

GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 3, 2008

10:30 a.m.



Today we use *The Presbyterian Hymnal (blue)*

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

PRELUDE "Behold the Lamb of God"

G. F. Handel

The Congregation Stands

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #470

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy

Darwall's 148th

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing joyfully to the Lord, children of God!

People: **It is good and right to praise him.**

Leader: Let the instruments create music.

People: **And join us in glad praise.**

Leader: For faithful and true is our God.

People: **He is righteous and just,**

Leader: Let joy from within overflow in praise!

All: **How great is our God!**

GLORIA #579

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The Congregation is Seated

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

As we travel through life, living God, we seek assurance after assurance. We wish to live in sanctuary, where all is known and all is well. Thank you for sanctuary. Yet, we know that we become comfortable in sanctuary and fail to move from the grounded place to the place of change. We fail to trust that Jesus sends the Holy Spirit so that we might move beyond comfort into

invitation and adventure. We are tired. We are worn, and we stay the course.

Forgive us our same ways of doing; help us hear what you would have us be and do differently. Make us trust that there is purpose beyond the one we create in our minds. And bring your Spirit to us, so that we are transformed and become transforming persons for the sake of our reign on earth.

Thanks be to you, living God. Amen.

A Time for Silent Prayers of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

The Congregation Stands

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING #430 (stanza 4)

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

Darwall's 148th

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the joy of the Lord be always with you all!

People: **And also with you.**

(The people greet fellow worshippers with the peace of Christ)

The Congregation is Seated

GATHERING HYMN #304

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so;

Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN IN THE CHANCEL

ANTHEM "African Psalm"

Kenyan Folk Song/Arr. Patrick Liebergan

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 32

SERMON "The Waiting is Over"

Reverend Larry Turner

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 40: 28-31

The Congregation Stands

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional, Hymnal, p. 14)

The Congregation is Seated

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Offertory "O, That I Had a Thousand Voices" *Arr. Jay Althouse*

The Congregation Stands

Doxology #592 *Old Hundredth*

Prayer of Dedication

The Congregation is Seated

COMMUNION HYMN # 514

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ *Linstead*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PARTAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

We partake of the Lord's Supper today by the method of intinction, that is, by coming forward, taking a piece of the bread and dipping it into the cup. Receiving the elements in this way symbolizes God's people moving forward and accepting God's gracious gift of Christ Jesus.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Congregation Stands

RECESSIONAL HYMN # 343

Called As Partners in Christ's Service *Beecher*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Toccatina in E Minor" *Johann Pachelbel*

WELCOME VISITORS: In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to worship today. Please sign the friendship pad during the announcements so that we may have a record of your presence today.

First Presbyterian Church's Soup Kitchen is asking us to collect items for hygiene kits. In February they are asking for soap and wash rags. There will be a box in the Narthex for these items.

Once again the Presbyterian Women will be collecting Valentines to be delivered to our veterans at the Veteran's Hospital right here in Memphis, by our own Janet Vawter, a nurse. Janet sees first hand how something as simple as a little Valentine can lift the spirits of wounded and sick veterans. Drop your Valentine message in the Valentine box in the Narthex and bring a blessing to our brave veterans. Deadline is February 06, 2008. Thank You, Jean Markham

The MIHN guest will arrive on Sunday February 17th. Watch for the

sign up sheet in the hallway. A supply list is posted in the kitchen. Please sign up early. For more information contact Dana Jackson at 377-9374.

The Worship Committee and the Property Committee, with the consent of the Session, have decided to sell the Young-Chang piano that was used in the sanctuary prior to the merger. The piano is a 1995 model G185EP, 6' 1" grand in ebony finish and has recently been appraised at \$6,000.00. The Property Committee is planning to list it with several piano dealers in mid-February but is offering it to members of the congregation at the appraised price until that time. If you are interested in purchasing it, or know someone who is, please contact Bill Carroll or Charlotte Hicks for further information.

Circle #2 will meet the First Monday, February 04, 2008 at 10:00 am at the home of Becky Karnes. Please note the date change.

The Session respectfully requests that any articles submitted to the newsletter be limited to those that relate directly to the programs or activities of the congregation. We appreciate your cooperation--this will be most helpful in getting the newsletter to you in a more timely manner.

Please note Frances Young has moved to Ave Marie Home, 2805 Charles Bryan Road, Memphis, TN 38138, 386-3211.

You are invited to be a loving presence to hospice patients by volunteering with Crossroads Hospice. The dates for their volunteer training are Thursday, February 28th and Saturday, March 1st. If you are interested in touching lives in this way, please call Eryn Bennet, Volunteer Coordinator, Crossroads Hospice at 382-9292.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 03, 2008

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Combined Worship
12:00 pm Reception for Reverend
And Mrs. Turner
4:30 pm Youth Super Bowl Party
5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 10, 2008

8:45 am Contemporary Worship
10:00 am Sunday School
11:15 am Traditional Worship
5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm Youth Bible Study

Monday, February 04, 2008

10:00 am Circle #2
6:30 pm Property Committee

Monday, February 11, 2008

7:00 pm Circle #4 & #5

Tuesday, February 05, 2008

6:30 pm Christian Education
7:00 pm Congregational Life

Tuesday, February 12, 2008

10:00 am Circle #1
6:00 pm Worship Committee

Wednesday, February 06, 2008

6:30 pm Youth Bible Study
7:30 pm Choir

Wednesday, February 13, 2008

6:30 pm Youth Bible Study
7:30 pm Choir

Saturday, February 09, 2008

8:00 am 5K Run



**REMEMBER THESE
MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH**

Our Church Family:

Sandy HarroldCancer
Joanna Patterson, Mother of Karen Guerini .Health Concerns
Frances YoungMoved to Ave Marie Home
Alex Martin, grandson of Virginia MartinDeployed to Iraq
Lou KehrliWorking in Bahrain
Britt, Brenda and Brittany RipleyDeployed to Djibouti,
Africa

Our Extended Church Family:

Kristen Hunter, Miree Pomeroy's nieceComplications due to
.....pregnancy.
Mrs. Harder, Marilyn Wilson's Mother and Karen Wilson's Grandmother
.....Breathing Problems
Ian Fennessy, Andrew Vawter's closest friend Sean's brother, in ICU at
LeBonheur after complications during heart surgery.
Mike RussellCancerous tumor on spine
Joe Gonzales, Daniel Hicks granddadCancer
Paul Cave, Dan & Georgie Cave's brotherCancer treatment
Mike Kuykendall, son of June KuykendallBrain tumor
Viola Gonzales.....Kidney Failure
Shirley Davie, Sister of Carol Haley and the family of Dave Davie,
.....passed away in December

Worship Attendance for January 27, 2008

8:45	18
<u>11:15</u>	<u>92</u>
Total	110

IN SERVICE THIS WEEK February 03, 2008

Oversight Elders:	Opening – Dossett Foster Closing – Joe Bishop
Hosts—11:15 am:	Dossett Foster, Byron Graves, June Kuykendall, Virginia Martin

Communion: Katelyn Vawter, Cathy Bendall, John Gordon, Mark Gray

IN SERVICE NEXT WEEK February 10, 2008

Oversight Elders: Opening – Byron Graves
Closing – John Price

Hosts—10:30 am: Joe & Amy Bishop, Cephas & Jean Starnes

THE SESSION (Our governing body)

<u>Class of 2008</u>	<u>Class of 2009</u>	<u>Class of 2010</u>
Dossett Foster, Session Clerk	Cathy Bendall	Bill Carroll
John Gordon	Joe Bishop	John Evans
Charlotte Hicks	Byron Graves	Mark Gray
Sarah Pfaffenroth	Sandy Kehrli	Jean Markham
Jere Lawson	Miree Pomeroy	Walt Schrimper
	John Price	Jean Starnes

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