

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHIMES

(The congregation is asked to pray for the blessing of God upon this service.)
God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us, the gentleness of your Spirit lead us, and the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our strength. Amen.

PRELUDE *Air* George F. Handel

INTROIT *Sing, Praise and Bless the Lord* Taizé chant
The Summer Women's Choir
Sing, praise and bless the Lord,
Peoples! Nations! Alleluia!

†CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 105)

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
**Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.**
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
**Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually.**
**Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered.**

†OPENING HYMN, No. 262

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand NATIONAL HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Before God and before you, I confess my sin and brokenness:
the ways I wound my life, the lives of others, and the life of the world.

**May God forgive you, Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.**

Amen.

**Before God and before you, we confess our sins and
brokenness: the ways we wound our lives, the lives of
others, and the life of the world.**

May God forgive you, Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

Amen.

(Continue your personal prayer of confession in silence)

KYRIE ELEISON, No. 572 Congregation and Choir

**Lord, have mercy upon us;
Christ, have mercy upon us;
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

†ACT OF PRAISE *Gloria Patri* MEINEKE

**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.**

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Stand, as you are able, and greet one another saying: **"The peace of
Christ be with you."** Respond by saying: **"And also with you."**
(Children are invited to come forward now for A Time with Children.)

THE WORD

A TIME WITH CHILDREN Lindsey Wells Peery

Presentation of Bibles to Worship Readiness Class

*Children, ages 2-3 yrs. who will be going to Extended Session and children,
ages 4-first grade who will be in The Worship Center, may exit at this time
through the right front door, where they will be escorted to the CE Building.*

Leader: As you depart from us now, the children of God say:

Children: God be with you as you stay.

Congregation: God be with you as you go.

**We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, marching,
we are marching in the light of God.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 14:22-33

Pew Bible, page 15; large print, page 19
(Bibles are located in the racks beneath the pews.)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Pew Bible, page 32; large print, page 42
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON *One Way to Go...* Rev. Pendleton Peery

RESPONDING 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 Pon-
tius 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 on 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 com-
munion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the
body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

†HYMN, No. 515 *Now To Your Table Spread* LOVE UNKNOWN

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING

Offertory *Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive* Arr. Austin C. Lovelace
The Summer Women's Choir
(The text may be found on page 347 of the hymnal.)

†Doxology, No. 592 OLD HUNDREDTH

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

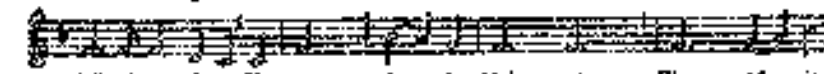
... who forever sing to the glory of your name:



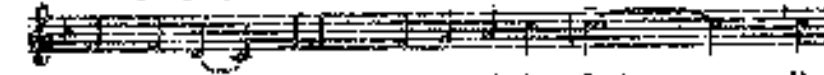
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord.



God of pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are



full of your glory, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is

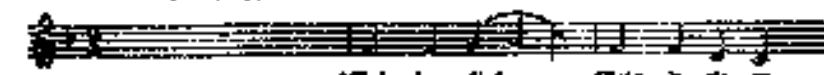


he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Come to the mystery of faith:

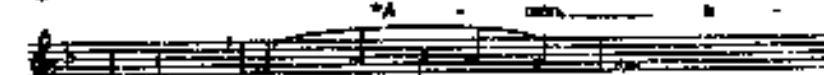


*Christ has died, Christ is risen.



Christ will come again.

... All glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, now and forever.



The Lord's Prayer
Communion of the People
Prayer after Communion

†HYMN, No. 404 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* PRECIOUS LORD

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†RESPONSE *Through the Love of God Our Saviour*
Welsh melody

The Summer Women's Choir

Through the love of God our Saviour, All shall be well; Free and changeless is his favor; All must be well; Precious is the love that healed us, Perfect is the grace that sealed us, Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us, All, all is well.	We expect a bright tomorrow, All will be well; Faith can sing through days of sorrow, All must be well; While his truth we are applying, And upon his love relying, God is every need supplying. All, all is well.
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†POSTLUDE *The Rejoicing* George F. Handel

† Worshipers standing if able.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Community Volunteers
of First Presbyterian Church
by Don and Gwen Hall.

Elder Reader: Robert Folsom
Ushers: Neil Erwin (captain), Glenda Erwin, Carol Shockey, John Guth, Margaret Schuetze, Paul Schuetze, Stephen Glassell, Berry Glassell
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WORSHIP NOTES

WE WELCOME FRIENDS AND VISITORS. This church is for anyone who wants to be counted as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and who wants to be included in its worship and work. Thank you for signing your name and address on the attendance pad. There is an information center with material about our church and Presbyterianism in the foyer of the Jordan Street entrance to the sanctuary.

CHILDCARE IS PROVIDED FOR PRESCHOOL CHILDREN by Sitters' Registry and church volunteers. Nursery: Room CE-106; Extended Session during 11:00 a.m. worship for ages 2 yrs.—3 yrs.: Room CE-105 and The Worship Center for ages 4 yrs.—first grade: Room CE-113.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP! Bibles are available for use during worship; they are found at the end of every pew. We also provide **Worship Bags** designed for children elementary age and younger. The worship bags can be found in the narthex and at the front entrances to the sanctuary. Please return them after the service.

WE WELCOME our Summer Women's Choir to the choir loft for August! For more information on rehearsals and what to expect, see the announcement in the bulletin Link.

THE CHILDREN receiving Bibles today are 2nd and 3rd graders who are participating in the Worship Readiness Class this year. These children are participating in a month long course that will prepare them for full participation in worship. The children in the class are: Dubby Grantham, Jenna Hall, Jinsy Hardison, Paige Harris, GraceAnne Hodgson, Frances Kalmbach, Jackson McNeill, Mia Peterson, Edie Pudwill, and Emma Whited.

WE EXPRESS SINCERE SYMPATHY to Joe McCulloch and family in the death of his mother, Frances Younts, of Sumter, South Carolina, July 25, 2011, and we rejoice with them in the assurance of resurrection.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Amy Updegraff and Garrett Staples, who were married July 30, 2011.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE: We continue to be grateful for the congregation's financial support of our church's mission and ministry. Please keep your pledges to the annual budget up to date, especially in the summer months. Thank you!



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
SHREVEPORT

A Service for the Worship of God
Eleven O'Clock
August 7, 2011

"We will have to repent
in this generation
not merely for the hateful
words and actions
of the bad people
but for the appalling silence
of the good people."

-The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
(from "A Letter from a Birmingham Jail")

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us worship God.