

## Announcements

**Congregational Meeting.** There will be a congregational meeting immediately following the morning worship service.

**Homecoming.** Please mark your calendar for 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.

**Church Workday.** A workday is being planned for October 4. More details will be coming!

**Choir Rehearsal.** Choir rehearsals have resumed! Please join us at 5 pm Sunday afternoons!

**Handbell Choir.** Handbell choir practice is at 4 pm. We welcome new members!

**Secret Sister Reveal.** Today we will be going out to eat after the worship service. Secret Sisters will do their "reveal," and the next NEW IDEA will be introduced. Ladies, please come even if you did not have a secret sister. A new chapter is unfolding!

**Young At Heart.** On Tuesday we enjoyed hearing from the Piedmont Rescue Mission with Tony Honeycutt and several associates with music and testimonies. We had 30 people in attendance. We will meet as scheduled October 28. Program to be announced. 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.** Make plans to attend the annual women's retreat November 7-8 at the Bonclarken Conference Center. The speaker is our own Dot Hutelmyer. Details are on the bulletin boards.

### Upcoming Preaching Schedule:

Today - Bob Wilson  
October 5 - Bob Wilson

## Ministry Information

### Nursery

Today: Karen Jones and Chelle Spencer  
Next Week: Kristen Carter and Karen Hayes

### Counter:

Today: David Newton  
Next Week: None scheduled

### Deacon on Duty

Today: Mark Vestal  
Next Week: Doug Glass

### Tithes and Offerings for September 21:

General Fund \$1,875.00

## 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

Pastor:

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## First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 28, 2014

## Preparation

Silent Meditation - I Peter 4:12-19

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you, which comes upon you for your testing, as though some strange thing were happening to you; but to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ, keep on rejoicing, so that also at the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. Make sure that none of you suffers as a murderer, or thief, or evildoer, or a troublesome meddler; but if anyone suffers as a Christian, he is not to be ashamed, but is to glorify God in this name. For it is time for judgment to begin with the household of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And if it is with difficulty that the righteous is saved, what will become of the godless man and the sinner? Therefore, those also who suffer according to the will of God shall entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right.

Prelude

Julie Snow

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Call to Worship—Psalm 100

Minister: Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness;  
Come before Him with joyful singing.

**All: Know that the Lord Himself is God;  
It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;  
We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.**

Minister: Enter His gates with thanksgiving  
And His courts with praise.  
Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

**All: For the Lord is good;  
His lovingkindness is everlasting  
And His faithfulness to all generations.**

\* Hymn of Preparation  
430

I Must Tell Jesus

Orwigsburg

## Adoration

\* Invocation

\* Congregation Standing

## Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession - Psalm 130:1-6

Out of the depths I have cried to You, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice!  
Let Your ears be attentive  
To the voice of my supplications.

If You, Lord, should mark iniquities,  
O Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with You,  
That You may be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul does wait,  
And in His word do I hope.

My soul waits for the Lord  
More than the watchmen for the morning;  
Indeed, more than the watchmen for the morning.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon - Psalm 130:7-8

*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 - Job 1:13-22

<sup>13</sup> Now on the day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother’s house, <sup>14</sup> a messenger came to Job and said, “The oxen were plowing and the donkeys feeding beside them, <sup>15</sup> and the Sabeans attacked and took them. They also slew the servants with the edge of the sword, and I alone have escaped to tell you.”

<sup>16</sup> While he was still speaking, another also came and said, “The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants and consumed them, and I alone have escaped to tell you.” <sup>17</sup> While he was still speaking, another also came and said, “The Chaldeans formed three bands and made a raid on the camels and took them and slew the servants with the edge of the sword, and I alone have escaped to tell you.” <sup>18</sup> While he was still speaking, another also came and said, “Your sons and your daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother’s house, <sup>19</sup> and behold, a great wind came from across the wilderness and struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on the young people and they died, and I alone have escaped to tell you.” <sup>20</sup> Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and he fell to the ground and worshiped. <sup>21</sup> He said, “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, And naked I shall return there. The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord.”

<sup>22</sup> Through all this Job did not sin nor did he blame God.

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

Anthem Let My Life Praise You Medley *Choir*

New Testament Reading - I Peter 2:19-25

<sup>19</sup> For this finds favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup> For what credit is there if, when you sin and are harshly treated, you endure it with patience? But if when you do what is right and suffer for it you patiently endure it, this finds favor with God. <sup>21</sup> For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, <sup>22</sup> who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth; <sup>23</sup> and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously; <sup>24</sup> and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed. <sup>25</sup> For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Suffering As A Christian Rev. Bob Wilson

## Dedication

\* Hymn of Response  
404 The Solid Rock *Solid Rock*

Affirmation of Faith as we pray 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,  
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 All of Us *One Voice*

\* 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