

Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

The Presbyterian Church (USA)
Clemson, South Carolina

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 10, 2010

Our Vision

*Joining together on a journey of Christian faith,
we seek to be Disciples of Christ and to share God's love
in our community and around the world.*

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Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2010, 10:30 A.M.

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Trinity Chimes

Prelude: "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

J. S. Bach

*(The prelude signals the beginning of corporate worship
so bring your individual greetings and conversations to a close at that time. Thank you.)*

Time of Greeting and Fellowship

Laura Conrad

Leader: Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Life of the Church

(Please sign the Friendship Pad, members and guests alike.)

Centering Music

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

+Call to Worship: Isaiah 43:1

Kerin Watts

One: God, who created you says, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

**All: For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your savior.
Do not fear I am with you."**

One: Praise the Lord!

All: The Lord's name be praised!

+Hymn #361: "How Firm a Foundation"

FOUNDATION

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage.

In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace...

(Followed by silent individual confession.)

Assurance of Pardon: (followed by)

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

*+A Faithful Response: Gloria Patri (Hymn #579)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it is was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

(During the singing of the Gloria, children may come to the front.)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Story for All Children

Mary Gause

(Following the story, 3 year olds – Kindergarten may leave THROUGH THE SIDE DOOR for extended care.

Visitors: please accompany your child to the nursery for registration purposes.)

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God.**)

Anthem: "O Morning Star"

Nicolai

Epistle Reading: Acts 8:14-17 (The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God.**)

Sermon: Baptized in Water and Spirit

Laura Conrad

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+Hymn #326: "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

MORECAMBE

+Reaffirmation of Baptism

Bill Gause

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Lord and life-giving Spirit, who charged the waters with life when first the world began:

Make us dead to sin, but alive to you.

Saving Lord, who sheltered us with Noah in the ark upon the flood:

Drown our sin and raise us to new life.

Giver of freedom, who led your people out of slavery through the waters that did not overwhelm:

Drown our sin and raise us to new life.

O God, our provider, who gives thirsty people water from a rock:

Make us dead to sin, but alive to you.

Holy Lord, who gives water to purify what is unclean:

Drown our sin and raise us to new life.

Brooding Spirit, who anointed Jesus with your power of life no death could conquer:

Make us dead to sin, but alive to you.

Risen Lord Jesus Christ, who poured yourself out as a drink offering on our behalf, filling us with your Spirit:

Make us dead to sin, but alive to you.

Spirit of the Living God, who charges the waters of baptism with resurrection power so we might live as part of God's New Creation:

Drown our sin and raise us to new life.

Drench us once more in your life-giving Spirit, Almighty God, that we might be cleansed, sustained, and anointed with your power as we proclaim with boldness and live with joy the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to whom be all honor and dominion and glory now and forevermore.

Amen.¹

Prayers of the People and "The Lord's Prayer" (front of Hymnal, pg. 16)

("and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors")

Invitation to Discipleship

Offering of Oneself and One's Gifts to God and to God's Church

Offertory: "Christ Our Lord to Jordan Came"

Marcel Dupre

+Doxology (Hymn #592)

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

+Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

O Lord, we give you thanks with all we are for all you have done for us. Take all we are, Lord, and use it for your purpose. Bless the gifts we give this day that the church might stand as a shining witness to your glory, planted by your living water to bring healing to all peoples. Amen.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

+Hymn #492: "Baptized in Water"

BUNESSAN

+Benediction and Choral Response

+Postlude: Hornpipe from Suite Baroque

Joseph Lowe

¹ Based on the Prayer "Baptism in the Spirit," No. 130 in *The Wideness of God's Mercy: Litanies to Enlarge Our Prayer*, Vol. I: Prayers for the Church, Jeffery W. Rowthorn, ed. (Minneapolis: Seabury Press, 1985), 185-186.

+indicates that all who are able may stand

*indicates that Ushers will seat late worshipers

SERVICE NOTES FOR 10:30 AM SERVICE

- Following worship please introduce yourself to those around you. Don't take it for granted they know who you are; tell them your name. **Laura Conrad** will be at the Edgewood Avenue Door; **Mary Gause** will be at the Porte-cochere Door and **Bill Gause** will be at the Courtyard Door.
- We welcome visitors to worship today and pray the service will be a blessing to you. Please print your name on the Friendship Pad when it is passed and introduce yourself to those who are seated around you. You are invited and welcome to participate in all the programs of Fort Hill Church. If you would like to join our church, please indicate this on the Friendship Pad.
- The Elder on duty today is **Charles Barron**. Following worship, the Elder on Duty will be at the Baptismal Font. If you would like to join the church, express a joy or concern or make a suggestion to the Session, please speak to this Elder on Duty.
- The flowers today are given by Lee Churchfield to the glory of God and in appreciation of our Pastoral and Support Staff and in memory of Richard Churchfield and Mary Crosland.
- Please honor the worship experience by refraining from photography during the service.
- Child care is offered during worship for children through age 5. Childcare for children 0-3 years of age begins at 10:15 am in education building (first floor). Please ask usher for directions to nurseries.
- Restrooms are located at front (handicapped-accessible) and rear of Sanctuary and adjacent buildings.
- Hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.
- Scripture passages for next Sunday are: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Cor. 12:1-11; John 2:1-11.

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

Pastor On Call (1/11 - 1/17)

Mary Gause (Call 654-2065 between 4:30 pm and 8:30 am)

(This information is also available each week on our answering machine after normal business hours.)

Deacons Corner – Care Line: If you know of any congregational member who needs care for illness, anticipated surgery or hospitalization, a birth or death in the family, or any other concerns that the church family should know and pray about, please call FHPC Care Line, 864-654-2061.

Prayer Request cards are available in each pew rack. Please fill out card and place in offering plate.

Offering Counters for Today
Janet Bean and Linda Gahan

Offering Counters for Next Sunday
Betty and Jimmy Dean

Nursery Workers for Today

Stephanie Scott and Nancy Oates, Ellen Torrence, Anita, Mik and Erik Fredman, Kristen McInnis and Corey Norris

Nursery Workers for Next Sunday

Tootie Poteet, Betty Dean and Virginia Ellis, Meri Kate and Philip Marcum, Chryssa Rutland and Barbara Madison

Attendance from 1/3/10:	10:30 Worship	234	Sunday School	112	8:30 Worship	92
Attendance from last year 1/4/09:	10:30 Worship	195	Sunday School	88	8:30 Worship	55

Head Ushers for January: Alice Thalheimer / John Spragins; **Head Ushers** for February: Wes Worley and Leslie Hicklin

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sun. 1/10	8:30 AM	Worship – Tartan Hall
	9:15 AM	Sunday School – Various Locations
	10:30 AM	Worship - Sanctuary
	1:00 PM	CAPS – Tartan Hall
	2:00 PM	Cub Scouts – Bethlehem Hall
	4:00 PM	Officer Elect Training – Club Room
	4:30 PM	Middle School Youth Group – Youth Room and Club Room
	4:30 PM	JAM (3 rd – 5 th grade chimes) – Room 205
	5:00 PM	Jesus Jammers (K – 2 nd grade music group) – Room 205
	6:00 PM	Senior High Youth Group – Club Room and Youth Room
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Mon. 1/11	9:30 AM	Circle 3 – Club Room
	5:30 PM	Girl Scouts – Club Room
	7:00 PM	Finance Ministry Meeting - Library
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts – Tartan Hall, Club Room, dungeon
Tues. 1/12	7:15 PM	Christian Education Ministry Meeting – Room 206
	9:30 AM	Staff meeting – Conference Room
	11:30 AM	InDwellings Lunch – Club Room
	6:00 PM	Building & Grounds Ministry Meeting – Conference Room
	6:00 PM	Folk Dance Group – Club Room
	7:00 PM	Cub Scouts – Tartan Hall
	7:30 PM	Foothills Chorale rehearsal – Choir Room
	7:30 PM	Circle 2 - Library
Wed. 1/13	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
	3:00 PM	Sermon Starters – Clemson Downs
	5:30 PM	Worship Ministry Meeting – Conference Room
	6:15 PM	Handbell rehearsal – Choir Room
Thur. 1/14	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir rehearsal – Choir Room
	2:15 PM	OLLI class - Library
	6:30 PM	Old Stone Church Commission Meeting – Library
	7:00 PM	Session Meeting – Club Room
Friday 1/15	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
	12:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous – Education Building
Sat. 1/16	9:00 AM	Delta Kappa Gamma – Club Room

Staff Notes

Rodney Norris will be on Sabbatical from Nov. 2, 2009 – Feb. 1, 2010.

Pansy Duke will be on vacation January 14 – 19, 2010.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of FHPC member Elizabeth Royal upon her death on January 4, 2010.

The Building and Grounds Ministry meeting will be on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 6:00 pm in the conference room.

The Christian Education Ministry meeting will be on Monday, January 11, 2010 at 7:15 pm in room 206.

There will be No 2nd Sunday Supper this month. Our next 2nd Sunday Supper will be a Valentine's Day Extravaganza on Sunday, February 14th. More info to come.

Sermon Starters at Clemson Downs will be focusing on the Epistle passages for upcoming worship services.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be meeting at Hazel Sparks' home on Monday, January 18, at 10:00 am. All are welcome to join in the fellowship of creating shawls, or some of the other projects members have shared. Hazel's address is 200 Lancelot Dr., Clemson, 654-3617.

Love to rock babies? Get a kick out of the honesty of children? Miss your grandchildren, nieces, nephews? Then have we got a job for you! We are seeking volunteers for the church nursery! You will serve 5 Sundays throughout the year and can choose your age group - infants, toddlers, 2/3 year olds, or 4/5 year olds - and if you prefer 8:30am or 10:30am. If this sounds like it's up your alley, contact Mary Gause at 654.2061 or mary.gause@forthillchurch.org.

Fort Hill Address Change - Due to safety concerns the Session decided to change our address to Edgewood Avenue. In the event of an emergency, medical personnel, fire, and police can respond to our most used Main doors of entrance the Sanctuary front doors and the main entrance to our Administration building. As of January 15, 2010, our new address will be 101 Edgewood Avenue, Clemson, SC 29631.

Officer Training begins this afternoon - Officer Elects will be meeting the remaining Sundays in January from 4:00-6:00 pm in the Club Room. Study materials are available for pick-up in the FHOG office along with today's assignment.

Young Adult Group is made up of singles and couples in their 20s and 30s with or without children who gather together for spiritual, social and service events. We meet the last Monday of every month for Theology on Tap to discuss a theological topic for the night. We meet every third Sunday for lunch following the 10:30 worship service. To be added to the young adult email list, email ebritt@alumni.clemson.edu. **Up-Coming Dates to Remember – January 17** - Lunch after church. Place to be determined. **January 25** - Theology on Tap - 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Place to be determined.

Middle School News – Last week we all had several laughs playing “Family Feud” with our parents. This week we will meet at our regular time (4:30 – 6:30) to look at “GOD as a Rescuer”.

Up-Coming Events - **January 31** - Snow tubing at Sapphire Valley, NC. **Summer Dates – July 5-10** - mission trip to Ronceverte, WV. **July 21-25** - Montreat Middle School Conference at Presbyterian College.

Senior High News - The Senior High Youth group will meet at regular time tonight (6:00) for supper followed by activities in the Youth Room from 6:30-8:00. We had a great group last Sunday and look forward to seeing even more youth this Sunday. **Up-Coming Events** – **Feb. 5-7** – Ski Trip to WinterPlace, WV. **March 19-21** – Foothills Presbytery Sr. High Retreat in Montreat. **Summer Dates - June 18-27** - mission trip to Camp Kintail in Canada. **July 11-17** - Montreat Conference.

Presbyterian Student Association – For weekly information on our University Ministry, please see the PSA Corner insert in each week's bulletin.

Presbyterian Women Winter Retreat will be January 23, 2010, from 9:30 am - 3:00 pm at Keowee Key Marina; cost is \$15. Speaker/Facilitator is Debbie Foster and her topic is *Tapestry*. Send your name and a check for \$15 made out to Presbyterian Women to Joan Booth, 12 Yeoman Lane, Salem SC 29676.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

JAM & Jesus Jammers!!! JAM (3rd-5th graders) and Jesus Jammers (K-2nd graders) will start again this afternoon! JAM will meet at 4:30 pm to play the chimes with Jesus Jammers joining the group for singing fun from 5-5:30 pm!

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord with Musical Explorers!!! We will be singing with our preschoolers (4&5-yr. olds and 2&3-yr. olds) during the 10:30 Children's Church time. Our song selection for January includes "Rise & Shine," "Jesus Wants Me for A Sunbeam," "Stand Up, Sit Down," and other Bible song favorites. If you have any questions about the Musical Explorers program, please contact Kristy MacRae at krmacrae@hotmail.com.

Dr. Matthew Manwarren, who served as organist at Fort Hill Church for many years, will be appearing in recital at Anderson University, Daniel Recital Hall, on Jan. 20, 2010, at 3:00 pm. Tickets can be obtained at Phil Jewelers in Anderson, by calling 864-397-0115 for reservations, or at the door depending on availability the day of the concert. For more information, contact Dr. Christine Miller at 864-231-0859.

OUTREACH

The Feed the 5000 collection (containers for donating at doors as you enter or leave) on 1/3/10 was \$92.06. The money goes to Clemson Community Care, Our Daily Bread, Golden Corner Food Bank and Safe Harbor II to buy food.

You can help Safe Harbor II women's shelter. For each \$10 you spend at Bloom, you get a Happy Point. The points are collected on cards and exchanged for toasters, coffeemakers, etc. The promotion runs until Tuesday, February 2. Put your Happy Points and/or cards in the red topped clear plastic container labeled "Bloom Happy Points for Safe Harbor II" located in the FHOG office.

NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, will offer a FREE 12 week course to first degree relatives of an adult with a major mental illness. Classes will be held on Sunday afternoons in Clemson from February 7, 2010- May 2, 2010, except Easter Sunday. Class size is limited, and pre-registration is required. For more information contact: Michelle Ready, 882-5131, michelleready@hotmail.com. www.namiaop.org

It's that time of year again! The City of Clemson is accepting new registrations for donations to Clemson Community Care through your water bill. Sign up throughout the month of January to make an automatic \$1 (or more, if desired) monthly donation to CCC as part of your water bill payment. You can pick up a sign-up form at CCC or sign up through their website at <http://www.clemsoncommunitycare.org> (click on "How you can help"). This is a quick and easy way to make a small donation that makes a big difference!

PASTORAL STAFF: Laura Conrad, Pastor (laura.conrad@forthillchurch.org); Bill Gause, AP for University Ministry (bill.gause@forthillchurch.org); Mary Cunningham Gause, AP for Christian Education (mary.gause@forthillchurch.org); Rodney Norris, AP for Youth and Young Adult Ministry (rodney.norris@forthillchurch.org); Pansy Duke, Parish Visitor (pansy.duke@forthillchurch.org); Jack Lovett Stevenson, Pastoral Counselor (jps28@bellsouth.net)

SESSION: Mary Dusenberry – Interim Clerk, Sally Martin – Assistant Clerk, Mike Blackwell - Treasurer
Class of 2010: Caleb Bailey, Bill Cato, Bob Folsom, Bobby Skelton, William Spitler, John Spragins, Alice Thalheimer, Linda Wofford

Class of 2011: Chris Bandy, Charles Barron, Becky DeWitt, Amy Elrod, Leslie Hicklin, Ethel Pettigrew, Cal Sawyer

Class of 2012: Elizabeth Bost, Terri Bruce, Will Gregory, Sally Martin, Kristen McInnis, Randy Moore

DEACONS: Lee Churchfield – Moderator, Larry Goodwin – Vice-Moderator

Class of 2010: Myra Cato, Lee Churchfield, Betty Dean, Joan Dixon, Cynthia Gravely, Edmee Reel, Cathy Spragins, Tom Wooten

Class of 2011: Michael Bailey, Susan Brown, Larry Goodwin, Karen Lindenmeyer, Betty Long, Stephanie Scott, Audrey Thompson, Eva Williamson

Class of 2012: Janet Bean, Debbie Collins, Robert Key, John McGregor, Cathy McInnis, Alison Reynolds, Suzan Simmons, Bryan Young

TRUSTEES: Danny Gregg (2010), Joe Dickey (2011), Robin Weeks (2012)
Endowment Committee: The Three Elected Trustees, Member At Large, Jim Phillips

CHURCH STAFF: Administrative Assistant: Fran Solesbee (fran.solesbee@forthillchurch.org)
Office Administrator: Lori Houck (lori.houck@forthillchurch.org)
Sexton: Milton Benson, Assistant Sexton: Doris Clark

PRESBYTERIAN COUNSELING CENTER: The Rev. Dr. Jack Lovett Stevenson (653-4025 or 442-9003)

MISSIONARIES: Rodney and Sharyn Babe – Haiti
David and Susan Thomas – Cuernavaca, Mexico
Dr. Michael and Nancy Haninger – Democratic Republic of Congo

MUSIC: Chancel Choir Director – Bill Diekhoff (billyd4@charter.net)
Organist – Judy Bonham (bonhamj_44@yahoo.com)
Pianist – Becky Bowman
Children’s Choir Director – Kristy MacRae (krmacrae@hotmail.com)

CHURCH SCHOOL:

Classes for Children and Adults at 9:15 am Nursery and preschool extended session at 10:30 am
Superintendent: Tom Wooten Nursery workers: Sarah Kolacki, Amanda Towery, Michelle Blackwell, Andrea Adderhold

MIDDLE SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP: Advisors: Jackie Martin, Colin Pettigrew, Dick and Laura Shick

SENIOR HIGH FELLOWSHIP: Advisors: Andy and Reagan Blondeau, Cyndi Davis, LeAnne Greene, Nick Greene, Mark McInnis

PRESBYTERIAN STUDENT ASSOC. (PSA): Bill Gause, AP for University Ministry: bill.gause@forthillchurch.org (654-3705)
Kerin Watts, University Ministry Intern: kerin.watts@forthillchurch.org (654-9207)

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: Carol Stout, Moderator; Linda Gahan, Moderator-Elect; Janette Hamilton, Secretary; Anna Tollison, Treasurer
Circle 1 – meets first Monday at 12:15 pm, Donna Crader & Eva Henry, Co-Leaders
Circle 2 – meets second Tuesday at 7:30 pm, Clinta Moore & Elaine Prock, Co-Leaders
Circle 3 – meets second Monday at 9:30 am, Gayle McGregor & Lisa Street, Co-Leaders
Circle 5 – meets first Monday at 3:00 pm, Laura Lefevre & Hazel Sparks, Co-Leaders
Circle 7 – meets fourth Monday at 9:15 am; Rotating leadership; Moms with younger children

MEN OF THE CHURCH: Bob Littleson, President; Gus Gustafson, Treasurer - Meets monthly – first Tuesday at 7:00 am

FORT HILL PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL: Shelley Burchfield, Director; Donna McCubbin, Treasurer

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Pack 235: Tim Howard, Cubmaster; Jay Jones, Committee Chairperson; Helen Adams, Institution Representative

Troop 235: Vic Shelburne, Scoutmaster; Bill Foster, Committee Chairperson; Helen Adams, Institution Representative

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