

**The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin
The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
September 6, 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 125 (Pew Bible pages 498-499); Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 (page 527) Those who are generous to the poor are truly just. James 2:1-10, 11-13, 14-17 (page 981) Do not favor the rich over the poor, for God does not do so. Mark 7:24-37 (page 819) A woman convinces Jesus to heal her daughter. He also heals a deaf man.*

PRAYER FOR THE DAY: *We gather together wearing fancy clothes and plain ones. We assemble with pockets of indebtedness and well-paying stocks. We come together as people rich with hope and of skimpy faith to do your work in this world. As we come, O God, we renew our covenant to work together as the people of your realm, to make this world a better place. Amen.*

THE GATHERING

BELL PEAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

PRELUDE "Innsbruck" Isaak

***INTROIT (Hymn # 425) "Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining"** Abbot's Leigh

ALL: Lord of light, Your name outshining all the stars and suns of space,
Use our talents in Your kingdom as the servants of Your grace;
Use us to fulfill Your purpose in the gift of Christ Your Son:
Abba, as in highest heaven, so on earth Your will be done.

*OPENING SENTENCES

LEADER: Be rich in faith says the God who gives us life.
PEOPLE: We trust in God, who is faithful to us.
LEADER: Be strong in spirit, says the God who carries us through life.
PEOPLE: We trust in God, who surrounds us with love.
LEADER: Be generous to one another, says the God of abundant grace.
PEOPLE: We trust in God, who is the giver of every gift.
LEADER: Be steadfast in your lives, says the God of wisdom.
PEOPLE: We trust in God, who endures forever.
ALL: Let us worship God!

***HYMN #220** "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" Old Hundredth

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LEADER: God sent Christ into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved;
PEOPLE: that all who believe in Him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with Him of everlasting life.
LEADER: Trusting in that promise, let us together confess our sins to God.
ALL: O Lord, the One who comforts the afflicted and afflicts the comfortable, You love us, but we have not loved You; You call, but we have not listened. You have given us so much privilege and we have used it for only our gain. Forgive us. Free us so that we can release our hold on the values of greed and embrace the values of the Gospel. Open our eyes to see the desperation. Open our ears to hear the cry of the needy. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

RESPONSE (Hymn #261) "God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us" O Quanta Qualia

ALL: God of compassion, in mercy befriend us;
giver of grace for our needs all availing.
Wisdom and strength for each day do Thou send us,
patience untiring and courage unailing.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER: Suffering under the weight of sin,
we eagerly and gladly hear the saving word of God spoken in Christ Jesus.
PEOPLE: And now, as forgiven people, we are free to praise and proclaim God's amazing grace in transformed living, and boldly share the message of God's wondrous love for all people.
LEADER: Glory be to God!
ALL: The Lord's name be praised!

***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."**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE READING

James 2:1-10, 11-13, 14-17

The Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING

Mark 7:24-37

The Gospel of the Lord!
Praise to You, O Christ!

SERMON

“Prayer and Potatoes”

Rev. Victoria ByRoade

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“The Cup of Blessing”

Turner

**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 SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

RESPONSE (Hymn #521)

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

Finest Wheat

CHOIR:

**(REFRAIN) You satisfy the hungry heart with gifts of finest wheat;
Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.**

The mystery of Your presence Lord, No mortal tongue can tell.
Whom all the world cannot contain, Comes in our hearts to dwell.

ALL:

(REFRAIN)

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

LEADER:

Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God! Men and women will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the Kingdom of God. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took bread and blessed it and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him. This is our Lord’s table. Our Savior invites all who love him to share the feast which he has prepared.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LEADER:

The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE:

And also with you.

LEADER:

Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE:

We lift them to the Lord.

LEADER:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE:

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

LEADER:

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe. In your wisdom you made all things and sustain them by your power. You formed us in your image, setting us in this world to love and serve you, and to live in peace with your whole creation. When we rebelled against you, refusing to trust and obey you, you did not reject us, but still claimed us as your own. You sent prophets to call us back to your way. Then in the fullness of time, out of your great love for the world, you sent your only Son to be one of us, to redeem us and heal our brokenness. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

SANCTUS (Hymnal #581)

Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

LEADER:

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Sent to be our Savior, He took our flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. His words are true. His touch brings healing. To all who follow Him, He gives abundant life. When evil sought to destroy Him, and He lay in the darkness of death, you raised Him from the grave. He is our risen Lord forever!

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (Hymnal #582)

Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

Dying, You destroyed our death; Rising You restored our life.

Lord, Jesus, come in glory!

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION CONTINUES

LEADER:

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us, and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

INSTITUTION AND FRACTURE

RESPONSE (Hymnal #597)

Sanctuary Choir

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

And all that is within me, bless God’s holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

And forget not all God’s benefits.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS *(Please partake of the elements as you are served.)*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!
PEOPLE: **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**
ALL: **Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE SENDING

***HYMN #374** “Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace” **Dickinson College**

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE** *(Sing the Faith #2255)* “In the Singing” **Bread of Peace**

CHOIR: In the singing, in the silence, in the hands expectant, open;
in the blessing, in the breaking, in the Presence at this table –
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace:
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.

ALL: **In the question, in the answer, in the moment of acceptance,
in the heart’s cry, in the healing, in the circle of your people –
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace:
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.**

***CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** “Fanfare” **Lemmens**

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

NEXT SUNDAY, September 13, 2009 will be the Twenty-fourth Sunday in ordinary Time. *The scripture readings will be: Psalm 19 (Pew Bible page 433); Proverbs 1:20-33 (pages 509-510) Wisdom cries out a warning to those who have ignored her. James 3:1-12 (pages 981-982) Be careful that words spoken by the tongue do not lead you into evil ways. Mark 8:27-38 (page 820) Peter proclaims that Jesus is the Messiah but is then admonished for not understanding the sufferings that are to come.*

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.

PRAYER FOR PEACE - AFGHANISTAN’S SCHOOL FOR GIRLS IN KANDAHAR

Two girls were attacked last year because they were on the way to school in Kandahar, Afghanistan. They are back in school, and gifts from around the world have paid for their school to have a bus to take them more safely back and forth to school. However, their parents are frightened for the girls and do not want them to have corrective surgeries to repair their faces after the attack. The girls continue to live as they were left lying to die in the street, damaged, but unbroken. They want to learn, to become strong and to be able to handle family affairs and commerce like women (in other countries) do. They are not afraid. *God in heaven, protect the children in the Mirwais Mena School for Girls. Protect their teachers and their bus driver. Even in the midst of the Taliban, this little school endures yet another year. Wrap your arms around the place and the people of this town and bless them all with your joy for living and give them strength. Amen.*

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

USHERS: Doug Davis, Paul Burks, Helen Fisk, Karen McNulty

LITURGIST: David Eichenberger

ELDERS SERVING COMMUNION: Herman Gaillard, Bill Hemme, Rebekah Quizhpe, Rita Long, Greg Long, Carol Justice, Garry Justice, Alan Frazer, Diana Carsey

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

The Poppler family (Iris, Jamie & Lori, Richard & Diane, Tom & Diane, Susan & Sean) in loving memory of Orville Poppler, dear husband, father, and grandfather
The children of Helen and Ernie Jackson in celebration of their 60th anniversary

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 (7 th)	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED – Labor Day	
Tuesday (8 th)	9:30 a.m.	Martha Circle
	11:30 a.m.	PW Women’s Council
	7:00 p.m.	Property Committee
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee
	7:30 p.m.	Transit (Young Adult Group)
Wednesday (9 th)	10:00 a.m.	Strong for Life
	6:00 p.m.	Pot-luck Dinner
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study – Doyle
	7:00 p.m.	Video Club
	8:00 p.m.	Worship Café Rehearsal
Thursday (10 th)	7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday (11 th)	10:00 a.m.	Finance Meeting
	12:00 p.m.	Planning and Growth Committee
Saturday (12 th)	4:00 p.m.	Joint Circle Potluck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAMILY DINNER This week the meal will be a pot-luck. Please bring plenty of food to share! (We gather at 6:00 p.m. and eat at 6:15 p.m. following the blessing.)

SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME! Come one! Come all! Join your voices to praise God and make a joyful noise unto the Lord! No audition required. Come to the choir room Thursday (September 10th) at 7:00 p.m. See you there!

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. 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 ROSE ON THE ORGAN CONSOLE is in celebration of the birth on August 30th of Noah Gabriel Davis, great-grandson of Doug and Marian Davis.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY with Buddy Doyle will study the book of Jeremiah in the Highlander Room at 7:00 p.m.

JOINT CIRCLE POTLUCK - Saturday, September 12th at 4:00 p.m. in Hager Hall. This potluck is for all members of Abigail, Esther, Martha, and Sarah Circles. Carole Anne Agnew will be doing an introduction to our new lesson book for this coming year. So come with a dish to share and time to spend with women of all our Circles.

ATTENTION BELIZE MISSION TRIP SHAREHOLDERS - A complimentary "Thank You" shareholder dinner will be held on Saturday, September 19th, at 6 p.m. in Hager Hall, followed by a special presentation in words and pictures about the trip. IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND, PLEASE RSVP TO THE OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th

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.)

- *John E., nephew of David and Bobbie E., following an injury in Afghanistan*
- *Debbie B. following eye surgery for macular degeneration on September 4*
- *Karolina N. following surgery September 2 at Morton Plant*
- *Walter B. recuperating at Emeritus following day surgery at Morton Plant on September 1*
- *Jean J. recuperating at Health South*
- Joe T. recuperating at home
- Elizabeth R. following knee surgery
- Paul K. diagnosed with colon cancer
- Dave D. recuperating at home
- Fran I., mother of Jeff I., following breast cancer surgery
- Eva M. at Manor Extensive Care on Tampa Road
- John K., father of Tina Marie F., facing health issues
- Sandi G., family friend of Dave and Bobbie E., diagnosed with incurable cancer
- Edna-Ann Z. of Virginia, cousin of Frances D., diagnosed with lung cancer
- Ann C. under Hospice care
- For improved health: Marion G., Jim B., Su R., Charlie R., Millie R., Martha B., Betsy P., Bill V., Sharyn R., Lois K., Dotsie D., Peg H., Dee F.
- 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 finance

First Church Year-to-Date Revenue and Expenditures

Including Preschool

September 2, 2009

<i>Income Year-to-Date</i>	<i>\$413,160</i>
<i>Expenses Year-to-Date</i>	<i>\$473,115</i>
<i>Balance (Deficit) Year-to-Date</i>	<i>(\$59,955)</i>

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

First Church Rally Day

Sunday, September 13th

9:30 a.m. – 10:20 a.m. ~ Hager Hall

Drama ~ Music ~ Intro to Fall Programs

Don't miss this! Members (of all ages) invited.

Witness the Vacation Bible School Reunion Drama:

“There’s no place like Rome”. Raise your voice in song, meet and greet the youngsters from First Church and their parents. SHARE the joy! Hear about the fall CE program and adult church activities. RALLY and support the programs of our church!

FREE Coffee and Bagels.

Bring a friend – newcomers always welcome!

CHRISTMAS IS COMING! WHO’S ON YOUR LIST?

Each year, we add names to our favorite persons list, people we would really like to remember at Christmas, so here’s a place for you to start this year’s list:

<i>Family</i>	<i>Friends</i>	<i>Business</i>

Oh, dear! Getting even a small present for all those cousins and grandchildren, best friends, uncles and aunts gets harder and harder each year. MMMMM. This could be expensive! We have a solution: Consider a gift of yourself!

Commit to give a day a month to Faith in Action, to HABITAT, to sorting clothes at HEP’s Thrift Store, or an afternoon to the RCS Food Bank. There are many opportunities for giving of your time and talents in our community. You can make a charitable gift to Heifer International or to Thornwell Home for Children, or to Wycliffe Bible Translators and let that gift be given in honor of your loved ones!

To give a gift in honor of a loved one, come to the MISSION FAIR on **Sunday, October 4th**. We’ll have exhibits from 16 missions for you to browse. You may find something that inspires you to give of yourself sometime during the next year. There will be a fair-trade international gift shop, too, for traditional gifts (cash, check, or VISA card). If you want to give money instead of time, we will accept your single check for multiple missions. So plan to spend a little time, look around, find the missions that inspire you where your contribution of either time or money speaks to your heart.

We’ll be open from **8:00 to noon**, so you can stop in before or after your worship service. **We hope you will join us.**

REACH OUT WITH LOVE

A DAY FOR ALTERNATE GIVING

8:00 to noon, Sunday, October 4

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