

# First Presbyterian Church

## Contemporary Service

December 3, 2006

**Come, Celebrate Jesus!**

**Welcome** Jimmie Crawford

**Lighting of the Advent Candle** The Hurd Family

**Singing Together** *Come Into His Presence*

**Prayer**

**Singing Together** *O Come All Ye Faithful*

**Greeting One Another**

**Singing Together** *There Is a Redeemer*  
*Sing Halleluiah*

**Prayer**

**Give Back to God** *Come to the Table of the Lord*

(Please place your offerings into the basket placed in the center of the table)

**Children's Sermon** Dr. Cheetham

**Scripture Reading** Jeremiah 33: 14-16 Brenda Thaxton

**Message** "Promised Hope" Dr. Cheetham

**Reception of a New Member**

**Prayer**

**Singing Together** *Here Is the Bread (2 verses)*

**Communion**

**Singing Together** *Here Is the Bread (last verse)*

**Benediction**

**Praise Team**

Jimmie Crawford, Melody Pollard, Linda & Richard Hartwell, Mimi & Raymond Hurd, Hugh & Linda Bramhall, George Gebhardt,

Lesley Jacobson, Wayne Ray, Alex Quarles, Jennifer Breland  
Worship Notes: This morning we are celebrating the sacrament of communion, also called the Lord's Supper. A sacrament is an outward sign of an inward grace. This means that the bread and grape juice symbolize God's love for us in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Presbyterian Church believes that the elements stay the same but acknowledges the special presence of Christ in and around the elements through the Holy Spirit. This is a powerful opportunity to commune with Jesus, our Savior and Lord, and be reminded of his love for us.

All those who have been baptized are welcomed to the Lord's Table. This is not a right, but a privilege. It is a call to confess your sins and opportunity to renew your faith. We ask that you hold the elements so everyone can eat the bread or drink the cup together as this symbolizes our unity in Christ.

**Lighting of the Candle** **The Hurd Family**

*This morning's symbol is the Branch of Jesse. Today we light the first Advent candle, remembering how God spoke through the prophets the promise of one who would come to deliver all people from sin and darkness. Today we once again claim that promise in our lives, and look forward to the coming of our Deliverer in this holy season.*

**Scripture Reading** Isaiah 11:1

*"And there shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots."*

**Our Deepest Sympathy is extended :**

To Melody Pollard and family upon the death of her mother, Grace Garrard, on Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>.

To the family of Reverend Jim Martin upon his death on Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

**Caroling at Cedarcroft:** Everyone is invited to go caroling at Cedarcroft on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. After caroling, refreshments will be served to the residents. We need donations of cookies and baked goods for this event. Please bring them to Fellowship Hall by 5:30 pm next Monday.

**Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner**  
**December 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.**

**Chicken Parmesan, Broccoli & Carrots,**  
**Pasta Salad, Rolls, Dessert**

## This Week at First Presbyterian Church

Today	8:45 am	Contemporary Service
	9:45 am	Church School
	11:00 am	Worship Service
	7:00 pm	Hanging of the Greens Service
Tuesday	9:00 am	Pre-School
Wednesday	5:00 pm	Bell Choir
	6:00 pm	Fellowship Dinner
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00 am	Pre-School
	6:30 pm	Contemporary Practice

## Last Sunday's Record

Contemporary Service	47	Offering	\$ 2,047.40
Sunday School	44	Weekly Need	5,354.00
Sanctuary Service	82	Through Oct.	199,345.50

### The Church Session

*Brenda Thaxton, Clerk of Session*

<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Joe Adams	Suanne Bone	Charles Bradshaw
Jimmie Crawford	Tom Halbert	Pat Climer
Brenda Thaxton	David Howell	Ken Hawkins
Lois Ann Wauford	Hugo Sandoval	Gwynn Lanus

### The Board of Deacons

*Lesley Jacobson, Moderator*

Jon Baker	Loyce Bradshaw	Jennifer Breland
Carolyn Beard	James Herren	Faye Brown
Mary Ellen O'Neil	Lesley Jacobson	Becky Burris
Deborah Sanders	Karen Jump	Alex Quarles

### The Church Staff

Dr. John T. Cheetham, Pastor  
Gary Scott, Organist  
Branson Clark, Music Director  
Kristy Stevens, Administrative Assistant  
Tracey Hay, Treasurer  
Jay Porter, Custodian  
Betsy White, Nursery Attendant  
Lee Anne Warren, Preschool Director

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## Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. Please speak with the pastor at the close of the service regarding new membership. We invite all who worship to sign the attendance card found in your bulletin.

### Prayer Concerns

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Claudine Prowell	Jack Patterson	Isa Carroll
Etta Hammer	Peggy Williams	Susan Bowman
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Thayer & Alice Smith	Archie McKinnes	Debbie York
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Julie Pepper	Marjorie Nabbe	Cecilia White
Barbara Mullins	Stan Williams	John Angles
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Shirley Walfus	Ann Freeman	Debbie Brinner
Johnnie Keel	Al Johnson	Bob Hart
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