

**The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin**  
**The Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 23, 2009**  
**10:30 a.m.**

*Enter the church in silence. Through silence speak to God and let God speak to you.*

**PREPARATION:** *The following are the scripture texts for this morning: Psalm 84 (Pew Bible pages 472-473); 1 Kings 8(1, 6, 10-11), 22-30, 41-43 (pages 271-273) The Ark of the Covenant is brought into temple. Ephesians 6:10-20 (page 952) Strength can be found in the armor of God and in prayer. John 6:56-69 (page 868) Jesus teaches that life eternal is a gift given by the Spirit.*

**PRAYER FOR THE DAY:** *Grant me the grace, O God, to know what I should know, to love what I should love, to praise what pleases you, and to cherish everything that is precious to you. Keep me from judging simply by what my eyes see, or my ears hear. Help me to know the difference between appearance and spiritual reality. Above all, may I have the grace always to seek your joy. Amen. (\*Thomas a Kempis)*

### THE GATHERING

#### BELL PEAL

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

**PRELUDE** "Introduction and Variations on AURELIA" Hark

**INTROIT** (*Borrowed Light*) "Unless This Day Be Holy" Aurelia

**CHOIR:** Unless this day be holy all days shall blur to one,  
as orderly but empty they march from sun to sun.  
But if we keep the Sabbath through prayer and song and praise,  
we'll find the sacred meaning of all our working days.

**\*ALL:** **Our worship, like the lightning that lifts the curtained night,  
shall cast before us shining what darkness hides from sight:  
the wonder and the glory we dimly sense and feel,  
the circling sacred presence our busy lives conceal.**

#### \*OPENING SENTENCES

**LEADER:** Come into my house and worship, says our God.  
**PEOPLE:** **Happy are those who feel at home in God's house.**  
**LEADER:** Come into my presence and be at peace, says our God.  
**PEOPLE:** **Happy are those who enjoy God's gift of serenity.**  
**LEADER:** Come and let your life be joined to mine, says our God.  
**PEOPLE:** **Happy are those who abide in God's love.**  
**LEADER:** Come and be God's honored guest, for all are welcome in God's house.  
**PEOPLE:** **Happy are we, the dearly loved of a faithful God.**  
**ALL:** **Let us worship God!**

**\*HYMN #489** "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" Unser Herrscher

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**LEADER:** This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel, says the Lord:

**PEOPLE:** **I will put my law within them, and I will write it upon their hearts:  
and I will be their God and they will be my people.**

**LEADER:** I will forgive their evil deeds, and I will remember their sin no more.  
In penitence and faith, let us confess our sins to almighty God.

**ALL:** **Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Holy One of God. Even as we confess you  
are Lord, we admit that we struggle to follow you. Your teachings  
demand commitment, but we lack energy and imagination. Sometimes  
we wish we could go away from you. But to whom would we go? You  
have the words of eternal life. Risen Christ, have mercy on us. Choose  
us yet again. Send your Spirit to empower our witness and work.  
Amen.**

**RESPONSE** (*Sing the Faith #2030*) "The First Song of Isaiah" First Song

**CHOIR:** Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,  
and he will be my Savior.

**ALL:** **Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,  
and he will be my Savior.**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**LEADER:** Know that God hears our prayers and will have mercy on all who humbly  
repent of their sin. Did not God send Christ our Savior to cleanse us of  
unrighteousness?

**PEOPLE:** **And does not Christ intercede on behalf of those who confess?**

**LEADER:** Let us lay aside our burdens, and take courage from the Gospel. God  
forgives us through Christ.

**ALL:** **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI** (*Hymnal #579*) "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen."

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** Eric Houghton

#### THE WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**EPISTLE READING** Ephesians 6:10-20

*The Word of the Lord!*

**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” arr. Hopson

GOSPEL READING John 6:56-69  
*The Gospel of the Lord!*  
Praise to You, O Christ!

SERMON “All Dressed Up” Rev. Victoria ByRoade

### THE RESPONSE

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Iona Community Book  
We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of the one God, Maker and Sustainer of earth, sea and sky. Born of Mary’s womb, faithful to the God of Abraham and Sarah, Jesus healed the sick, served the poor, and proclaimed heaven on earth. Condemned by the religious, crucified by the state, He died, but transformed even death and rose to life everlasting. He blessed the disciples with his Holy Spirit and sent them forth, east and west, north and south. We commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters and to his mission in the world in the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY “Versets on LANCASHIRE” Krapf  
\*DOXOLOGY (Hymnal #591) “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. Amen.”

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### THE SENDING

\*HYMN #447 “Lead On, O King Eternal” Lancashire

### \*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE (Hymn #333) “Seek Ye First” Lafferty

CHOIR: Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you. Allellu, alleluia!

ALL: Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

### \*CHARGE

\*POSTLUDE “Doxology Postlude” Stearns

*\*The congregation stands. If standing is difficult for you, please feel free to remain seated.*

**NEXT SUNDAY, August 30, 2009 will be the Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time.** *The scripture readings will be: Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 (Pew Bible page 449); Song of Solomon 2:8-13 (page 544) A woman is filled with excitement and joy as her lover approaches. James 1:17-27 (pages 980-981) In response to God’s gifts, we are called to be doers of the Word. Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 (pages 818-819) Jesus warns the crowd against being defiled from within the heart.*

**PRAYER FOR PEACE – PAKISTAN** From the Presbyterian Peacemakers, we learn that recent violence between Muslims and Christians in Pakistan resulted in many injuries and a number of deaths. The National Council of Churches in Pakistan confirmed nine deaths and “lambasted the Muslim extremists who acted in a frenzy of rage over phony blasphemy charges.” The Council is demanding that the Pakistani government “reconsider” the blasphemy laws. Christian organizations in Pakistan “announced plans to make a ‘black day’ on August 11 to protest the persecution of Christians in Pakistan,” CNS News reported. The Islamic Society of North America condemned the riots as a “frenzy of fanaticism,” and stated that “Muslims of Pakistan should collectively rise to the occasion [and ] demonstrate their sympathy and solidarity with the affected members of the Christian community.” *Eternal God, stand with the Christians of Pakistan whose homes have been burned, whose lives have been shattered, whose sense of security has been violated and taken away forever. Provide strength and courage as they seek to begin anew. Provide comfort as they grieve. Provide healing for their wounds. Move the people of Pakistan and the world to respond with gracious care to those who are in need. Guide religious and government leaders of Pakistan to respond with acts that ensure the safety of all the people. Where violence has grasped some people's hearts, break its hold. Where intolerance is the call of the moment, fill people with your love. Draw the people of Pakistan together that all might live in justice and know peace. Amen.*

**IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME** and are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin, please indicate your desire to Pastor ByRoade so we can arrange a gathering of our Session.

**WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE TODAY** – Coffee is available in Hager Hall following both services. Coloring pages for children to use during the worship hour are available from the ushers. Our nursery, for infants through age 3, is in the Christian Education Building, downstairs in Room 103. Large print bulletins and large print hymnals are available from the ushers. Hearing devices are also available. Please ask for one at the sound booth.

### PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

USHERS: Don Shaffer, Paul Burks, Manny Garcia, Laura Garcia

LITURGIST: Carole Anne Agnew

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS WEEK ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY

Cheryl Small in memory of the birthday of her grandmother, Vera L. Williamson

Stephen L. Allen in memory of his mother, Geraldine C. Allen

\*The Prayer of the Day was written by Thomas a Kempis (1380-1471), a medieval Christian monk and author of Imitation of Christ, one of the most well-known Christian books on devotion.

**TODAY'S OPPORTUNITIES**

8:45 a.m. – Worship Café  
9:30 a.m. – Sunday School/Fellowship  
10:30 a.m. – Traditional Worship

**OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

Monday (24<sup>th</sup>) 10:00 a.m. Strong for Life  
Tuesday (25<sup>th</sup>) 7:30 p.m. Transit (Young Adult Group)  
Wednesday (26<sup>th</sup>) 10:00 a.m. Strong for Life  
7:00 p.m. Video Club  
8:00 p.m. Worship Café Rehearsal

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE** for First Church Scholars – If you are a full-time student at one of the Florida colleges or universities, you may qualify for a Gladys Douglas Hackworth Scholarship. If you are a full-time student at a non-Florida college, you may apply for a scholarship from the James Crozier Scholarship Fund. Please send a letter to Mary Walthall, 1781 Briar Circle, Dunedin, FL 34698. You may also e-mail Mary at [mwalthall@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mwalthall@tampabay.rr.com). Include your college goals, status, number of courses scheduled, social security number and the address of the financial aid department of your college in your request. If you are a current scholarship recipient, please include a copy of your grades. Please submit your request to Mary before September 21, 2009.

**THE VIDEO CLUB** will meet on Wednesday, August 26, 2009 at the church at 6:00 for pizza and dessert. The cost will be \$3.00 per person. Following dinner we will watch the British movie “Kinky Boots”.

**CEDARKIRK FAMILY RETREAT – SEPTEMBER 4-6, 2009** This Labor Day weekend, take the family on a getaway to Cedarkirk, our very own camp and conference center. Get all the relaxation and activities of a family vacation without all the planning and scheduling! Enjoy some lazy river activities, relax at the pool, and be sure to bring your camera for that perfect shot as the family zip lines from a 20 foot tower. Of course there is simply enjoying Cedarkirk’s beautiful setting while rocking on the porch, during worship, or strolls along the river. Please visit Cedarkirk’s website ([www.cedarkirk.org](http://www.cedarkirk.org)) or call (813-685-4224) for information or to register.

**NEW FIRST CHURCH T-SHIRTS ARE HERE!** Please stop by the welcome table and purchase one of our newly designed shirts and help spread the word about First Church! We currently have Adult sizes S-XL \$13.00; 2XL \$15.00; and 3XL \$16.00. We also have ladies crew neck contoured shirts available in S-XL \$17.00.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAMILY DINNERS ARE BACK!** Our first Wednesday night supper of the season will be a Potluck on September 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and join us for some great fellowship! We are pleased to announce that beginning September 16<sup>th</sup> we will be featuring Mic’s Homestyle Grille as our new caterer. Prices will remain the same as last year at \$6.50 per adult; \$4.00 12-18; \$3.00 1-12; \$18.00 max per family. Please watch the bulletin for our new menu!

**PRAYER REQUESTS** the names of people who have requested prayer are listed in italics the first week of their request and any time there are changes in their condition or place of recuperation. A complete listing of the people for whom we need to lift our prayers will also be provided for you in each edition of THE VOICE. (Please call the church office if you have a prayer concern.)

- *Family and friends of Mary B. Grimes, sister-in-law of Rosalie Bergman, who died August 16*
- *Joe Tilney at Mease Dunedin*
- Elizabeth Rodzewicz following knee surgery
- Paul Kuehner diagnosed with colon cancer
- Dave Dauble recuperating at home
- Fran Iosa, mother of Jeff Iosa, following breast cancer surgery
- Eva Marcantel at Manor Extensive Care on Tampa Road
- Deborah Watson recuperating at home
- John Keller, father of Tina Marie Fisher, facing health issues
- Sandi Geller, family friend of Dave and Bobbie Eichenberger, diagnosed with incurable cancer
- Edna-Ann Zaccharia of Virginia, cousin of Frances Doyle, diagnosed with lung cancer
- Ann Click under Hospice care
- For improved health: Walter Brashear, Marion Guthrie, Jim Brandt, Su Ross, Charlie Randolph, Millie Randolph, Martha Brinklow, Betsy Perkins, Bill Vilsoet, Sharyn Ramirez, Lois Krebs, Dotsie Dauble, Peg Harvie, Dee Faust
- All our members who reside in skilled nursing homes
- The Transfiguration Faith Community of St. Petersburg, a new church development in the Presbytery of Tampa Bay
- Luke Phillips, our contemporary worship leader, as he begins the process toward ordination
- First Presbyterian Church in our desire to be responsible stewards of our talents and finances

***First Church Year-to-Date Revenue and Expenditures***

***Including Preschool***

***August 19, 2009***

<i>Income Year-to-Date</i>	<i>\$382,226</i>
<i>Expenses Year-to-Date</i>	<i>\$449,971</i>
<i>Balance (Overage) Year-to-Date</i>	<i>(\$67,744)</i>

The 2009 Budget is \$712,362. It includes an anticipated deficit of (\$56,812).

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**THE SESSION OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DUNEDIN**

**MODERATOR: Rev. Victoria ByRoade**

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**The Mission of the First Presbyterian Church is to Invite, Share, Celebrate, and Send the Christian faith by word and deed to the community and world.**

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