

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Transfiguration Sunday

February 19, 2012

10:15 am

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the house of God.
Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord
speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.
Meditation Passage: Psalm 50:1-6

Assemble in God's Name

BIBLICAL AND INFORMAL GREETING

*Following brief announcements, the congregation is invited to prepare in silence for worship.
Please use this time to pray, to meditate, or to read the Meditation passage for today.*

MOMENT FOR MISSION

PRELUDE

“Prelude from “Judicium Salomonis”

Charpentier

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Carla Darling

Hallelujah! Let us give thanks to the Lord and call on God's name.

We will tell everyone what God has done for us.

We will sing songs and hymns of praise because of God's faithful and wonderful deeds.

We will honor God's holy name and seek the Lord with our whole hearts.

We will watch and listen for God's presence.

God has made a world of wonders and shared it with us.

We will worship with thanks and praise.

*HYMN NO. 142 (blue)

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

Coronation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Holy God, you are so far beyond our understanding; your glory is more than we can comprehend.
We persist in making you too small; we restrict your wisdom and mercy to what we can explain.
Forgive us. Open our eyes to your infinite splendor and make us more faithful, that we may follow,
in trust, wherever you lead.***

PERIOD OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*RESPONSE

“Gloria, Gloria”

No. 576 (blue)

Proclaim God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. George Spransy

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 2:1-12
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

(OT Pg. 332)

ANTHEM:

“Ave Verum Corpus”
*Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary:
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man.
From whose pierced side flowed water and blood:
Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death.*

Mozart

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:2-9
The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, O Christ!

(NT Pg. 44)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“Mountain-top Experiences”

Rev. George Spransy

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.***

*HYMN 324 (Blue)

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

Open My Eyes

Give Thanks To God

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

*The congregation will be led in prayer, concluding with our Lord's prayer (traditional, page 16 of the hymnal).
We use “debts” and “debtors.”*

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Please sign the Fellowship Register and pass it on.

OFFERTORY

“Consolation”

Mendelssohn

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise. Generous and loving God, who provides for our every need, and gives us more than we need, so that we can share generously with others: receive these gifts from our hands, and consecrate them to your purposes so that they may go from this place and embody your love. In the name and spirit of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Go In God's Name

*HYMN NO. 50 (white)

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

arr. Manz

**Indicates those who are able, please stand.*

WE EXTEND A WARM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WELCOME to all visitors who are worshipping with us this morning. If you are visiting, we would welcome the opportunity to tell you more about our church family. Please sign the Fellowship Register in your pew and include information that will enable us to be in touch with you.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS in the Fellowship Hall today after worship for “Sip and Chat,” a time for fellowship. All are welcome. We also invite you to take part in the life of this congregation by participating in any activity that can help you on your spiritual journey. Regular Sunday activities are:

9:00 – Sunday School

10:15—Worship Service

11:30—Sip and Chat in Fellowship Hall

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY are given to the glory of God by Brian and Emily Schuck in honor of Jessie’s birthday.

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ADVERTISEMENT in the Marietta Times has been provided this week by Rev. George Spransy in gratitude for the congregation’s recognition of his birthday.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP SPREAD First Presbyterian’s Good News, friendliness and caring to those who may not know us yet, you could honor a loved one or special joy in your life by contributing \$15 to sponsor a week of running our church advertisement. Look for the Newspaper Ad Sign-Up Sheet near the Flower Sign up Sheet in the lower level Wooster Street bulletin board area.

Stewardship is... *Giving the poor something to eat during Lent.*

THE LONG-AWAITED CHURCH DIRECTORY IS AVAILABLE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL. Please pick up the copy with your name on the directory if you have a picture listed. If you didn’t have a picture taken, but desire a copy, please add your name to the list as you pick up your copy. One copy per family, please.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS THIS MORNING:

ACOLYTE: Sophie Evans

CHILDREN’S SERMON: Rev. George Spransy

FLOWER DELIVERY: Jim Lawson and Emily Schuck

JUNIOR CHURCH: Nancy Murdock

SIP AND CHAT: Stephen and Mary Rachel Carr

USHERS: John and Vivian Hammat, Matt and Mark Wieferich, and Nan Cervantes

WORSHIP LEADER: Carla Darling

THE FLOWER CHART, which is posted in the reception area adjacent to the Fellowship Hall, for sanctuary flowers during worship is in need of names for 2012. Please remember to add the occasion for the flowers in order to save a phone call. The cost is \$15 for a regular arrangement.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will meet at the church at noon on Monday, February 20. Lou Moore is the hostess and Di Krivchenia will be leading the lesson.

THE SEASON OF LENT BEGINS on Ash Wednesday, February 22. The congregation will gather for a Potluck Supper at 6:00 p.m., followed by an Ash Wednesday service of worship with the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

THANKS TO A VERY CARING CONGREGATION, \$607.17 WAS COLLECTED ON SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY FOR THE MARIETTA COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY. A big thank you also goes out to each of the wonderful chefs that donated a pot of soup for Soup and Chat. Thank you all for helping to make sure that the hungry in our community have food to eat.

THE 2012 PER CAPITA IS \$26.74. The per capita assessment represents our share of the administrative expenses of the whole Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Per capita is not an optional expense for our church, but represents our commitment to the church beyond ourselves. Please consider making an additional contribution of \$26.74 for each family member who is an active member of First Presbyterian Church.

PALM SUNDAY CONCERT—Rehearsals will continue today at 3:00 pm for Faure's "Requiem" and the "Cantique de Jean Racine". We are inviting several area churches to participate and will have an instrumental ensemble accompanying us. If you are interested in participating, please see Peter Sour after worship. General information flyers are also available on the bulletin boards.

THE BULLETIN BOARD/WINDOW DISPLAY NEAR THE ELEVATOR ON THE GROUND FLOOR is in need of a little attention. If you have an idea or would like to brighten that area up with a bulletin board idea or display for Lent and/or Easter, please let Bonnie know. If you can't do Lent or Easter, and would like to do something later in the year, let her know that as well, and the space will be "reserved" for you. Thanks!

PIONEER PRESCHOOL will be doing a fundraiser with Smitty's Pizza this February. On February 14, 21, and 28 fifty cents from each pizza or sub ordered will go to Pioneer Preschool. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND AMPLIFIED HEARING DEVICES are available to the congregation during worship. Ask an usher if you would like to use one of these worship aids.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF
February 19—26, 2012**

Today

9:00 – Sunday School
10:15 – Worship
11:30 – Sip and Chat
in Fellowship Hall
3:00 – Palm Sunday Concert practice

Monday **Office Closed**

12:00 – PW Meeting in Library
6:15 – Worship and Music Meeting

Tuesday

5:00 – Book Club
6:00 – E.V.E., Inc.

Wednesday

11:00 – PEO
5:00 – Westminster Bells rehearse
6:00 – Manna Potluck
7:00 – Ash Wednesday Service in the
Sanctuary

Thursday

12:00 – Bulletin Material is due
5:30 – Stamp Up
7:00 – AA

Friday

Saturday

8:00 – Men's Fellowship
9:00 – 12 Step AA

Next Sunday – February 26

9:00 – Sunday School
10:15 – Worship
3:00 – Palm Sunday Concert practice

Sermon: “New Beginnings”
Scripture: Mark 1:9-15

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Susan Schreiber 19
Jeff Hammons 20
Jacob Norton 21
Joe Hoerst 22
Carla Darling 23
Carmen Donnelly 23
Peggy Malcomb 24
Sophie Evans 25
Chuck Hampton 27

Jeannie Harper
Eileen Hayes
Katy Heintzman
Dave Karodi, Sr.
Dave Karodi, Jr.
Cynthia Kim
*Amy Lamb
Sam Lipscomb
Larry Marzetti
Rev. Bob Metz
Doug and Elaine Midkiff
Jim Miracle
Sue Murdock
Jennie Norbert
Amy Norman
Ann Ogg and family
Ose Family
Charlotte Ritter
Pat Sack
Marshall Scott
Jo Seyler
*Larry Slater
John Smith
Althea Southwick

Skip Spicer
Paula Tackas
Elvin Tenney
Bob Thrasher
Imogene Tidwell
Blaine Weinstock
Breanne Williams
Debbie Wilson
Terry Wilson
Kinley, Katrina, Karoline, Kate
Winchester
Judy Wurtzbacher
Kagondo Rural Development
Center, Kenya

PRAYER LIST

Pastor Nominating Committee
*Cyndy Anderson
Rev. Ned Benson
Lenora Brown
Richie Burdette
Betty Cooper
Cindy Douglas
Geneva Dungan
Nancy Duquette
*Tommy Edinger
Elizabeth Felton

MILITARY

Tony Porreca (Ft. Hood)
Steven Boran (US Navy)
SSgt Laura Schuelke (Qatar
USAF)
Michael Waldron (USMC)
Afghanistan

