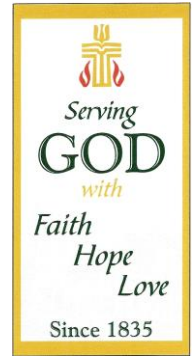


A Celebration of Holy Communion Sunday, October 6, 2013 11 a.m.



THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .

PRELUDE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND SHARING OF COMMUNITY LIFE

INTROIT

“Holy Is The Lord”

Traditional

Music by Franz Schubert (1826)

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Even when we feel most alone and everything
seems hopeless,

**People: We remember the faithfulness of God and
our hope is restored.**

Leader: When our circumstances make it difficult to
sing the Lord’s song,

**People: We remember God’s acts of saving grace
and our hope is restored.**

Let us worship the God of hope!

*** HYMN OF PRAISE No. 276**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*** UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, you are good to those who seek you and wait for you. Great is your faithfulness. Yet we confess that the fires of our faith often burn low. We have relaxed the standard of sound teaching, and we see the results in our own lives, in the life of the church, and in the culture around us. Our sins testify to our lack of love and self-discipline. Forgive us, O God, and fill us anew with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Give us the power and the integrity by which we may bear witness to him, unafraid of the world and unashamed of the gospel.

*** PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION IN SILENCE**

*** THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*** THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE** *Gloria Patri*

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.

TO HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD . . .

A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN

(Children age 5 and under are excused to go downstairs after our Children's Time)

ANTHEM

**“O Lord, My God, You Are My Refuge”
Johann Sebastian Bach - arr. Hal Hopson**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Colossians 4: 5-6
Pew Bible Pg#259

The Response: Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“YOU SHALL BE MY WITNESSES”

Rev. Dr. Ted Land

TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD.....

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***HYMN OF ASSURANCE No. 341**

Assurance

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine”

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

***THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

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. Amen.**

TO CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER...

*** INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

*** THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you,

People: and also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(Please hold the elements until all have been served.)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND SUPPLICATION

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.**

TO GO OUT AND SERVE . . .

*** HYMN NO. 517 “We Come As Guests Invited”**

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** THE RESPONSE FOR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION**

Ar Hyd Y Nos

**Go my children with my blessing, never alone,
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are my own.
In my love’s baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go my children, with my blessing – you are my own.**

**I, the Lord, will bless and keep you and give you peace.
I, the Lord, will smile upon you and give you peace:
I, the Lord, will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, my children, I will keep you and give you peace.**

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*** POSTLUDE**

*** All who can do so comfortably will stand**

To Our Guests – Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Marianna. We are happy to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join us each Sunday, as we worship and study God’s word. If you would like more information concerning our church, you may fill out one of the *Welcome* cards in the pews and place it on the offering plate, talk to the ushers or the pastor, or call the church office.

Nursery care is available for children Kindergarten and below during our Worship Service each Sunday morning. Children may be taken to the nursery before the service begins, or after the Time with Our Children. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is not served to children in our nursery, so if they wish to receive, they should remain in the service with their families this morning.

Everyone who seeks to love and serve our Lord Jesus Christ is invited to share in the **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** with us. According to the tradition of this congregation, we will hold the bread and the cup in order that we might eat and drink together when we are invited to do so. You are encouraged to hold the bread with the napkin provided as you break off your piece.

The **arrangements** gracing the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God, and in memory of Dexter and Jay McCaskill Hutchison by her daughter, Macky Gortemoller, in celebration of World Communion Sunday. They remind us of the symbols of bread and wine that are shared together in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which was ordained by our Lord Jesus Christ. Today, we share this holy Sacrament with Christians all over the world.

Our Prayer Calendar: Linda and David Stewart (requested by Jake Gunter), Sherry Stone (requested by Susie Stevens), Larry Stevens and Bill Stevens (requested by Kathy Milton), Olivia McDaniel (requested by Betty and Mary) Peggy Keaton (requested by Joy Lewis), Nona Grace Eade (requested by Dale and Cindy Eade), Stanley Littleton, Dr. Wade Crankshaw (requested by Rev. Ted Land), Kena Nelson (requested by Larry and Hazel Nelson), Piper Montana Smith (niece of Polly Land) and Millie Sica.

Every Sunday morning there are **Sunday School Classes** for all age groups between 9:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. There are three classes for Adults. Next Sunday the Adults in the parlor will be studying, A Promise to Sarah *Genesis 17:15-17; 18:9-15; 21:1-7*. Upstairs the Adult Class in Room 4 will be studying the texts and the Adult class in Room 2 will be praying the texts to be used in our Worship Service.

The Peacemaking Offering will be received this morning. Our 25% of this offering will go to support the Einstein Camps to be held at Dogwood Acres. Offerings will also be received the entire month of October.

The next **Pals Luncheon** will be Tuesday, October 15, at 12 noon in the Fellowship hall. The reservation deadline is Monday, October 14, at 10:00 a.m. Call the office at 526-2430, e-mail firstpresmarianna@earthlink.net, or write your reservation on one of the cards in the Church pews.

There will be a **Congregational meeting** following the worship service next Sunday, October 13 to elect Ruling Elders for the class of 2016.

This week in the life of the church . . .

Today	World Communion Sunday
Monday	Ladies Exercise Class at 9 a.m. Circle 1 meets at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor Lunch Bunch meets at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Betty Joyce Hand Circle II meets at 4 p.m. in the fellowship hall.
Tuesday	Bagging for our food pantry at 1:30 p.m. The volunteers are Bob Pitman, Marianne Lonsinger and Donna Moore Autism Support Group at 6:00 p.m. Wildflowers meet at 6:30 p.m. at the home of LuAnn Law

Wednesday Food pantry is open from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. The volunteers are Ron and Willie Mae Goold, Hazel Nelson and Louise Pumphrey
Wild, Wonderful, Wednesday Children's Group at 3:45 p.m.
Choir Practice at 5:15 p.m.
JuBELLees at 5:30 p.m.
Covered Dish Supper at 6:30 p.m.

Friday Ladies Exercise Class 9 a.m.

Sunday (13th) Mission and Service Committee in the church office at 8:45 a.m.
Coffee and Juice at 9:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall
Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m.
Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Congregational Meeting after worship service
Worship and Music Committee in Parlor at 12:15 p.m.

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Ted Land
Ruling Elder of the Month: Marcus Green
Church Administrator: Valerie Marlow
Director of Music: Lawrence R. Nelson
Organist: Staley Littleton
Guest Organist: Lou Wilkinson
Custodian: Melissa Krebeck
Food Pantry Coordinator: Melissa Krebeck
Nursery Assistants: Mary Skipper and Trey Weeks

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