



WOODSTOCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2011 - 11:00 AM

*“I was glad when they said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the Lord!’” Psalm 122:1*

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even “at home,” for all are welcome in God’s house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. All are invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation immediately following worship.

WPC Vision & Mission Statement

Growing and Building in the Love of Christ
Ephesians 4:16

We ENVISION a church that:

- † Is kind, generous, hospitable and welcoming.
- † Involves everyone in local and global mission.
- † Treats everyone as a Child of God.
- † Shares our time, talents, and treasure.

Our MISSION is to grow and build in:

- † Faith through worship, prayer, and Bible study.
- † Fellowship with one another and with guests.
- † Hospitality shown to our community and world.
- † Facilities that are

* The congregation is invited to stand.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Andante
Adagio in D

J. Rheinberger
G. Merkel

Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the Friendship Pads located in each pew.)

Call to Worship

Thom Picciuto

Leader: Praise the Lord; praise God, O my soul! Let us praise God as long as we live.

People: God alone is worthy of our devotion; we will sing praise to God all our life long.

Leader: Happy are those whose hope is in God, who labor in steadfast faith and love.

People: God lifts up those who are bowed down; prisoners are freed, and the blind see.

Leader: Grace to you and peace, from God whose care we know. Worship now, giving to God all that belongs to God.

People: We bring all that we are to this time of worship. Praise God for the joy inspired by the Holy Spirit.

***Hymn #398** *There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

*Opening Prayer (pray together)

We gather in faith and hope to worship and praise you, God of all people. You have fed us in ways we did not know and have supported us when we had no strength of our own. You turn us from the idols we continue to create. You bring us together to remember the good news of your healing love and to experience the joy of your Spirit moving among us. Thanks be to you, O God, for all your gifts to us. Amen.

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Session Members
(Spiritual Leaders of the Church)

Class of 2011
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Jerry Germroth
Ann Grisdale, Trustee
Eileen Haigh
Thom Picciuto

Class of 2012
Sharon Baroncelli
John Coleman, Trustee
Bob Mertens
Margaret Nelson
Joe O'Rear

Class of 2013
Malinda Johnston, Trustee
Judy Powell
Jennifer Saeler
Barry Thomas
Tony Wilson

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Invitation to Confession of Sin Confessing our Sins to God

We confess, O God, that we have not fulfilled the tasks for which you have chosen us. We have failed to share the joy of faith. We have neglected to learn and pray and witness to your living presence among us. You have not received our full loyalty and devotion. We have found idols to occupy the time you have given us. O God, help us to refocus our energies and reclaim the mission you set before us.....(Time for silent confession)

Words of Assurance and Pardon

L: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting! May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Brothers and sisters, this day and always, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen!

5-Cents-A-Meal Offering

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Anthem *Heaven Came Down & Glory Filled My Soul*
J. Peterson

Scripture Readings

† **Old Testament** Psalm 106:1-5
† **New Testament** Philippians 3:4-14

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord ~
People: Thanks be to God!

Message "Pressing On" Rev. Lisa Webb

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn** (bulletin back) *Higher Ground*

Glory Be to the Father

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 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.

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.

***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 Pontius 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 communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Glory Be to the Father # 579** (words at left of page)

Prayers of the People of God & The Lord's Prayer

Sharing Our Gifts with God and Neighbor

Offertory *Freely, Freely* Carol Owens

***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication** (words at left of page)

WE DEPART TO SERVE

Capital Campaign & Building Project Update

***Hymn FH#7** *Onward, Christian Soldiers*

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction** *God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

***Postlude** *Postlude in D* Carl Weber



The Sanctuary flowers and a donation to the building fund are given today by Barry and Pat Thomas in memory of the Thomas/Albers family.