

Announcements

Thank you! A big *Thank You* to all who came out last Saturday for the church workday. We accomplished some necessary maintenance and beautification projects, and it could not have been successful without you!

Homecoming. Please mark your calendar for next Sunday, October 19, 2014, and plan to join us for Homecoming! Tim Robinson will be our speaker. There will be a meal in the fellowship hall immediately following the morning service. The meat, drinks and bread will be provided. Please bring a vegetable, salad or a dessert.

Handbell and Choir Rehearsal. Please join us at 4 pm for Handbell rehearsal and 5 pm for choir rehearsal. New members are welcome!

Young At Heart. Our next meeting will be October 28th with the meal being a covered dish, due to conflicts with Meals on Wheels for Glenn and Margaret. We will hear from Tammy Honeycutt and Christina Gile from Alamance Pregnancy Services. They will tell us about this vital ministry in our community. Foy Evans will coordinate the meetings for December and January.

First Presbyterial Annual Meeting. The women of Coddle Creek Church invite the women of the First Presbyterial of the ARP Church to the 107th Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 18, 2014, 10 AM. Please see the bulletin boards for more information and directions.

First Presbyterial ARP Women's Ministries Retreat. Our very own Dot Hutelmyer will be the speaker. This will be a great time to get away and relax while getting to know each other better. Please plan to join us! If you RSVP we can work on room arrangements and travel together. Please let Jessica Richardson know at 336-437-4388 or richardson.jessica83@gmail.com.

Pastoral Search Committee Update. Gene Parks convened the Pastoral Search Committee this past Wednesday, October 8th. Bill Haynes was elected Chairman and John Robinson Secretary. The committee will be aggressively moving forward in its responsibility to secure a Pastor at First ARP Church. In doing so, the Committee earnestly seeks the prayers of the congregation that our Sovereign God will lead this committee to the man of His choice.

Upcoming Business Items. We will be announcing dates when they are available for the following important events in the life of First ARP: Officer Elections and Budget Approval.

Upcoming Preaching Schedule:

Today - Bob Wilson
October 19 - Tim Robinson - Homecoming

Ministry Information

Nursery
Today: Stephen Robinson and Doug Cobb
Next Week: Chelle Spencer and Donna Wolff

Counter:
Today: Gene Parks
Next Week: Glenn Owens

Deacon on Duty
Today: Mark Vestal
Next Week: Glenn Owens

Tithes and Offerings for October 5:
General Fund \$5,412.24

The Session

Vice Moderator: Gene Parks
Clerk: Jim Knox

2015: Jim Knox, Gene Parks
2017: Bill Haynes

The Diaconate

Chairman: Glenn Owens
Vice Chairman: Mark Vestal
Secretary: Doug Glass

2014: Glenn Owens, Mark Vestal
2015: Doug Glass
2016: David Newton, Tim Bessette

Congregational Officers

Trustees: Jim Knox, Steve Kyaw, Gene Parks
Congregational Chairperson: Dot Hutelmyer
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington
Congregational Secretary: Jim Knox

Women's Ministries

Women's Ministries Coordinator: Jessica Richardson
Morning Bible Study Leader: Lillian Fuller
Evening Bible Study Leader: Dot Hutelmyer

Church Staff

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First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 12, 2014

Preparation

Silent Meditation - Ephesians 5:22-33

²² Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body. ²⁴ But as the church is subject to Christ, so also the wives ought to be to their husbands in everything. ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, ²⁶ so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless. ²⁸ So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; ²⁹ for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ also does the church, ³⁰ because we are members of His body. ³¹ For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. ³² This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church. ³³ Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must see to it that she respects her husband.

Prelude

Julie Snow

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Call to Worship—Psalm 135:1-7; 19-21

Minister: Praise the Lord!
Praise the name of the Lord;
Praise *Him*, O servants of the Lord,
You who stand in the house of the Lord,
In the courts of the house of our God!
Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;
Sing praises to His name, for it is lovely.

**All: For the Lord has chosen Jacob for Himself,
Israel for His own possession.
For I know that the Lord is great
And that our Lord is above all gods.**

Minister: Whatever the Lord pleases, He does,
In heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deeps.
He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth;
Who makes lightnings for the rain,
Who brings forth the wind from His treasures.

**All: O house of Israel, bless the Lord;
O house of Aaron, bless the Lord;
O house of Levi, bless the Lord;
You who revere the Lord, bless the Lord.
Blessed be the Lord from Zion,
Who dwells in Jerusalem.
Praise the Lord!**

* Hymn of Preparation
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Saved, Saved!

Scholfield

* Congregation Standing

Adoration

* Invocation

* Hymn of Adoration
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Glorify Thy Name

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Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession - I John 1:8-9

If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon - Psalm 130:3-4; 7-8

If You, Lord, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
But there is forgiveness with You,
That You may be feared.
O Israel, hope in the Lord;
For with the Lord there is lovingkindness,
And with Him is abundant redemption.
And He will redeem Israel
From all his iniquities.

* Gloria Patri

*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.*

Proclamation

Old Testament Reading - Genesis 3:18-24

¹⁸ “Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you;
And you will eat the plants of the field;
¹⁹ By the sweat of your face
You will eat bread,
Till you return to the ground,
Because from it you were taken;
For you are dust,
And to dust you shall return.”

²⁰ Now the man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all the living.

²¹ The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and clothed them.

²² Then the Lord God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever”—²³ therefore the Lord God sent him out from the garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground from which he was taken. ²⁴ So He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword which turned every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.

Minister The Word of the Lord
People **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Wonderful Words of Life/
Standing on the Promises

Choir

Prayer of Intercession and 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,
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.***

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Ed Limon

* Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

The Marriage Relationship

Rev. Bob Wilson

Dedication

* Hymn of Response

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Happy the Home When God Is There

St Agnes

Affirmation of Faith — 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.