child care for infants through preschool is available on the second floor.

~ Hearing aids are available, please see an usher.

You may place an order for a CD of the whole service at the Welcome Desk for
\$3.00 Or Visit our website to hear the radio sermon podcast.