

# Fellowship Presbyterian Church

## Lord's Day Worship

December 7, 2008

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which Your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through Him who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Ghost, now and forever. Amen. ~from the Book of Common Prayer

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Marty Martin

### Call to Worship

Isaiah 43:1-7

But now, thus says the LORD, your Creator, O Jacob,  
And He who formed you, O Israel,  
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name; you are Mine!"  
"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
And through the rivers, they will not overflow you.  
When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched,  
Nor will the flame burn you.  
"For I am the LORD your God,  
The Holy One of Israel, your Savior;  
I have given Egypt as your ransom,  
Cush and Seba in your place.  
"Since you are precious in My sight,  
Since you are honored and I love you,  
I will give other men in your place  
and other peoples in exchange for your life.  
"Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
And gather you from the west.  
"I will say to the north, 'Give them up!'  
And to the south, 'Do not hold them back.'  
Bring My sons from afar  
And My daughters from the ends of the earth,  
Everyone who is called by My name,  
And whom I have created for My glory,  
Whom I have formed, even whom I have made."

### § Hymn

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

No. 203

### § Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

#### Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 7:10-16

Then the LORD spoke again to Ahaz, saying, "Ask a sign for yourself from the LORD your God; make it deep as Sheol or high as heaven."

But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, nor will I test the LORD!"

Then he said, "Listen now, O house of David! Is it too slight a thing for you to try the patience of men, that you will try the patience of my God as well? Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel. He will eat curds and honey at the time He knows enough to refuse evil and choose good. For before the boy will know enough to refuse evil and choose good, the land whose two kings you dread will be forsaken.

### § Hymn

What Child Is This?

No. 213

### § Worship Through Tithes and Offerings

#### Offertory

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Quartet

### Prayer of Confession, Intercession and Supplication

#### § Psalm of Preparation

No. 311

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

#### Reading of Scripture

Matthew 1:1-17

Pew Bible page 957

<sup>1</sup>The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham:

<sup>2</sup>Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers.

<sup>3</sup>Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez was the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram.

<sup>4</sup>Ram was the father of Amminadab, Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon.

<sup>5</sup>Salmon was the father of Boaz by Rahab, Boaz was the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse.

<sup>6</sup>Jesse was the father of David the king. David was the father of Solomon by Bathsheba who had been the wife of Uriah.

<sup>7</sup>Solomon was the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asa.

<sup>8</sup>Asa was the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah.

<sup>9</sup>Uzziah was the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah.

<sup>10</sup>Hezekiah was the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amon, and Amon the father of Josiah.

<sup>11</sup>Josiah became the father of Jeconiah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

<sup>12</sup>After the deportation to Babylon: Jeconiah became the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel.

<sup>13</sup>Zerubbabel was the father of Abihud, Abihud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor.

<sup>14</sup>Azor was the father of Zadok, Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud.

<sup>15</sup>Eliud was the father of Eleazar, Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob.

<sup>16</sup>Jacob was the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, by whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

<sup>17</sup>So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

#### Proclamation of God's Word

Pastor Martin

You Can Pick Your Friends...

### § Hymn

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

No. 193

#### Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

#### § Gloria Patri

No. 735

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.

#### § Benediction

Pastor Martin

#### § Corporate "Amen"

§ The congregation will please stand.

## Evening Worship

### Call to Worship

Isaiah 6:1-7

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple. Seraphim stood above Him, each having six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.

And one called out to another and said,  
"Holy, Holy, Holy, is the LORD of hosts,  
The whole earth is full of His glory."

And the foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the temple was filling with smoke.

Then I said,

"Woe is me, for I am ruined!

Because I am a man of unclean lips,

And I live among a people of unclean lips;

For my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts."

Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal in his hand, which he had taken from the altar with tongs. He touched my mouth with it and said, "Behold, this has touched your lips; and your iniquity is taken away and your sin is forgiven."

### § Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy!

No. 100

### § Prayer of Praise and Invocation

#### New Testament Reading

Acts 25:13-27

Pew Bible page 1120

<sup>13</sup>Now when several days had elapsed, King Agrippa and Bernice arrived at Caesarea and paid their respects to Festus.

<sup>14</sup>While they were spending many days there, Festus laid Paul's case before the king, saying,

"There is a man who was left as a prisoner by Felix;

<sup>15</sup>and when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews brought charges against him, asking for a sentence of condemnation against him.

<sup>16</sup>"I answered them that it is not the custom of the Romans to hand over any man before the accused meets his accusers face to face and has an opportunity to make his defense against the charges.

<sup>17</sup>"So after they had assembled here, I did not delay, but on the next day took my seat on the tribunal and ordered the man to be brought before me.

<sup>18</sup>"When the accusers stood up, they began bringing charges against him not of such crimes as I was expecting,

<sup>19</sup>but they simply had some points of disagreement with him about their own religion and about a dead man, Jesus, whom Paul asserted to be alive.

<sup>20</sup>"Being at a loss how to investigate such

matters, I asked whether he was willing to go to Jerusalem and there stand trial on these matters.

<sup>21</sup>"But when Paul appealed to be held in custody for the Emperor's decision, I ordered him to be kept in custody until I send him to Caesar."

<sup>22</sup>Then Agrippa said to Festus, "I also would like to hear the man myself." "Tomorrow," he said, "you shall hear him."

<sup>23</sup>So, on the next day when Agrippa came together with Bernice amid great pomp, and entered the auditorium accompanied by the commanders and the prominent men of the city, at the command of Festus, Paul was brought in.

<sup>24</sup>Festus said, "King Agrippa, and all you gentlemen here present with us, you see this man about whom all the people of the Jews appealed to me, both at Jerusalem and here, loudly declaring that he ought not to live any longer.

<sup>25</sup>"But I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death; and since he himself appealed to the Emperor, I decided to send him.

<sup>26</sup>"Yet I have nothing definite about him to write to my lord. Therefore I have brought him before you all and especially before you, King Agrippa, so that after the investigation has taken place, I may have something to write.

<sup>27</sup>"For it seems absurd to me in sending a prisoner, not to indicate also the charges against him."

### § Hymn

Once in Royal David's City

No. 225

### Prayer of Confession, Petition and Intercession

#### § Hymn

All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord

No 219

#### Scripture Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

Pew Bible page 724

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#### Proclamation of God's Word

Behold, My Servant

Pastor Martin

### § Hymn

Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns

No 369

### § Benediction

Pastor Martin

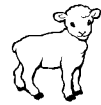
## WELCOME!

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  
*Lord's Supper*  
4:45 PM: Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 PM: Evening Worship



**"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in My name welcomes Me."**

We appreciate those assisting in the nursery:

#### Nursery Workers for Sunday, December 7, 2008:

Sunday School: Barbara Wilder  
Morning Worship: Jeff & Maria Wayne, Margaret Wehle  
Evening Worship: Bill & Barbara Wilder

#### Nursery Workers for Sunday, December 14, 2008:

Sunday School: Barbara Wilder  
Morning Worship: Sam, Ellen & Liz Stubbs  
Evening Worship: Margaret Stannard & Carrie Dueck

### SERVING IN DECEMBER:

Elder of the Month: Larry Poole (268-5514)  
Deacon of the Month: Sam Stubbs (968-9555)  
Greeters of the Month: Tabitha, Suzannah & Alan Way  
Ushers: Troy High & Bill Wilder

## Fellowship Presbyterian Church

### 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!

### Next Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM:

#### Lessons & Carols

(Followed by a Christmas Reception)

Our traditional service of **Lessons & Carols** (which includes Scripture readings, choir anthems and congregational carols) will be held **next Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 PM, followed by a **Christmas Reception** (heavy hors d'oeuvres & Christmas cookies/ desserts).

Please sign-up to bring a tray of hors d'oeuvres or a Christmas dessert.  
Sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

**Remember—Invite your friends and neighbors!!**

**Reminder:** No Wednesday supper, prayer service or catechism this week;  
Wednesday night activities will resume on January 14, 2009.

The PCA Christmas Offering, which is used "to assist PCA retired and disabled pastors, missionaries, Church lay workers, their widows and dependent children who may have financial need," will be received on 12/14, 12/21 & 12/28.

Remember to mark your checks or envelopes "PCA Christmas Offering".

### Attention Choir Members—Final Rehearsals:

SUNDAY, 12/7 (4:45 PM) & WEDNESDAY, 12/10 (6:00 PM)

Bible Reading Calendars (available in the narthex):

"Daily Bible Reading Calendar" (read through the Bible in one year)

"Calendar of Advent Reading for December"

Take extra copies to share with your friends and neighbors!

### DEACON NOMINATIONS:

The Session of Fellowship Presbyterian Church will receive nominations for the office of Deacon beginning mid January 2009; please prayerfully consider who the Lord would have serve in this office.



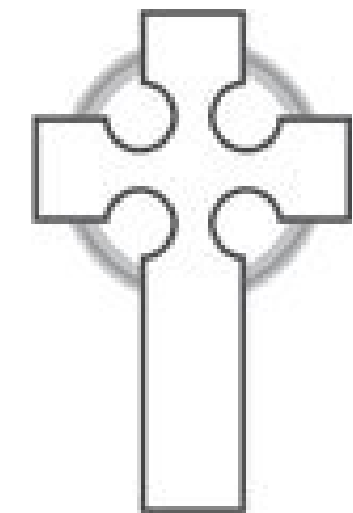
**Operation Christmas Child Update:** We received 26 gift-filled shoe boxes for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child this year. Pray that the gospel of Jesus Christ will be shared with each child and family and that they would look to Christ as their Lord and Savior. ~Thank you, Gwen Hughey

The **December** issue of **TABLETALK** is available (free of charge) to all members and visitors; pick up your copy (in the narthex) today!

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Presbyterian Church in America

December 7, 2008



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