

Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

The Presbyterian Church (USA)
Clemson, South Carolina

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 7, 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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Holy Communion

February 7, 2010, 10:30 A.M.

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Trinity Chimes

Prelude: "Gift of Finest Wheat" (Text at Hymn #521)

Charles Callahan

*(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: The 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 6:1-4

Avery Conrad

One: I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew.

All: **And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.'**

One: The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

All: **And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!'**

+Hymn #138: "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

NICAEA

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Bill Gause

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. *(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: Hymn #355: "Hear the Good News of Salvation"

NETTLETON

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Story for All Children

Cub Scout Leaders: Tim Howard, Jay Jones

(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.)

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 138 (Unison)

Cortland Young

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything. On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord. For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me. The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

(The Word of the Lord/Thanks be to God.)

Anthem: "May Thy Holy Spirit"

Tschesnokoff

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (The Word of the Lord/Thanks be to God.)

Ben Wofford

Sermon: Table Manners 101: "Pass the Grace, Please"

Laura Conrad

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+Hymn #525: "Here I Am, Lord"

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

Mary Gause

("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: "We Come to the Hungry Feast"

David Cherwien

+Hymn #507: "I Come with Joy" (Stz. 1-3)

DOVE OF PEACE

The Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Communion of God's People

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

+Hymn #507: "I Come with Joy" (Stz. 4-5)

DOVE OF PEACE

+Benediction and Choral Response

+Postlude: Holy Manna

Wilbur Held

+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; **Bill Gause** will be at the Porte-cochere Door and **Mary 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 **Linda Wofford**. 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 Eddie and Megan Chavis in honor of Lauren's first birthday.
- The Elders serving communion today are: Elizabeth Bost, Terri Bruce, Will Gregory, Sally Martin, Kristen McInnis, Randy Moore, Caleb Bailey, Bill Cato, Bobby Skelton and William Spitler.
- Please honor the worship experience by refraining from photography during the service.
- Childcare 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 (1st floor). Please ask usher for directions.
- 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: Exod. 34:29-35, Psalm 99, 2 Cor. 3:12-4:2, Luke 9:28-36 (37-43).

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

Pastor On Call (2/8 - 2/14)

Rodney Norris (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

Evelyn Rabey and Diane Sherrick

Offering Counters for Next Sunday

Wayne Madison and Joe Dickey

Nursery Workers for Today

Jeannette Carr and Kitty Dunn, Joy Van Daele, Dan and Denise Anderson, John and Kelly McRoberts

Nursery Workers for Next Sunday

Nancy Spitler, Tracy and Tommy Bolger, Ally and Josh Young

Attendance from 1/31/10:	10:30 Worship	205	Sunday School	98	8:30 Worship	56
Attendance from last year 2/1/09:	10:30 Worship	269	Sunday School	132	8:30 Worship	75

Head Ushers for February: Wes Worley and Leslie Hicklin; Head Ushers for March: Becky DeWitt and Linda Wofford.

Staff Notes – Laura Conrad is attending the Clergy Women's Preaching Roundtable this week Monday-Thursday.

Christian Sympathy is extended to Janet Johnson and family upon the death of Janet's brother, Richard Mosher, on Jan. 16 in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Christian Sympathy is extended to Randall Poole and family upon the death of Randall's brother, Perry Edmond Poole, on Feb. 2 in Greer, SC.

Known to have been in the hospital: Greenville Memorial – Elaine Prock

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sun. 2/7	8:30 AM	Worship – Tartan Hall
	9:15 AM	Sunday School – Various Locations
	10:30 AM	Worship - Sanctuary
	11:45 AM	Board of Deacons Meeting – Club Room
	1:00 PM	CAPS – Tartan Hall
	2:00 PM	NAMI Family to Family Class – 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
Mon. 2/8	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
	9:15 AM	Valentine Box Packing – Tartan Hall
	9:30 AM	Circle 3 – Club Room
	5:30 PM	Girl Scouts – Club Room
Tues. 2/9	7:00 PM	Finance Ministry Meeting – Library
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts – Tartan Hall, Club Room, dungeon
	9:30 AM	Staff meeting – Conference Room
	6:00 PM	Folk Dance Group – Club Room
	7:00 PM	Cub Scouts – Tartan Hall
Wed. 2/10	7:30 PM	Circle 2 - Library
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
	3:00 PM	Sermon Starters – Clemson Downs
	5:30 PM	Worship Ministry Meeting – Conference Room
Thur. 2/11	6:15 PM	Handbell rehearsal – Choir Room
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir rehearsal – Choir Room
	2:00 PM	Bud Vase Preparation – Club Room
Friday 2/12	2:15 PM	OLLI class - Library
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
	12:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous – Education Building
	5:30 PM	Elementary Fellowship – Club Room

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

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. Effective immediately, our new address is: 101 Edgewood Avenue, Clemson, SC 29631.

There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, February 14, at 10:15 am in the sanctuary for the purpose of approving terms of call for pastoral staff. Our PCUSA Book of Order requires that a congregational vote be taken on matters of compensation for pastors. The congregation will be given the recommended salary and housing amounts as presented by Personnel and Program Support on behalf of Session. See Moderator of Personnel, Elder Charles Barron, if you have questions.

This Sunday is the Souper Bowl of Caring. Our youth will be at every door after the 8:30 and 10:30 worship services with pots to collect money to help fight hunger in our community. Please give a dollar as you leave service on Sunday. All the money collected will go to Clemson Community Care to help fight hunger right here in Clemson. Thousands and thousands of churches all over the US will be collecting money this Sunday to help fight the battle against hunger.

The Board of Deacons are meeting today at 11:45 am in the Club Room. This meeting was previously scheduled for last Sunday but was cancelled due to weather conditions.

Join us for a churchwide retreat on February 20-21 in Montreat at the Reynolds Lodge. We'll begin with lunch on Saturday, have a little bit of everything for everybody — from hiking the mountain, to wandering through 10 Thousand Villages, to sharing music and worship and lots more. 24 hours of relaxing fellowship. Cost will be \$25 per adult; \$10 per child under 12. That covers a bed (2 twin beds per room), four tasty meals and lots of fun. Space is limited, so reserve yours now. Make your check out to Fort Hill Church; mark it "Montreat Mtn Mosaic" and put it in Mary Gause's box in the FHOG office.

Ash Wednesday Service, February 17 at 7:00pm - Every year before the Christian Passover we celebrate our redemption through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to renew our life in the paschal mystery. We begin our journey to Easter with the sign of ashes. This ancient sign speaks of the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and marks the penitence of this community. We thus begin this holy season by acknowledging our need for repentance, and for the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel of Jesus Christ. You are invited to observe a holy Lent by self-examination and penitence, by prayer and fasting, by works of love, and by reading and meditating on the Word of God.

The Christian Issues Sunday School Class invites YOU to join us in reading and discussing the book "JUSTICE" by Harvard Professor Michael J. Sandel, which "explores the meaning of justice and invites readers on a journey of moral and political reflection". The class meets at 9:15 in the Library.

The Loyalty Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 14th at 5:30 pm at Clemson First Baptist Church. Exciting plans are being made for a delicious dinner, slide show of church activities, giving of gifts, and a time of friendship and fellowship. Dinner is \$10 for adults, \$3 for children, and a family max \$35. Beginning next Sunday, Feb. 14, we will have sign up tables before and after each worship service for reservations and payment, or you may mail a check to Fort Hill Church marked for Loyalty Dinner.

Do you have photos of Fort Hill Church activities that could be used in a slide show for the Loyalty Dinner? We need photos on a CD or a flashdrive; leave in box labeled Loyalty Dinner Photos in the FHOG office.

Mark your calendars for February's Second Sunday Supper. We'll celebrate the love of Valentine's Day with our version of the Not So Newlywed Game! Join us on Sunday, February 14 at 5:30 for a potluck supper then stick around while our children enjoy a Valentine's Special - Peanuts style - and adults see some famous Fort Hill couples test their marriage knowledge! (Nursery care is provided for our littlest ones.) Participating couples are: Laura and Chuck Conrad, Bob and Susan Brown, Tommi and Jay Jones, Joy and Bobby Skelton and Jeannie and Michael Bailey! See you next Sunday!

5th Annual Presbyterian Piñata(less) Prayer Partner Picnic – We are seeking adults in the church who are willing to be a prayer partner with one of our youth. What does that mean? You will be paired with one of our youth to pray for one another. We will have a picnic on February 28 at the church from 5:30-7:00. It is here where you will meet the youth to whom you will be a prayer partner. During the picnic you and your prayer partner will talk and find out what each of you would like the other one to pray for you about. Then over the next few months you will pray for that youth and they will pray for you everyday. We are not asking you to meet with this youth during this time, just pray for them. Then on April 25 we will have another picnic at the church from 5:30-6:30 so you can catch up with your prayer partner. If you are willing please sign up on the friendship pad or contact Cyndi Davis at 864-885-9884 or davisdcr@bellsouth.net.

Discovering Faith Class for Newer Members or those wanting to know more about our faith and the Presbyterian tradition. We will meet Sunday mornings from 9:30 -10:15 am on Feb. 28, March 7, 14 and 21. Anyone who feels called to join Fort Hill as members may join on March 21 during that session. For more info, contact Laura Conrad at the church office (654-2061) or laura.conrad@forthillchurch.org.

All children 1st grade - 5th grade are invited to meet Friday, February 12th from 5:30-7:30 for pizza and a ministry opportunity! We will be packing Care Kits for our brothers and sisters in Haiti and talking about ways we are called to love...just as God loves us. Children - and anyone else who wishes to donate items - need to bring an item from the list (new washcloths, hand towels, Band-Aids, wide-tooth combs, bath-size bar soap - in original wrapping, and nail clipper) and join us in the Club Room. Please RSVP to Mary (654-2061 or mary.gause@forthillchurch.org) to let us know you are coming! Hope you can join us!

Sign ups for our new Pictorial Directory will begin on February 14 in the Narthex or Tartan Hall. During the week, you may sign up in the FHOG office. Directory pictures will be taken March 23-27 (Tues-Fri 3 - 9 pm; Sat 10 am – 4 pm). Please make every effort to be included in our new directory. There will be an option to sign up online; more info to come on this.

Fort Hill Preschool's registration for fall 2010 classes begins on February 15. Classes are available for children turning two by April 1, 2010 or three, four and five by September 1, 2010. Applications will be available for new students on our website and in the FHOG office. Fort Hill members have priority until March 1. For more information, please call Shelley Burchfield at 654-2061.

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 – February 21** - Lunch after church at Beef 'O Brady's. **February 22** - Theology on Tap at Rockhoppers - 6:30 – 8 pm.

Middle School News – Last week we did not get to go snow tubing, so we are going today. Be at the church today at 12:00 ready to go. We will tube from 2-4 and then return back to the church between 6:00-6:30. There will be no regular youth group tonight. **Important Dates – February 7** – Snow Tubing! Be at the church at 12:00. The cost is \$17.00. Bring some warm, waterproof clothes, plus some clothes to change into for the trip home. **February 10** – African Children's Choir at the Brooks Center. You must be signed up to go. Please contact Rodney ASAP if you have not signed up but would like to go. **We will meet at the Brooks Center at 6:30. February 28** – Prayer Partner Picnic. **March 14** – Loyalty Dinner. **April 18** – 3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off to raise money for our summer mission trip. **May 30** – Year End Lake Party. **Summer Dates – July 5-10** – Summer mission trip to Ronceverte, WV. **July 21-25** – Montreat Middle School Conference at PC.

Sr. High News – Last week we had a great time at youth group. We will not have youth group tonight. We will be returning from WV and a wonderful weekend of snow, skiing and snowboarding. **Important Dates – February 10** – African Children's Choir at the Brooks Center. You must be signed up to go. Please contact Rodney ASAP if you have not signed up but would like to go. **We will meet at the Brooks Center at 6:30. February 28** – Prayer Partner Picnic. **March 14** – Loyalty Dinner. **March 19-21** – Foothills Presbytery Sr. High Retreat in Montreat. The cost is \$120 and the registration deadline is tomorrow Monday, February 8. **May 30** – Sr. Day in worship and year end lake party. **Summer Dates – June 18-27** – Summer mission trip to Camp Kintail in Canada. If you have not signed up please contact Rodney ASAP. **July 11-17** – Montreat.

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

PSA - YARD SALE! Donate Your Used & Unwanted Items! Got junk? Want to get rid of it? PSA is taking donations for a yard sale to help offset costs of the Nicaragua Mission trip. If you have unwanted items (furniture, electronics, bric-a-brac, etc.) we would love to take them off your hands! You can drop off your old stuff at the PSA student center or call Bill or Kerin at 654-9207 or by e-mail at PSA@Clemson.edu to arrange for pick-up. The yard sale will be held Saturday, February 27th from 8am to noon in the PSA parking lot. All proceeds will go directly to funding the Mission Trip to Nicaragua. We are accepting donations through February 21st. Unfortunately we can not accept clothes at this time.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

JAM & Jesus Jammers!!! JAM (3rd-5th graders) and Jesus Jammers (K-2nd graders) will meet today! JAM will meet at 4:30 pm to play the chimes with Jesus Jammers joining the group for singing fun from 5:00-5:30 pm! We will be attending the African Children's Choir Concert this **Wednesday, February 10th** at 7pm! We are so excited to share music with the congregation during the 10:30 service on **February 14th**. JAM and Jesus Jammers will not meet the afternoon of February 14th.

OUTREACH

The Feed the 5000 collection (containers for donating at doors as you enter/leave) on 1/31/10 was \$46.05. The money goes to Clemson Community Care, Our Daily Bread, Golden Corner Food Bank & Safe Harbor II.

In response to the devastation in Haiti, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) and Water Missions International are sending funds to help with this dire situation. PDA provides assistance in the forms of food, water, medical supplies, cleaning supplies, basic necessities while Water Missions helps create clean water supplies. To make a contribution through either of these organizations, please make checks payable to Fort Hill Church but note either "PDA - Haiti" or "Water Missions - Haiti" in the memo line.

Habitat House Update - Even though work on the Habitat house did not take place last Saturday due to bad weather, workers are making good progress on the home. The porch is just about finished and work on the back steps is in progress. The drywall mudding is complete and cleaning and priming the walls should be complete so the next step is the painting of the interior walls. The Clemson landscape crew has a lot of yard work to complete but have been delayed due to all the mud. If you would like to help, contact Wes Worley at wes.worley@att.net or 654-9449.

Clemson Area Congregations in Touch (CACIT) is sponsoring Lay Academy 2010, a roundtable discussion on poverty, February 11 & 18 at 7:00 pm, in the Worship Center of Clemson United Methodist Church. Session 2: **The Reality of Poverty - Thursday, February 11, 2010. Guest speaker:** Rev. Beth Templeton of United Ministries in Greenville, and Director of [Our Eyes are Opened](#). She is the author of the book "Loving Our Neighbor: A Thoughtful Approach to Helping People in Poverty", and a national speaker on poverty.