

The Gathering

Silent Meditation

Prelude *Trio in C Major* Rheinberger

Words of Welcome Suanne Bone

Introit

* Call to Worship *(Psalm 14: 1, 3-7)*

Leader: Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."

People: They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.

Leader: They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse; there is no one who does good, no, not one.

People: Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not call upon the LORD?

Leader: There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous. You would confound the plans of the poor, but the LORD is their refuge.

People: O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion! When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

* Hymn 456

Awake, My Soul, and With the Sun MORNING HYMN

* Prayer of Confession (unison) Nick Reed

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have left undone the things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us and heal us. Spare those who confess their faults. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

* Silent Confession

* Declaration of Pardon

* Gloria Patri Hymn 579

* The Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Word of God

First Lesson Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28

Second Lesson 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

One: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Anthem *"Simple Gifts"* Schweizer

Children's Message Nick Reed

* Gospel Lesson Luke 15: 1-10

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Response of the People

* The Heidelberg Catechism

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

That I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven, not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at and has completely freed me from the dominion of the head; and assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

How many things must you know that you may live and die in the blessedness of this comfort?

Three. First, the greatness of my sin and wretchedness. wretched consequences. Third, what gratitude I owe to

Second, how I am freed from all my sins and their God for such redemption.

* Hymn 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ST. DENIO

* Offertory Prayer

Offertory *Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above* Zachau

* Doxology Hymn 592

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sending Forth

* Hymn 170

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want CRIMOND

* Charge and Benediction

* Choral Response

Postlude *Why Should I Myself Be Grieving* Krebs

Lay Reader: Linda Hartwell

We extend deepest sympathy

To Betsy Sellars and David Foutch on the death of Betsy's mother, Frances Sellars on Monday, September 10th. Our sympathy to grandchildren Blair, John, and Chloe. Her funeral service was held in the sanctuary on September 12th. Frances served as the choir director here at First Presbyterian Church for over 50 years, retiring at the end of 2004. It was under her direction that the annual Christmas Eve Candlelight service was begun.

To Lisa and Branson Clark upon the death of Lisa's grandfather, Major Will E. Duffer III on September 12th.

To Mary Ellen and Oscar Hofstetter upon the death of Oscar's mother, Virginia Hofstetter on Thursday, September 13th.

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

Today	8:45 am	Contemporary Service
	9:45 am	Church School
	11:00 am	Worship Service
	4:45 pm	Elementary Kids Fellowship
	5:45 pm	Children & Youth Dinner
	6:15 pm	Youth Fellowship
Monday	9:30 am	Morning Sewing Group
Tuesday	9:00 am	Preschool

	4:00 pm	Knitting Group
Wednesday	5:00 pm	Handbell Choir Practice
	6:00 pm	Wednesday Night Dinner
	7:15 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00 pm	Preschool
	6:30 pm	Contemporary Practice

Last Sunday's Record

Contemporary Service	70	Offering	\$ 2,027.00
Sunday School	0	Weekly Need	5,185.00
Sanctuary Service	63	Through July	152,829.08

The Church Session

Pat Climer, Clerk of Session

<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Suanne Bone	Charles Bradshaw	Richard Hartwell
Tom Halbert	Pat Climer	Richard Pellerin
David Howell	Ken Hawkins	Mary E Hofstetter
Hugo Sandoval	Gwynn Lanus	Roy Wauford

The Board of Deacons

Lesley Jacobson, Moderator

Loyce Bradshaw	Doug Bone	Judy Denney
James Herren	Jennifer Breland	David Foutch
Lesley Jacobson	Faye Brown	Judy Leonard
Karen Jump	Becky Burris	Justin Taylor

The Church Staff

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

Prayer Concerns

Alba Telez	Jane Martin	Keri Fitts
Jerry Gray	Larry Patton	Anne Slagle
Archie McKinnes	Debbie McClure	Maclynn Crawford
Elizah Patterson	Johnny Keel	Al Johnson
Carey Mathis	Sara Thompson	Ricky Lambert
Cecilia White	Sydney Bixby	George Donnell
Ronnie Walsworth	Irene Campbell	Dwayne Roach
Charles Cowden Sr.	Debbie Sharp	Lisa Newman
Claudine Prowell	Linda Wills	Debbie York
Deborah Sindorf	Sherry Arnold	Ruth Reeves
David Freeman	Kathy Eckler	Stan Williams
Ken Fleming	Peggy Williams	Susan Bowman
Mary H. Averitt	Racheal Dugger	Deborah Dugger
Hazel Williams	Fay Hastings	Marcia Williams
Brenda Barnes (NC)	Aubrey Roney	Marjorie Nabbe
Valerie Eblin	Joseph Clemons	Capt. William Jones
Julie Stephens	Lisa Fletcher	Earl Campbell
Max Taylor	Eddie Watters	Phillip Robertson
Mechelle Bass	Nancy Gamble	Sean Barber
Thayer & Alice Smith	Jim Key	Tara Frye
David Grandstaff	Nita Taylor	Herstine Brown
Joanne McCanles	Jonathan Hamby	Bob Pursley
Freddy Bandy	Joey DeSantis	Hannah Penuel

Robert Nabbe

Lisa Clark Family

Family of Virginia Hofstetter

Military

Chris Bowhannan

Jason Nolley

Lee Smith

Jaymon Bell

David Midgett Brian Reeve

Kevin Alseys

Noah Evans

Jason Redmon

Luke Baker

Matthew Humes

James Scott

Matthew Ash

Kyle Flanagan

Randy Sandlin

Nancy Boyd

Michael O'Neil

Jeremy Scott

Scott Bass

Kyle Kaker

Jeff Scott

Stewart Beaumont

Mike Matthys

Food Donations: Katie Reece, a Girl Scout from Troop 1857, is working on her Silver Award, the highest award a Cadette Scout can earn. Her project is to collect food donations that will be given to local churches for their food pantries and given to "people in need." If you could make a non-perishable food donation, she would greatly appreciate your donation. All donations will be picked up today.

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