

Celebration of Worship

June 28, 2009 – 11:00 A.M.

We enter to worship;

we depart to serve

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude Amanda Teachnor, Organist

Announcements
(Please sign and pass the friendship pads at this time.)

- ◆ Opening Hymn 155 “*Spirit of the Living God*”
**Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt, mold me, Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me.**

Welcome & Silent Meditation

Invocation Ms. Jeanie Kvach

Call to Worship *from Psalm 30*

I will praise you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up.

O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

So that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

- ◆ Hymn 394 “*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*”

WE CONFESS OUR SINS & RECEIVE GOD’S GRACE

- ◆ Prayer of Confession
**Holy God, we make distinctions between people and choose who we will focus our time on based on what we think they can do for us. Our notions about “purity” are different from those of Jesus’ day, but they still get in the way of us showing impartiality and mercy.
Forgive us, we pray.**

Help us learn to imitate our Lord, responding to the need of others without making distinctions.

Grant that when this different way of responding to others makes us uncomfortable, we might be freed from fear and learn to trust in you. In Jesus’ name we pray...
(...*Silent confession will conclude with “Amen.”*)

- ◆ Assurance of God’s Pardon

Hear the good news! In baptism you were buried with Christ.

In baptism we were also raised to new life with him, through faith in the power of God who raised Christ from the dead.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation; The old life is gone; a new life has begun. Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

- ◆ Gloria “*Lord, Be Glorified*”

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In your church, Lord, be glorified today.

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

Sacrament of Infant Baptism

Dakota Rayn Reagh

Presentation

Affirmations of the Grandmother

Pam Smithey

1. Do you reaffirm your own faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on Dakota's behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly promise, in humble reliance upon God's grace, to set before Dakota an example of the new life in Christ?
4. Do you promise to pray with and for Dakota and to bring him up in the knowledge and love of God?

Affirmations of the Congregation

1. Do you, the members of First Presbyterian Church, in the name of the whole church of Christ, undertake with Pam the Christian nurture of this child, so that in due time he may confess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?
2. Will you endeavor by your example and fellowship to strengthen Dakota's family ties with the household of God?

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Act of Baptism

Welcome and Introduction

Children’s Moment

Ms. Marti

(Children’s Church is available for 4 yrs. through kindergarten.)

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Morning Offering

- ◆ Hymn “*We Are an Offering*”

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours, we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering, we are an offering.

- ◆ Prayer of Dedication

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Gospel Reading (page 816)

Mark 5:21-43

Sermon

“*Purity, Popularity,
and the Fulfillment of the Law*”

- ◆ Hymn 319 “*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*”

WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

- ◆ Benediction

- ◆ Congregational Response Hymn 516
“*Give of Your Best to the Master*” (1st verse & Refrain)
**Give of your best to the Master, Give of the strength of your youth; Throw your soul’s fresh, glowing ardor into the battle for truth.
Jesus has set the example – Dauntless was He, young and brave; Give Him your loyal devotion, give Him the best that you have.
Give of your best to the Master; Give of the strength of your youth; Clad in salvation’s full armor, join in the battle for truth.**

Postlude

- ◆ (Indicates appropriate place for congregation to stand)

