



Woodstock Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 21, 2010 - 11:00 AM

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

*I was glad when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" Psalm 122:1*

**During the season of Lent - 40 days preceding the Resurrection of the Jesus from the dead -
the prayer of faithful believers is**

"Create In me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me." (Psalm 51)

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
exceptional and
accessible.

We Gather To Worship

Prelude

O Savior of the World

J. Pears

Welcome and Announcements

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

Call to Worship

(Matt. 4:4, Ps. 51:17 & 139:23-24)

Stephanie Payne

Leader: We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

People: The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; God will not despise a broken and contrite heart.

Leader: Search me, O God, and know my heart;

People: try me and know my thoughts!

Leader: See if there is any wicked way in me,

People: and lead me in the way everlasting.

*Hymn #281

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*Opening Prayer *(pray together)*

O Lord God, our fortress and our helper, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. So guide us, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Invitation to Confession of Sin Confessing our Sins to God

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your ways. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.....(*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!

We Experience God's Word

Anthem *Built on a Rock* Althouse

Scripture Readings

† **Old Testament** Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
† **Gospel** Luke 4:1-13

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

Message "Wilderness Wanderings" Rev. Lisa Webb

We Respond to God's Word

***Hymn #80** *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

"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

~ Blankets + Offering for Church World Service

Offertory *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* Gene Allen

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

We Depart to Serve

***Hymn** (bulletin back) *Take Time to Be Holy*

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction** *Threefold Amen*

***Postlude** *Psalm XVIII* Marcello

***The congregation is invited to stand.**

In lieu of Sanctuary flowers, Price McDonald is making a donation to the Building Fund in memory of Margaret McDonald.