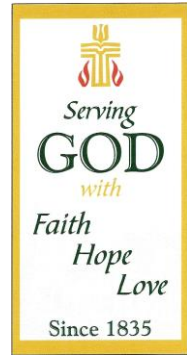


First Presbyterian Church Service of Worship

August 16, 2015
11 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS . .



PRELUDE

With the first notes of the organ, please silently prepare yourself for worship.

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND SHARING OF COMMUNITY LIFE

HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 324

Verses 1&4

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to God with all your heart.

People: Great are the works of the Lord!

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful to us,

People: faithfully feeding us, day by day.

HYMN OF PRAISE No. 469

“Morning Has Broken”

* UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE GOSPEL READING

Ephesians 5: 15-20
Pew Bible Pg# 952

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

ANTHEM

“Twenty-Third Psalm” **An Interpretation by Frances Waterman**

All around me deep inside me, my creator sings His song, and its music is the beauty of this world where I belong.

With the sun he lifts my eyes up to behold His righteousness,
On the wind he sends me comfort, with the rain He sends me rest.

Though the clouds of sorrow gather, and the night falls all too soon,
Hope of morning fills my dwelling, and my fears can find no room.

Surely goodness is not fleeting, surely mercy is not dust,
I will go into forever on His rising wings of trust.

SERMON

"A Time of Opportunity "

Rev. Dr. James H. Huffaker

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION No. 327**

“O Word of God Incarnate”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in God, whose love we know in the beauty of his world, in daily bread, in the kindness of human hearts, and most clearly in Jesus of Nazareth. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, whose touch of grace makes our eyes to see, our ears to hear, strengthens us to do all things in him, and delivers us from death to life. We believe in the Holy Spirit in whose power there is peace, in whose presence there is joy, and in whose promise we dare to be more.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF SILENT PRAYER

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.

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 GO OUT AND SERVE

*** HYMN OF PROCLAMATION No. 555**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***THE RESPONSE FOR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION**

“What Does the Lord Require”

Everyone, one time: What does the Lord require of you?

What does the Lord require of you?

Just women, one time: To seek justice and love kindness
and walk humbly with your God.

Everyone together, two times In Unison

(Ladies sing): To seek justice and love kindness
and walk humbly with your God.

(Men sing): What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you?

***POSTLUDE**

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

We welcome our guest preacher this morning Rev. Dr. James Huffaker.

Dr. Huffaker grew up in East Tennessee. He received his Master's of Divinity and Doctorate of Ministry from Columbia Theological Seminary and a Master's in Christian Education from Presbyterian School of Christian Education. He is married to Almeda Shimer and they have 3 children and twin granddaughters. He has served Churches in Virginia, Florida and Georgia.

To Our Guests – Welcome to the 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 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 **Flowers gracing our Sanctuary this morning** are given to the Glory of God by Robert and Beverly Hinson and in memory of Clyatt Granger and Rudolph and Earline Hinson.

Our Prayer Calendar: Dr. Joe Gay, Earl Carroll by (requested by Hazel Nelson), Ned Grove (requested by Betty Joyce Hand), Bob Ward (requested by Mary Wierman), Kena Nelson (requested by Hazel Nelson), David Clark (requested by Mel McLure), Marie Lanier (requested by Joy Lewis), Destry Burch (requested by Mary Schmidt), Harold and Tammy Pumphrey (requested by Louise Pumphrey), Louise Pumphrey, Matt Lein, Gina Stuart, Joy Gilbert, Daun Crews, Stanley Littleton, JoAnn Rountree, Dr. Wade Crankshaw (requested by Rev. Ted Land), Piper Montana Smith (niece of Polly Land), Sid Riley 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: God Demands Justice *Zechariah 7:8-14*. Upstairs the Adult Class in Room 4 will be studying the texts to be used in the worship service.

Wild Wonderful Wednesday after school children's program begins this Wednesday, August 19 from 3:30 p.m. until 5:15 p.m.

This week in the life of the church . .

- Monday Ladies Exercise Class at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- Tuesday Bagging for the Food Pantry at 1:30 p.m.
Administration meets at 5:15 p.m.
- Wednesday Food Pantry open from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Wild Wonderful Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:15 p.m.
Choir Practice at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday Caregivers Group at 5:30 p.m.
- Friday Ladies Exercise Class at 9 a.m.
- Sunday (23rd) Coffee and Juice at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Educational Classes for all Ages at 9:45 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal at 9:45 a.m.
Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Guest Preacher Walt H. Reese
Food Pantry Offering
Youth Group at 6:00 p.m.

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. James Huffaker
Ruling Elder: Ellie Lawson
Church Administrator: Valerie Marlow
Organist: Stanley Littleton
Pantry Coordinator: Melissa Krebeck
Nursery Assistants: Tina Wilson and Carlee Wilson

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