

# Celebration of Worship

July 26, 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 “*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*”

**Lord, I lift Your name on high,**

**Lord, I love to sing Your praises.**

**I’m so glad You’re in my life,**

**I’m so glad You came to save us.**

**You came from heaven to earth to show the way,**

**From the earth to the cross my debt to pay.**

**From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky,**

**Lord, I lift Your name on high.**

Welcome & Silent Meditation

Invocation

Mr. Mark Griffis

Call to Worship

*from Psalm 25*

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

**O my God, in you I trust.**

Make me to know your ways O LORD; teach me your paths.

**Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my Salvation; for you I wait all day long. To you, O LORD, we lift up our souls!**

◆ Hymn 108 “*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*”

## WE CONFESS OUR SINS & RECEIVE GOD’S GRACE

◆ Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, how often we ignore your promptings,  
and how quickly we expel strangers, indeed all that is**

**new or strange, from our hearts and minds! And we judge others, as if our ruling, our judgment, were as good as yours. On the other hand, we also fail to judge when we should. We give in and accommodate what we know is not right, when we should stand true to our convictions; and we too readily bend our words and our will for the approval of others. Have mercy on us, O Lord, and hear these our silent prayers.**

*(...Silent confession will conclude with “Amen.”)*

◆ Assurance of God’s Pardon

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ came into the world to save sinners.

**He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.**

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

◆ Gloria (page 234) “*He Is Lord*”

He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord! Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

Children’s Moment

Ms. Marti

including performance by the Vacation Bible School Children  
“*Hello*”

“*To God Be the Glory*”

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

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Morning Offering

◆ 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.**

◆ Prayer of Dedication

## WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Old Testament Reading (page 245)

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

New Testament Reading (page 950)

Ephesians 2:11-22

Sermon

“*God’s Single-Family Dwelling*”

Rev. Elaine Johnson

◆ Hymn 486

“*Open My Eyes That I May See*”

## WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

◆ Benediction

◆ Congregational Response Hymn 596

“*Gentle Shepherd*”

**Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need You to help us find our way.**

**Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us, for we need Your strength from day to day.**

**There’s no other we can turn to who can help us face another day;**

**Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need You to help us find our way.**

Postlude

◆ *(Indicates appropriate place for congregation to stand)*

*We stand ready to welcome and receive those who would like to join with us in the journey of faith. Please speak to the pastor or one of the church members if you wish to join this congregation on the road to discipleship.*

## OUR MISSION

At First Presbyterian Church of Sand Springs,  
we are filled with life as a congregation

because God creates us, loves us and calls us  
to be his children and to be family to one another.

Our purpose is to serve, play, learn and worship together,  
seeking to have our brethren, lost and found,

accept the grace God offers

and join us at the table of the Lord.

