

# First Presbyterian Church in Worship

800 N. Main Street, South Boston, Virginia

Eleven O'clock Worship

August 22, 2010

Meditation words: dressed...ready...treasure...heart

Greeting /Announcements

Worship Leader Mike Koch

## WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Prelude

Gathering Hymn

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

Blue Hymnal Hymn 447

**Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come;  
Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home:  
Through days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong,  
And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.**

\*Salutation and Call to Worship

Worship Leader

Leader: Welcome to worship, all who come to experience the living God!

**People: May Jesus Christ be praised!**

Leader: God has been our hope since our youth.

**People: He has brought us forth from our mother's womb.**

Leader: God is ready to straighten us up...

**People: From the difficulties which bend us over.**

Leader: God has power over evil and darkness...

**People: And brings holiness and light.**

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*Hymn

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

(vs. 2, 3)

Hymn 447

Leader: May the Lord be with you!

**People: And also with you!**

Leader: Let us pray the unison prayer of thanksgiving.

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving: **We give You thanks, God of First Presbyterian Church and of Jerusalem, that You stand ready to bring healing and hope to all who turn toward heaven. For faith which has been there since childhood, for faith which began in recent memory, and for faith which may even arrive today, we are grateful. For words which give life, actions which bring comfort and grace, and thoughts which move us toward eternal life, we are so glad. As we worship today, may showers of blessing come our way and flood the streets of our land. In fact, make us and countless others able to see that land and streets and possessions and trees are Yours, and are loaned to us for our lifetimes. Make us keepers of the Sabbath in all the ways You intend. Indeed, make every day holy and us the healed, who give You honor and praise every day. In Jesus' name, we pray.**

\*Silent Confession of Sin and Amen

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*The Gloria Patri

Walks with Jesus

Hymn 579

Linda Lumsden

Children (K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade) exit for Children's Church

First Scripture Reading Psalm 71:1-6 (p. 567)

Worship Leader

Prayers of the People (see list below) and The Lord's Prayer

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\*Hymn

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Hymn 306

Offertory

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings & Doxology

Hymn 592

\*The Affirmation of Faith and the Apostles' Creed

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\*Prayer

## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 13:10-17

p. 1011

Anthem

Sermon

**"Straightening Up"**

Rev. Russell Lee

Prayer

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Hymn

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

Hymn 357

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Response

"Aaron's Blessing"

Kenneth Cranford

Postlude

\*Congregation Standing

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### Directives for Prayer:

Peggy Fuller, shut-in

C.W. & Leslie Bing, Zambia

Education

† **We welcome our visitors, invite them to join in our Christian journey if God so leads, and ask them to fill out a bright yellow visitor card located in the pew rack.**

† **Listening devices are available from the audio support person at the rear of the sanctuary. Large print hymnals are located on the ends of the front pew (please return after worship).**

† Ushers serving are \*Deborah and Jim Sizemore at the South door, and Kathy Farley and Ronnie Crabtree at the North door. Usher for the 9 am service is Connie Marvin. Today's acolyte is Matthew Bain. For the 11 am worship, Michael Berry is providing audio support. Mike Koch is Worship Leader for 11 am worship.

**Children's Church:** The children are invited to Children's Church in the room across from the nursery. Children's Church is for preschoolers through 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. Today's leaders are Sterling Roberts at 9 am and Jim Bailey at 11 am. Each Sunday, the children's nursery mother is Terri Hazelwood.

**Sanctuary flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of our 3rd anniversary (August 25) by Jim and Kathy Debiec.

**Today is 5 cents a meal Sunday!** Participating in your congregation's 5 Cents-a-Meal offering makes it possible for the Presbytery of the Peaks to award local, regional, national and international agencies with grants for providing food, development assistance, hunger education, public policy advocacy and lifestyle integrity information to those in need. Please participate generously as you are able!

**New Members** - Welcome to four new members who were received by the Session last Sunday morning. They include: Bill Baskervill, 1045 Fordland Drive, Halifax; Mike and Katherine (Kak) Rand, 506 Forest Drive, South Boston; and Katherine (Kathy) Wilkins, 279 South Main Street, Halifax. Please be sure to welcome these new folks to our church family!

**Missionary** - Paul and Reinhild Sydnor, who minister to refugees in Europe, will be with us next Sunday, August 29. They will share about their work during 9 and 11 o'clock worship. They will also teach the combined adult Sunday School class in the sanctuary that morning.

**Summer Sunday School** - The children (Pre-K - 5th grade) are being taught by a variety of wonderful volunteers who will teach a Sunday (or two) this summer.

For the youth and adults, three pastors and a number of laity are teaching a combined class entitled "Old Testament Wisdom for a New Testament Church — How Lesser Known Stories of the Old Testament Speak to OUR Church Today." Patty Nelson will teach this morning on 2 Samuel 12:13-25 - Life is Messy, and Jim Luedtke will teach the final lesson September 5 on 2 Chronicles 18:1-19:3 - Lord, What is Your Will for Us? Looking at these stories from the Old Testament will be fresh and inspiring. Plan to be there as much as you can this summer!

**Men of the Church** meet on Thursday evenings at 7 pm. They are currently studying the gospel of Luke. On regular meeting nights, a group meets for dinner at 5:50 pm at Roma's. Come out and join these men for fellowship, food, and study!

**Youth Cook-out** - There will be a "Welcome Back" cookout on Sunday, August 29 at 3 pm to kick off our youth activities for the new school year. We will grill hamburgers and play kickball at the church. This event is for all ages of kids and parents, too. Regular Sunday afternoon meetings will resume in September.

**Angel Food Ministries** – Many thanks to the volunteers who helped with yesterday's distribution. The September menu is now available in the Sunday School foyer and online. Check out the changes that Angel Food is making to meet the needs of all families. We are trying to reach out to the community and tell them about the Angel Food program, so we are looking for volunteers to place menus in schools and community bulletin boards all over Halifax County. Please see Jacquelyn McAbee after worship if you can take a menu or two to post around town.

**Newsletter** - The September newsletter will be prepared and mailed this week. Please have all information to be included in this edition to the church office by Monday, August 23. Volunteers are needed to help fold and prepare them for mailing on Friday morning at 9 am.

**College Addresses** - As your students head off to college or back to college, be sure to let the church office know of their new addresses. We want to include them in our college student ministry mailings and send them the monthly church newsletters. Also, please be in prayer for these students as they face the challenges of a new chapter in their life or a new year of study!

**Christian Women's Bible Study** - The Ladies Thursday morning Bible Study will be starting on Thursday September 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am for any woman in the community. They will be studying the Book of Acts. Please plan to join them and bring a friend! For more information, contact Wendy Daniel.

**Upper Room Devotionals** for September/October are available in the Sunday School foyer and each vestibule. Pick up one today and kick off the school year by spending some time with God each day!

**Rally Day - Sunday, September 12** - Be here as we begin a new, exciting Sunday School year. Breakfast will be served by the Deacons beginning at 9:30 am that morning. Plans are in the works for classes of all ages at 10 am each week. Come find your place on Sunday mornings!

**Calendar**

**Sunday, August 22**

9:00 am Contemporary Worship  
10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship

**Monday, August 23**

9:30 am Prayer Group

**Tuesday, August 24**

**Wednesday, August 25**

12 noon AA meeting  
6:30 pm Handbells  
12 noon NA meeting  
5:30 pm Long Range Planning Committee  
7:00 pm Men of the Church

**Thursday, August 26**

8:00 pm AA meeting

**Friday, August 27**

9:00 am Bulletins and newsletters

**Saturday, August 28**

12 noon AA meeting

**First Presbyterian Church**

9 O'clock Worship for August 22, 2010

Gather in the Lord's Name

Prelude

Welcome/Prayer

Opening Psalm

Praise and Worship Time (You are all invited to sing along with the worship team)

(3:7) "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" # 51

"Trading My Sorrows" iWorship B

(2:20) "I Waited for the Lord" # 42

Announcements

Prayer Time/The Lord's Prayer (words on screen)

Offering

Inst. "Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone" Handout

(2:13) "Holy and Righteous" # 35

Inst. "I Worship You/I'm Forever Grateful" Handout

Scripture Luke 13:10-17 p. 1011

Sermon "Straightening Up" Rev. Russell Lee

Prayer

Closing Song "As We Go"

Michele Fitch, Jacquelyn McAbee, Ann & Bob Egloff,

Mike Marvin, and Russell Lee are today's Praise Team.

Brian Raney will provide computer/audio support.

A Nursery and Children's Church are available at both 9 am and 11 am worship.

Children's Church for K-2<sup>nd</sup> graders is held in the kindergarten classroom on the first floor.

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of blessing come our way and  
flood the streets of our land.*