

The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin
Christ the King Sunday
November 22, 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 132:1-12, 13-18 (Pew Bible page 500); 2 Samuel 23:1-7 (page 261) David speaks his last words, which concern ruling with justice. Revelation 1:4-8 (pages 994-995) Christ, the king, has made us to be his kingdom. John 18:33-37 (page 881) Pilot questions Jesus, calling him “King of the Jews.”*

PRAYER FOR THE DAY: *Great light, thank You for waking me from my long, selfish sleep. Lead me, my King. I am ready to follow. (Stephen Lawhead, Merlin)*

THE GATHERING

BELL PEAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

PRELUDE “Variations on LOBE DEN HERREN”

Zufall

INTROIT (Hymn #145) “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

Marion

CHOIR: Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

***ALL:** Yes, on through life’s long path, still chanting as we go;
from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

***OPENING SENTENCES**

LEADER: Grace and peace to you, from Jesus, the Risen One.

PEOPLE: Let all the faithful shout for joy!

LEADER: Grace and peace to you, from the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last.

PEOPLE: Let all the faithful shout for joy!

LEADER: Grace and peace to you, from the One who brings the new heaven and the new earth.

PEOPLE: Let all the faithful shout for joy!

LEADER: Grace and peace to you, from Jesus, who is both the lamb and the lion.

PEOPLE: Let all the faithful shout for joy!

LEADER: Grace and peace to you, from Jesus, risen to rule with God over all things.

PEOPLE: Let all the faithful shout for joy!

ALL: Let us worship God!

***HYMN #150**

“Come. Christians, Join to Sing”

Madrid

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LEADER: If we say we have no sin, we are liars. But, if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith, then, let us confess our sin to God.

ALL: Risen Christ, you are Lord of Lords! You are King of Kings, and no one works like you! We proclaim your kingdom with our lips and voices, but not so much with our living. Too often the things we want are rulers of our lives. Too often our own needs get all our attention and not the needs of others. This is not what life in your kingdom should look like. Christ our King, you did not come to condemn, but to love. Love us in the power of your forgiveness, and make our lives a witness to your tender kingship. Amen.

RESPONSE (Hymn #572) “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

Kyrie

ALL: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

ALL: Amen!

***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

(At this time the children may leave for Sonshine Mountain.)

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

2 Samuel 23:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

“The Earth Is the Lord’s”

Beebe

GOSPEL READING

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

John 18:33-37

SERMON

“Fit for a King”

Rev. Victoria ByRoade

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Westminster Larger Confession: 7.155

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

PEOPLE: **Christ executes the office of a king, in calling out of the world a people to himself; and giving them officers, laws, and censures, by which he visibly governs them; in bestowing saving grace upon his elect, rewarding their obedience, and correcting them for their sins, preserving and supporting them under all their temptations and sufferings; restraining and overcoming all their enemies, and powerfully ordering all things for his own glory, and their good. Amen.**

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Elizabeth Rodzewicz

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

“Trio on LOBE DEN HERREN”

arr. Harris

***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 #142**

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”

Coronation

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE (Hymn #145)**

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

Marion

CHOIR: At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

ALL: **Then on, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!**
Your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King!
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

***CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE**

“Lobe den Herren”

setting by Hal Hopson

(The congregation is invited to leave the sanctuary in silence as the Postlude is played.)

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

NEXT SUNDAY, November 29, 2009 will be the First Sunday in Advent. *The scripture readings will be: Psalm 25:1-10 (Pew Bible page 436); Jeremiah 33:14-16 (page 645) After Jeremiah’s difficult prophesies of desolation and God’s anger with Israel, these verses offer restoration and reconciliation. 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 (page 960) Paul encourages the community which has supported him. Luke 21:25-36 (page 857) These verses offer signs and parables of the return of Jesus Christ to earth.*

PRAYER FOR PEACE - ORGAN DONORS Each day, about 77 people receive organ transplants. However, 19 people die each day waiting for transplants that can't take place because of the shortage of donated organs. Did you know that most people can donate an organ and that you are never too old to donate? Even people with health problems can be candidates to donate an organ. Each organ and tissue donor saves or improves the lives of as many as 50 people. Giving the "Gift of Life" may lighten the grief of the donor's own family. Many donor families say that knowing other lives have been saved helps them cope with their tragic loss. Most people needing organ transplants are 50 years old or older, but there are more than 50,000 people in the United States under 34 years of age who need an organ transplant, and more than 150,000 people 35 to 49 years of age who are also waiting for organs. To become an organ donor, there are a few steps to take: **Register with your state donor registry.** You can do this online, or **designate your decision on your driver’s license.** Do this when you obtain or renew your license. **Sign a donor card now.** Carry the donor card with you until you can designate your donation decision on your driver’s license or join a donor registry.

It’s also important to **talk to your family now about your donation decision.** Help your family understand your wish to be an organ and tissue donor before a crisis occurs. Then they will be prepared to serve as your advocate. *Dear Father in Heaven, bless us as we consider becoming a faithful organ donor, bless our families with understanding. Help our bodies serve others in all the ways possible when we, in your time, are ready to pass from this life. Bless the families waiting for help and give them strength, courage and patience. In your precious name we pray, 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. Before “THE WORD”, girls and boys PK4 through 5th grade are invited to attend Sunday school on “Sonshine Mountain”. 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: Doug Davis, Chuck Jones, Margie Skinner, Ginger Watson

LITURGIST: David Walthall

ACOLYTE: Jonathan Gibbs

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

Ron and Ginger Watson in celebration of their 44th wedding anniversary
Marion Takaeki Yongue in memory of Edna Yongue Boyer and Agnes Yongue Bates

TODAY’S OPPORTUNITIES

8:45 a.m. – Worship Café
9:30 a.m. – Sunday School/Fellowship
10:30 a.m. – Traditional Worship
2:00 p.m. – “Blessing of the Animals”

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Monday (23rd) 10:00 a.m. Strong for Life
7:00 p.m. Financial Peace University
Tuesday (24th) 7:30 p.m. Transit (Young Adult Group)
Wednesday (25th)
Thursday (26th) **NO ACTIVITIES**
HAPPY THANKSGIVING – OFFICE CLOSED
Friday (27th) **OFFICE CLOSED**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27 to observe the Thanksgiving holidays. *Pastor ByRoade will be on vacation Monday, November 23 through Friday, November 27.*

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS Sign up in Hager Hall on the bulletin board to sponsor a poinsettia for the December 20th and 24th worship services. Cost is \$8.00 per plant. They may be taken home following the 11:00 p.m. service on Christmas Eve.

IT’S TEA TIME! High Tea at High Noon on Saturday, December 12 in Hager Hall hosted by Sarah Circle. We are excited to have Emily Harris, Teaching Artist/Storyteller as our guest. Tickets for the tea are \$6.00. Reservations can be made through your circle leader or by calling Lynn Steuernagle at 736-3850. The deadline for reservations is Monday, December 7. We hope you will join us for a delightful and special afternoon.

CHRISTMAS “MOURNING” SERVICE Sunday, December 6 at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary for those who find the holidays overwhelming, sad, or lonely. This service is designed to help bring holiday memories and grief together in a supportive spiritual environment. See Pastor ByRoade for details.

PREPARING FOR ADVENT Wednesday, December 2, from 7 – 8 p.m. in Hager Hall. As we begin our spiritual preparation for the celebration of the birth of Christ, join this program about the Season of Advent led by Rev. Victoria ByRoade -5-

FIRST FRIDAY CONVERSATIONS GROUP TOUR OF HEP (Homeless Emergency Project) December 4. Dating back 40 years, HEP is the oldest and largest provider of emergency and transitional housing and support services to the homeless in Pinellas County. HEP has a 244 bed facility in Clearwater (dorms and apartments) and is affiliated with Everybody’s Tabernacle Church, Morton Plant Hospital, and Pinellas County Human Services. Join this First Friday Conversation group tour. Newcomers always welcome. Carpool from the church parking lot at 10:15 a.m. Lunch at HEP (\$5.00 donation). Shop at the HEP Thrift Store after lunch. Return by 1 p.m. **PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED** by December 3rd – call the church office at 733-2318. Program Coordinator: Bev Weese

FIRST SAMARITANS Be among the FIRST to come to the FIRST meeting of the FIRST Samaritans. This FIRST meeting will be on the FIRST Monday, Dec. 7 at 7 PM In the FIRST Church Library. This FIRST meeting will focus on FIRST training and FIRST opportunity to call on a FIRST member as a FIRST Samaritan. For more information call Welch Agnew, 738-1319; Peggy George, 447-9880; or Mary Walthall, 733-4609 for FIRST hand information. Be FIRST!

CHRISTMAS INTERNATIONAL HOUSE Do you have your Christmas plans in place yet? Do you have space for an international visitor or two? You many want to consider Christmas International House, a Christian ministry designed to offer hospitality to students during the Christmas holidays. International students are given the opportunity to visit an American home and become acquainted with different areas of the country. Students from different colleges and universities around the country select the Tampa Bay area and are housed for a portion of the time at Cedarkirk Camp and Conference Center in Lithia and the rest of the time in local homes. You would need to house the students from December 23 until December 27. Call Kathy Schultz at 795-2751 from more information.

ADVENT FESTIVAL Calling all chili and craft lovers! Our Annual Advent Festival and Chili Cook-Off will be held on Sunday, Dec. 6 from 5:00 – 7:00. There will food, crafts, music and fun for the whole family! Please call Linda Thies at 736-3058 or email her at linthies@earthlink.net and let her know if you can make a pot of chili, bring a craft, or help with preparations.

COFFEEHOUSE Tuesday, November 24. Come join us this Tuesday downstairs in “The Station” at 7:00 p.m. We will be serving coffee, tea, and hot cocoa. This night features open mic performances and plenty of entertainment for all ages. For more information call Luke Phillips 727-288-7185. We hope to see you there!

THE ROSE ON THE ORGAN is in celebration of the birth of Joseph Anthony Arroyo, grandson of Jim and Laura Gibbs, born November 14 in Berwyn, IL.

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.)

- *Mary Greenlee-Krull, mother of Joanne Maddox, following cancer surgery*
- *John Eichenberger, nephew of David and Bobbie Eichenberger, preparing to be fitted for his first prosthesis*
- *Anne Trahan, mother of Betsi Lewis-Knapp, under Hospice care*
- *Scott Miller, friend of Debbie and Keith Watson, diagnosed with lung cancer*
- Hazel Aughenbaugh at Manor Care following a fall
- Ron McDermott at Consolate of St. Petersburg rehab center
- Blanche Kirchoffer recovering at Baytree Rehab
- Mae Harrington, daughter of Leona Baker Everitt, following surgery on November 2
- Jean Joiner at home recovering from surgery
- Marge Vilsoet, Don Hart, and Monica Adams undergoing cancer treatments
- Sandi Geller, family friend of Dave and Bobbie Eichenberger, following surgery
- Thelma Powell recuperating at home following knee surgery
- Paul Kuehner recovering from cancer surgery
- Fran Iosa, mother of Jeff Iosa, being treated for cancer
- For improved health: Barbara Frett, Marion Guthrie, Martha Brinklow, Betsy Perkins, Bill Vilsoet, Sharyn Ramirez, Lois Krebs, Dotsie Dauble, Peg Harvie, Dee Faust, Walter Brashear, Dave Dauble, Eva Marcantel
- 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 Financial Status on: November 18, 2009

<i>Operating Funds</i>	<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Surplus (Deficit)</i>
Church	\$ 332,815	\$ 416,659	\$ (88,844)
Pre-School	\$ 203,710	\$ 193,670	\$ 10,040
Totals:	\$ 536,525	\$ 610,329	\$ (73,804)

Tithes and other contributions to First Church are almost 10 percent below expectations for this point in the year.

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