

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

January 22, 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 62:5-12

### 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

“Kyrie from ‘Messe Pour Les Convents’

Couperin

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

For God alone our souls wait in silence, for our hope comes from God.

Ben Ebenhack

***God alone is our rock, our salvation, and our fortress.***

We shall not be shaken.

***God is our rock and our refuge.***

Let us pour out our hearts before the Lord, who is our strength and shield.

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 145 (blue)

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Marion

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***Infinite God, your love extends beyond every boundary, your mercy breaches every barrier. We do not love as you do; we are stingy with our affection and cautious in giving care. We guard the lines that separate us from others instead of seeking to overcome them. Forgive us. Teach us your boundless love and infuse us with your mercy, that we might live more faithfully and love more freely.***

#### 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

Dick Crago

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:21-28  
The Gospel of Christ.  
*Praise to you, O Christ!*

(NT Pg. 35)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

**“By What Authority”**

Rev. George Spransy

ANTHEM

“We Believe – The Apostles’ Creed”

arr. Purifoy

*We believe in God the Father, Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again and 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. We believe in the Holy Spirit and the worldwide Church, the communion of all the saints, the forgiveness of every sin, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

### **The Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons**

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER FOR ELDERS AND DEACONS AND THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

WELCOME TO THE NEW OFFICERS

CHARGE TO THOSE ORDAINED AND INSTALLED

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*Gracious God, pour out your Spirit of power and truth upon the whole church that we may be for you a holy people, baptized to serve you in the world. Sustain this congregation in ministry. Ground us in the gospel, secure our hope in Christ, strengthen our service to the world, and increase our love for one another. Show us the transforming power of your grace in our life together, that we may be servants of the gospel, offering a compelling witness in the world for the good news of Christ Jesus our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

\*HYMN NO. 426 (blue)

“Lord, Speak to Me, That I may Speak”

Canonbury

### **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

“Jesus, the Savior of Mankind”

Willan

\*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. In gratitude for your love that never lets us go, we bring you our gifts, O God. Help us to give with generous grace and to love lavishly as you have so loved us. We pray in the name of Jesus the Christ who taught us to live and to love. Amen.*

**Go In God's Name**

\*HYMN NO. 420 (blue)

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

CWM Rhondda

\*DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“Agnus Dei from ‘Messe Pour Les Convents’”

Couperin

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

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**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 after worship for “Sip and Chat,” a time for fellowship. 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 SANCTUARY FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Kathy Buckley in honor of Jerry Buckley’s eightieth birthday.

**THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ADVERTISEMENT** in the Marietta Times has been provided this week by Arlene Johnson and Bev Bansemer in memory of Charles Friend (husband and father).

**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... appreciating the beauty of winter.**

**NEW OFFICERS ARE BEING ORDAINED AND INSTALLED** this morning. The Session Class of 2014 includes Kathryn Hartline who is being ordained and installed and Gary Brown, Jim North and Rick Peoples who are being installed. The Board of Deacons Class of 2014 includes Nancy McCartney who is being ordained and installed and Mike Elliott, Marla Hoerst, Peggy Malcomb who are being installed. John Scheve will be installed at a later date. Please welcome these new officers who have committed themselves to work on your behalf.

**THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS THIS MORNING:**

USHERS: Stephen and Mary Rachel Carr, Phil and Zack Zeller, and Linda O'Brien

JUNIOR CHURCH: Kristi Kirkham

NURSERY:

SIP AND CHAT: Sally Evans and Ila Alden

WORSHIP LEADER: Ben Ebenhack

FLOWER DELIVERY: Deacons

**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.

**JOIN US FOR MID WEEK MANNA THIS WEDNESDAY.** Dinner is at 6:00 followed by a presentation from the local Hospice group. If you are planning on eating with us, it is most helpful if you sign up on the bulletin board at the bottom of the Wooster Street doors. Hope to see you Wednesday!

**THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held Sunday, January 29, 2012 following the worship service. Copies of the 2011 Annual Report are available on the table in the Narthex.

**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.

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING**—As part of the Souper Bowl of Caring, the youth will be serving bowls of soup immediately after church on February 5, during Soup-n-Chat. If you would like to help the youth by making a pot of soup for them to serve, please let Peggy Malcomb or Pauline Lee know. The Youth will also be standing at the church doors with soup pots to receive your monetary contributions for the Community Food Pantry. Contributions to the Cents-A-Bility Offering may be placed in the pots also.

**PALM SUNDAY CONCERT**—Rehearsals will be starting on Sunday, February 5, 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.

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE** who provided cookies for the Marietta College Boys and Girls Basketball team meal last Sunday. We had a wonderful assortment of cookies. The outreach was a great success thanks to all of you!

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF  
January 22-29, 2012**

Today

9:00 – Sunday School  
10:15 – Worship  
11:15 – Sip & Chat in Fellowship Hall

Monday –

Tuesday

6:00 – AA Potluck  
6:30 – Missions

Wednesday

5:00 – Westminster Bells rehearse  
6:00 – Manna  
7:00 – Choir Practice

Thursday

12:00 – Bulletin Material is due  
7:00 – AA  
6:00 – PNC meets

Friday

Saturday

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

Next Sunday –

9:00 – Sunday School  
10:15 – Worship  
11:15– *Annual Congregational Meeting*

**Sermon:** “In the Middle”

**Scripture:** Luke 3:1-13, 15-20; 7:18-23

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Gloria Finn 22  
Marilyn Mills 24  
Matt Schumaker 24  
Gib Moody 26  
Judy Deering 29  
John Spear 29  
Greta Davis 30  
Kennedy Schuck 30

Elizabeth Felton

Gloria Garee  
Guy Grolla  
Theresa Grolla  
Jeannie Harper  
Eileen Hayes  
Katy Heintzman  
Dave Karodi, Sr.  
Cynthia Kim  
Sam Lipscomb  
Rev. Bob Metz

Doug and Elaine Midkiff  
Sue Murdock  
Mary Neuman  
Marshall Noe  
Jennie Norbert  
Amy Norman  
Ann Ogg and family  
Ose Family  
Pat Sack  
Jo Seyler  
Mary Shaw  
Carol Shipley

Denise Smith

Althea Southwick  
Steve Stoltz  
Paula Tackas  
Elvin Tenney  
Bob Thrasher  
Imogene Tidwell  
Debbie Wilson  
Terry Wilson  
Kinley, Katrina, Karoline, Kate  
Winchester  
Judy Wurtzbacher  
Kagondo Rural Development  
Center, Kenya

**PRAYER LIST**

Pastor Nominating Committee  
\*Cyndy Anderson  
Don Anderson  
Rev. Ned Benson  
Lenora Brown  
Richie Burdette  
Betty Cooper  
Lynn Cox  
Cindy Douglas  
Family of Rev. Elaine Dutton  
Nancy Duquette  
\*Tommy Edinger

**MILITARY**

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

