

**Order of Sunday Evening Service**  
**6:00 PM**

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**Prelude**

**Reading from God's Holy Word**

Numbers 12:1-15

**Hymn**

#584

It Is Good to Sing Thy Praises

**Westminster Shorter Catechism**

**Q. 1. What is the chief end of man?**

A. Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

**Q. 2. What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?**

A. The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

**Q. 3. What do the Scriptures principally teach?**

A. The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

**Prayers of the Congregation**

Adoration - Confession - Thanksgiving - Supplication

For our homebound members: Elizabeth Barber, Theo Baulding, Jean Cathey, Foy Evans, Doris Haywood, June Little, Catherine Mangum, Pat Montgomery, Gene & Helen Parks and Mae Wilburn.

For the local ministries we support: Alamance Pregnancy Center, Allied Churches, Gideons, Meals on Wheels, Siloam Missionary Homes

For the regional ministries we support: Jesse & Shayna Wesselink (International Students in Triad), Ali & Tari Mitchell (ARP Connect/Ministry to Muslims in USA), Jeff & Shelia Osborne (Stateside/Short-Term Missions Coordinator)

For those sent to foreign places: Drew & Lauren Goodman (Pastor in Wales), Andy & Nanette Howard (Pakistan), Jeff & Lisa King (Spain), Nathan & Ashley Olson (Layman Serving the Church in Scotland)

For the Church of God to grow through the work of First Presbytery Church Extension and Synod's Outreach North America.

For those in our congregation who are sent on short-term missions.

That we'd be salt and light in our spheres of influence as we go about our daily lives in our community.

**The Fruit of the Holy Spirit**

*The Fruit of the Spirit is...Kindness*

Galatians 5

**Prayer**

**Hymn**

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Lavish Love, Abundant Beauty

**Announcements**

**Welcome.** We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. Please feel free to pick up a blue informational folder outside the entrances to the sanctuary to learn more about our church. Also, please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place in the offering plate so we can have a record of your visit.

**A Word About Our Worship Service.** Offertory: The congregation, choir or a few vocalists offer to God a song of adoration, confession, thanksgiving or petition to God as an act of worship. On occasion, the song may be the singing of God's Word to remind, edify, exhort or comfort Christians in their faith.

**Sunday Nights @ First.** Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God's Word. Galatians 5: *The Fruit of the Spirit is...Kindness.*

**Ladies Wednesday Bible Study** meets in the Conference Room at 11 AM to study Galatians for You by Timothy Keller.

**Piedmont Rescue Mission.** Greater Vision Banquet - 6 PM on Thursday, October 13 with special guest speaker Josh McDowell. Please let Glenn Owens know ASAP if you'd like to be a part of the First ARP Church tables.

**BBQ and Music.** Invite someone and join us on the church lawn at 4 PM on Saturday, October 15 for BBQ and Music provided by Sue and Jeff Holt and friends.

**Evening Book Study** for all ladies in the church will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays, October 18, November 8 and December 13 - the study book will be *The Envy of Eve* by Melissa Kruger.

**5th Sunday Hymn Sing and Social.** The next 5th Sunday Hymn Sing and Social will be at 6 PM on Sunday, October 30.

**Want to serve folks in our community?** We participate in Meals on Wheels locally and are in need of volunteers. Please consider partnering with Glenn & Margaret Owens and Gary Gregory in monthly deliveries. Our upcoming commitments are: October 24, 25; November 21, 22; December 19, 20. Speak to the Owens about serving - 336-269-3055.

**Nursery Workers.** We are in need of volunteers for our Nursery ministry. Please contact Vicki McPherson for more details. Vicki's email address is: vickimac@triad.rr.com.

**Operation Christmas Child Boxes:** Things to remember:

- \$7 postage is necessary for all boxes. If you would like to have postage paid, please let Joyce Payne know by October 15
- Boxes (plastic or cardboard) Standard size only 5qt.
- Boxes are due no later than Sunday morning, Nov. 20

More Suggestions:

- Utility candles
- Thick, 40 gal. garbage bag (used to sleep on)
- Older girls: sewing kit, needles & thread, 1 1/2 yds. of fabric
- Older boys: hammer & nails, screw driver & screws

Any questions, please contact Joyce Payne 222-1133

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**Ministry Information**

Nursery: Today: Macon Baird and Carol Erb  
Next Week: Fran Haynes and \_\_\_\_\_

Counter: Today: Stephen Robinson  
Next Week: Glenn Owens

Deacon on Duty: Today: Glenn Owens  
Next Week: Stephen Robinson

**Last Week's Tithes and Offerings:**  
General Fund: \$7,713.47

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Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without  
which no one will see the Lord.  
Hebrews 12:14 ESV

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**The Lord's Day**  
**October 9, 2016**

## Order of Worship

11:00 AM

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**Greeting of the Saints** *The Congregation & Visitors*

**Prelude** Julie Snow

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Voluntary for Silent Prayer**

**Votum** Psalm 124:8

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

**Salutation** Revelation 1:4-5

**Call to Worship\*** Psalm 135

**Hymn of Adoration\***  
Psalm 135 Trinity Psalter

### ODE TO JOY

Hallelujah! Praise the LORD'S name!  
Praise Him, servants of the LORD,  
You that in the LORD'S house serve Him,  
In God's courtyard standing guard.  
Praise the LORD! How good the LORD is!  
Sing His name – how sweet its tone!  
For the LORD has chosen Jacob,  
Is-ra-el to be His own.

Well I know how great the LORD is;  
Our Lord is above all gods.  
For the LORD does what he pleases  
In all heav'n, earth, deeps, and floods.  
He it is Who lifts the vapors  
From the ends of earth and sea,  
Who with lightnings brings the rains down,  
From His store the wind sets free,

Blessings to the LORD you worship!  
Blessed from Zion be the LORD  
He whose dwelling is in Salem!  
Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!  
Hallelujah! Praise the LORD'S name!  
Praise Him, servants of the LORD,  
You that in the LORD'S house serve Him,  
In God's courtyard standing guard.

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation\*

**Affirmation of Faith** Heidelberg Catechism, No. 1&2

**Minister:** Christian, what is your only comfort in life and in death?

**People:** That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who with His precious blood has fully satisfied for all my sins, and redeemed me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; yes, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready henceforth, to live unto him.

**Minister:** How many things are necessary for you to know, that in this comfort you may live and die happily?

**People:** Three things: First, the greatness of my sin and misery. Second, how I am redeemed from all my sins and misery. Third, how I am to be thankful to God for such redemption.

**Unison:** Thanks be to God!

**Song of Praise\***  
#73 Thou Art Worthy

## Corporate Confession of Sin

*O Lord God, who inhabits eternity, the heavens declare your glory, the earth your riches, and the universe is your temple. Your presence fills immensity and you have created life for your own pleasure. We come to you in the all-prevailing name of Jesus, with nothing of our own to plead, no works, no worthiness, no promises. We are often straying, often knowingly opposing your authority, and often abusing your goodness. Subdue in us the love of sin, let us know our need for restoration as well as forgiveness, in order to serve and enjoy you forever. We thank you for Jesus, who saves us by his meritorious life and sacrificial death, and in whose name we pray. Amen.*

## Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

**Scriptural Assurance of Pardon** Luke 24: 46-47

Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

**Hymn of Redemption\***  
#66 To God Be the Glory

## Presentation of New Members

Alissa Peppo, Darrell and Esther Plyter and Jackie Smith

**Hymn of Christian Fellowship**  
#283 We Are God's People  
verses 1 & 3

**Reading of the Old Testament** Genesis 25:19-34

## Pastoral Prayer 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.*

## The Lord's Tithes and Our Offerings

**Offertory/Anthem** Choir  
*His Robes for Mine*

**Hymn of Praise\***  
#625 Doxology

**Reading of the New Testament** Hebrews 12:14-17

## Prayer for Illumination

**Preaching of God's Word** Rev. Bryan Crotts  
*Concerns in the Covenant Community*

## Prayer to Seal God's Word

**Hymn of Commitment**  
#372 Living for Jesus

## Benediction\*

**Postlude** Ed Limon

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\* Please stand if you are able