

Fellowship Presbyterian Church

Lord's Day Worship

September 14, 2008

A wise man once said that worship is a time when we joyfully "enter into the very suburbs of heaven!" As we gather on this sacred day of the week, consider Christ, who laid aside all that was His in glory so that He might dwell among us. Meditate upon His compassion, condescending to save us; upon His power, breaking sin's hold on us. Motivated by these great truths, come before Him now joyously and energetically, each one an active participant in the praise and adoration of our risen King!

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Marty Martin

Call to Worship

Psalms 72:18-19

*Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel,
Who alone works wonders.*

*And blessed be His glorious name forever;
And may the whole earth be filled with His glory.
Amen, and Amen.*

§ Psalm

No. 311

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

§ Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Corporate Confession of Faith

Christians, what do you believe?

We believe that the Triune God is the Creator of heaven and earth, and that all things were made by Him and for Him; that He is the great King above all kings; that from Him and through Him and to Him are all things; and that all glory, honor, and praise is His both now and forevermore.

We believe that the Son of God became man, was tabernacled among us; that He lived a sinless life, took upon Himself our guilt, died to pay the penalty for our transgressions, and rose again triumphant over sin, death and the grave.

We believe that we are saved by grace through faith in Jesus as our savior and Lord and that the Holy Spirit turns our hearts of stone into hearts alive unto God, empowering and enabling us to do those good works which God prepared in advance for us to do.

We believe that all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Christ; and that He commands us to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey Christ; and that He promises to be with us always, even to the very end of the age.

We believe that when He comes again to judge the living and the dead, He will receive us as His own, and we will go to be with Him, and will glorify and enjoy Him throughout all eternity, world without end. Amen.

§ Doxology

No. 733

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

§ Worship Through Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Confession, Intercession and Supplication

§ Hymn of Preparation

No. 469

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

Reading of Scripture

Genesis 18:22-33

Pew Bible pages 16-17

²²Then the men turned away from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham was still standing before the LORD.

²³Abraham came near and said, "Will You indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?"

²⁴"Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will You indeed sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous who are in it?"

²⁵"Far be it from You to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous and the wicked are treated alike. Far be it from You! Shall not the Judge of all the earth deal justly?"

²⁶So the LORD said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare the whole place on their account."

²⁷And Abraham replied, "Now behold, I have ventured to speak to the Lord, although I am but dust and ashes.

²⁸"Suppose the fifty righteous are lacking five, will You destroy the whole city because of five?" And He said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."

²⁹He spoke to Him yet again and said, "Suppose forty are found there?" And He said, "I will not do it on account of the forty."

³⁰Then he said, "Oh may the Lord not be angry, and I shall speak; suppose thirty are found there?" And He said, "I will not do it if I find thirty there."

³¹And he said, "Now behold, I have ventured to speak to the Lord; suppose twenty are found there?" And He said, "I will not destroy it on account of the twenty."

³²Then he said, "Oh may the Lord not be angry, and I shall speak only this once; suppose ten are found there?" And He said, "I will not destroy it on account of the ten."

³³As soon as He had finished speaking to Abraham the LORD departed, and Abraham returned to his place.

Proclamation of God's Word

Pastor Martin

If Only for One

§ Hymn

No. 252

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

§ Benediction

Pastor Martin

§ Corporate "Amen"

§ The congregation will please stand.

Evening Worship

Call to Worship

Psalms 104:31-35

*Let the glory of the LORD endure forever;
Let the LORD be glad in His works;
He looks at the earth, and it trembles;
He touches the mountains, and they smoke.
I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.
Let my meditation be pleasing to Him;
As for me, I shall be glad in the LORD.
Let sinners be consumed from the earth
And let the wicked be no more.
Bless the LORD, O my soul.
Praise the LORD!*

§ Hymn

God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

No. 122

§ Prayer of Praise and Invocation

New Testament Reading

Acts 19:21-41

Pew Bible pages 1112-1113

²¹Now after these things were finished, Paul proposed in the Spirit to go to Jerusalem after he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, saying, "After I have been there, I must also see Rome."

²²And having sent into Macedonia two of those who ministered to him, Timothy and Erastus, he himself stayed in Asia for a while.

²³About that time there occurred no small disturbance concerning the Way.

²⁴For a man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Artemis, was bringing no little business to the craftsmen;

²⁵these he gathered together with the workmen of similar trades, and said, "Men, you know that our prosperity depends upon this business.

²⁶"You see and hear that not only in Ephesus, but in almost all of Asia, this Paul has persuaded and turned away a considerable number of people, saying that gods made with hands are no gods at all.

²⁷"Not only is there danger that this trade of ours fall into disrepute, but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis be regarded as worthless and that she whom all of Asia and the world worship will even be dethroned from her magnificence."

²⁸When they heard this and were filled with rage, they began crying out, saying, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!"

²⁹The city was filled with the confusion, and they rushed with one accord into the theater, dragging along Gaius and Aristarchus, Paul's traveling companions from Macedonia.

³⁰And when Paul wanted to go into the assembly, the disciples would not let him.

³¹Also some of the Asiarchs who were friends of

his sent to him and repeatedly urged him not to venture into the theater.

³²So then, some were shouting one thing and some another, for the assembly was in confusion and the majority did not know for what reason they had come together.

³³Some of the crowd concluded it was Alexander, since the Jews had put him forward; and having motioned with his hand, Alexander was intending to make a defense to the assembly.

³⁴But when they recognized that he was a Jew, a single outcry arose from them all as they shouted for about two hours, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!"

³⁵After quieting the crowd, the town clerk said, "Men of Ephesus, what man is there after all who does not know that the city of the Ephesians is guardian of the temple of the great Artemis and of the image which fell down from heaven?"

³⁶"So, since these are undeniable facts, you ought to keep calm and to do nothing rash.

³⁷"For you have brought these men here who are neither robbers of temples nor blasphemers of our goddess.

³⁸"So then, if Demetrius and the craftsmen who are with him have a complaint against any man, the courts are in session and proconsuls are available; let them bring charges against one another.

³⁹"But if you want anything beyond this, it shall be settled in the lawful assembly.

⁴⁰"For indeed we are in danger of being accused of a riot in connection with today's events, since there is no real cause for it, and in this connection we will be unable to account for this disorderly gathering."

⁴¹After saying this he dismissed the assembly.

§ Hymn

There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood
(stanzas 1,3 & 4)

No. 253

Prayer of Confession, Petition and Intercession

§ Hymn

Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem
(stanzas 1,3 & 4)

No. 271

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:4

Pew Bible page 960

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

Proclamation of God's Word

Mourning Over Sin

Pastor Martin

§ Hymn

And Can It Be That I Should Gain
(stanzas 1,3-5)

No. 455

§ Benediction

Pastor Martin

WELCOME!

If you are visiting Fellowship Presbyterian Church for the first time, we welcome you as you worship with us. Please help us get to know one another by signing the Pew Registry as it is passed. We invite you to return to our evening worship at 6:00 PM. A nursery is provided for all services for children from birth through three years of age.

SERVICES AND WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday:

10:00 AM: Sunday School
11:00 AM: Morning Worship
6:00 PM: Evening Worship

Tuesday:

Ladies Precepts Bible Study
9:30 AM, at the church
(childcare provided)

Wednesday:

5:30 PM: Catered Supper
6:00 PM: Choir Rehearsal
6:40 PM: Prayer Service (adults)
6:40 PM: Catechism (children)



“Whoever welcomes one of these little children in My name welcomes Me.”

We appreciate those assisting in the nursery:

Nursery Workers for Sunday, September 14, 2008:

Sunday School: Barbara Wilder
Morning Worship: Jeff & Maria Wayne, Roberta Macedo
Evening Worship: Carrie Dueck, Margaret Stannard

Nursery Workers for Sunday, September 21, 2008:

Sunday School: Barbara Wilder
Morning Worship: TBA
Evening Worship: Bill & Barbara Wilder

SERVING IN SEPTEMBER:

Elder of the Month: Jeff Wayne (697-8434)
Deacon of the Month: Bill Wilder (848-6434)
Greeters of the Month: Carolyn Root & Margaret Stannard
Ushers: Troy High & Bill Wilder.

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The Session:

Teaching Elder: Pastor Martin H. Martin

Ruling Elders:

Ron Hughey, Dave Lesley, Lafoye Mooney, Larry Poole & Jeff Wayne, Sr.

The Diaconate:

Deacons: Bill Wilder & Sam Stubbs

Church Intern:

Breno Macedo

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER OUR MISSIONARIES IN PRAYER:

Rev. & Mrs. Jack Campbell: RMI (Clemson) Rev. & Mrs. Guillermo Salinas: Mexico
Rev. & Mrs. Clayton Quarterman: Ukraine Rev. & Mrs. James Buckner: Hong Kong
Dr. & Mrs. Roger Smalling: Visión R.E.A.L. Rev. & Mrs. Will Traub: Germany
Rev. & Mrs. Francisco Cardoso: Brazil Rev. & Mrs. Gary Watanabe: New York City

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS:

Pew Registry: Please help us get to know one another by signing the pew registry (located at the end of each aisle). Thank you!

Wednesday Night Schedule & Supper Sign-up

5:30 PM: Supper* (catered meal: \$3.50/adult, \$2.50/child, \$10 max/family)

*Please indicate on the Pew Registry the number of adults & children attending this week's supper.



The menu for this week's supper is: beef tips in gravy, rice, green beans, rolls, tea & assorted pies.

6:00 PM: Choir Rehearsal

6:40 PM: Prayer Service (adults); Catechism (children)

Inquirer's Class: If you are interested in learning more about Fellowship Presbyterian Church (who we are, what we believe and how we seek to serve), join us during the Sunday school hour (10:00 AM) for the **Inquirer's Class** taught by Pastor Marty Martin.

Church-Wide / Family Retreat at Look Up Lodge

Friday & Saturday, October 3rd—4th

(supper-time on Friday through Saturday afternoon)



Featured Speaker:



David Sinclair

Retreat includes 3 teaching sessions and 1 Q&A with David Sinclair
1 session -Friday night; 2 sessions -Saturday morning;
Q&A/ application session before lunch on Saturday;
Friday night bonfire (yes, of course there will be smores!);
Saturday (after lunch) camp/ lake activities & fellowship!

Supervised activities for children (4 yrs & up):

toddler/infant nursery available during
all teaching sessions.

Retreat Cost:

Overnight Retreat (including meals):

\$10/person; \$20/family

Friday/ Saturday day only (including meals):

\$5/person; \$10/family

Sign-up is required; sheet is in the narthex.

(Scholarships are available)

Adult Choir Rehearsal Resumes This Week! The Adult Choir (Jr. Hi & up) will rehearse **Wednesdays, 6:00—6:40 PM. Newcomers are welcome!** Please contact Annette Stubbs (288-3066) for more information.



Ladies' Tuesday Morning Precepts Bible Study:

(a nine week inductive study of 2 Peter) will begin

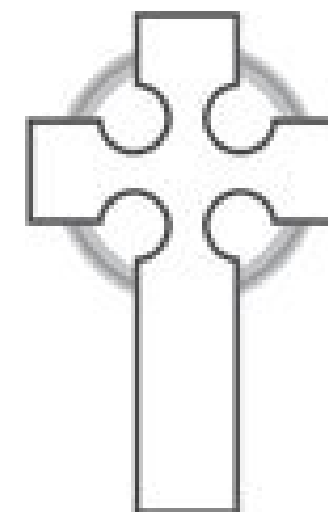
This Tuesday, September 16th (9:30—11:30 AM),

at the church (nursery available). For more information, contact Wendy Richards (877-3267 or 399-9276); sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

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Presbyterian Church in America

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Our purpose is to glorify the Triune God by reconciling the lost to Him through faith in Jesus Christ and equipping the saints to serve Him in every area of life.
II Corinthians 5:18-19; Matthew 28:19-20