

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH



(USA)

**The Presbytery of Florida
At
First Presbyterian Church
Of Marianna
Installation of John Wamsley, Pastor**

Sunday, March 13, 2016 at 4:00 PM

THE PRELUDE

Stanley Littleton

THE OPENING AND INTRODUCTIONS

Stephen Graves

OPENING PRAYER

Stephen Graves

THE HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 138

“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION –unison-

Peggy Peacock

Almighty God, by water and your Holy Spirit you baptized us to be your own and called the church into being. We confess that we hold back the love of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us. O God. Transform our lives by the power of your Holy Spirit and make strong our common witness. in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Praise God, for by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have been saved through faith.
Amen.

People: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you. Amen and Amen!

THE GLORIA PATRI No. 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 PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dan Mitchell

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 34:1-10
Pew Bible Page #44

ANTHEM

“Create in me a Clean Heart, O God”

**Text: Psalm
Music: Carl Mueller**

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 10:19-22
Pew Bible Page #976

THE SERMON “A Full Assurance of Faith”

Dan Mitchell

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Leader: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

In Unison: That I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION # 339**

“Be Thou My Vision”

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

Mark Broadhead

THE OFFERTORY

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**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.

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

A LITANY OF GIFTS

Stephen Graves

(L=leader; P=people)

L: As in one body we have many parts and each part has its own function, so all of us together with Christ are one body, and we all belong to each other.

P: We have different gifts according to the grace God has given us.

L: If your gift is to hear God’s Word, speak it out in faith. If your gift is service, live to serve others.

P: If your gift is the heart of a teacher, teach what is true.

L: Let preachers preach with conviction, and givers give freely; let officers work diligently for the people, and let those who serve the poor, serve gladly.

P: Let us not lack for enthusiasm, but be ardent in spirit, serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope, patient in suffering, constant in prayer, supporting one another, and welcoming all.

ALL: Lead us forward in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen!

PRESENTATION OF PASTOR-ELECT

Jennifer Stafford

THE INSTALLATION

THE CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

Stephen Graves

- Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son,**

and Holy Spirit? Do You?

- **Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? Do you?**
- **Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and those confessions as you lead the people of God? Do you and will you?**
- **Will you be a minister of the Word and Sacrament in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture and continually guided by the confessions?**
- **Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you?**
- **Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? Will you?**
- **Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? Will you?**
- **Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? Do you?**
- **Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? Will you?**
- **Will you be a faithful minister, proclaiming the good news in Word and Sacrament, teaching faith, and caring for people? Will you be active in the governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? Will you?**

THE QUESTIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

Peggy Peacock

- **Do we, the members of the church, accept John Wamsley as our pastor, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ? Do we? (*We do*)**

- **Do we agree to encourage him, to respect his decisions, and to follow as he guides us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?**
Do we? (*We do*)
- **Do we promise to pay him fairly, and provide for his welfare as he works among us; to stand by him in trouble, and share his joy? Will we listen to the word he preaches, welcome his pastoral care, and honor his authority as he seeks to honor and obey Jesus Christ our Lord?**
Do we and will we? (*We do and we will.*)

THE PRAYER OF INSTALLATION **Gary Cecil and Sheila Palmer**

THE DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION **Stephen Graves**

THE CHARGE TO THE PASTOR **Jennifer Stafford**

THE CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION **Jack Homoney**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER **Gary Cecil and
Sheila Palmer**

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

REMARKS AND THE BENEDICTION **John Wamsley**

THE HYMN OF PARTING NO. 525 **“Here I am, Lord”**

THE POSTLUDE **Stanley Littleton**

Please join us after the service for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall.

**Heartfelt thanks to the
Installation Commission and Participants**

**Stephen Graves, Chair, Pastor, Lafayette Presbyterian Church, Tallahassee
Dan Mitchell, Pastor, Lynn Haven Presbyterian Church
Mark Broadhead, Pastor, Crestview Presbyterian Church
Gary Cecil, Pastor, Grace Presbyterian Church, Panama City
Sheila Palmer, CRE, St Andrews Presbyterian Church, Panama City
Jack Homoney, CRE, First Presbyterian Church, Chipley
Jennifer Stafford, Elder, First Presbyterian Church, Marianna
Peggy Peacock, Elder, First Presbyterian Church, Marianna**

First Presbyterian Church, Marianna

Hospitality Committee:

Jane Powell, Chair

**Betty Joyce Hand, Alma Milton, Jackie Spivey, Aggie Schack
Joy Hinton, Muriel Turner, Kitty Myers, Mary Lu Andreu
Betty Blighton, Ginger Green, Lou Wilkinson, Peggy Peacock
Mary Ann Gibbs, LuAnne Law, Frankie Stewart, and many others**

**Stanley Littleton, Choir Director and Organist
The Chancel Choir, First Presbyterian Church, Marianna**