

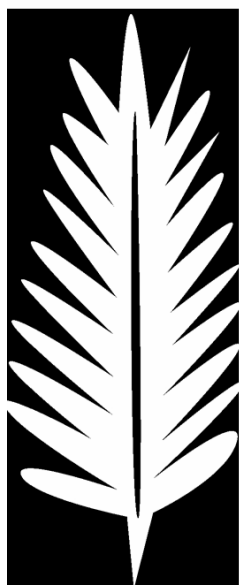
Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

The Presbyterian Church (USA)

Clemson, South Carolina

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 14, 2010



Fourth SUNDAY IN Lent

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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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

4th Sunday in Lent

March 14, 2010, 10:30 A.M.

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

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: "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now"

Wilbur Held

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

+Call to Worship: (from Psalm 32)

Mary Gause

One: Let all the faithful offer prayers to God! In times of distress, trouble shall not overtake us.

All: You are a hiding place for us, O God, you preserve us and show us your way.

One: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous.

All: And shout for joy, all you upright hearts, for steadfast love surrounds those who trust in God.

+Hymn #379: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

SOLID ROCK

Lenten Journey Reflections

Laura Lefevre and Beth Wilkinson, PW

Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God, our Rock and our Redeemer, hear our confession.

We worship idols of our own making;

when temptation overtakes us we submit to its charm.

We find it easier to grumble at hardships than to praise you for mercies we receive day by day; yet, you promise that you will be faithful still.

Forgive us when we take advantage of your extravagant love, and restore us into communion with you.

(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 #356, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing", verse 3

NETTLETON

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Story for All Children

*(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: Joshua 5:8-12 (The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God.**)

Anthem: "How Can I Keep From Singing?"

Nelson

New Testament: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 (The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God.**)

Sermon: The Lost Boys

Laura Conrad

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+Hymn #370: "Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

WOODWORTH

+Affirmation of Faith – "The Apostles' Creed"

Rodney Norris

**I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into
hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I
believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of
sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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: "O Sacred Head"

Rheinberger

+Doxology (#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)

**Lord, we bring you our treasure for your glory. We know and trust that where our treasure is
there our hearts will be also. We find our treasure in you, and we offer you these gifts as a sign
of our commitment and thanksgiving. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Amen.**

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

+Hymn #280: "Amazing Grace"

AMAZING GRACE

+Benediction

+Postlude

+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, **Rodney Norris** 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 **Will Gregory**. 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.
- 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: Isa. 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Phil. 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8.

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

Pastor On Call (3/15 - 3/21)

Laura Conrad (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

Linda Gahan and Janet Bean

Offering Counters for Next Sunday

Betty and Jimmy Dean

Nursery Workers for Today

Megan and Eddie Chavis, Lauren and Samantha Young, Donna McCubbin and Helen Mohr, Leslie, Evan and Alex Hicklin

Nursery Workers for Next Sunday

Sally Martin, Joan Dixon and Virginia Ellis, Emily Bartels and Kristy MacRae, Shelly and Nathan Wilson

Attendance from 3/7/10:	10:30 Worship	309	Sunday School	170	8:30 Worship	68
Attendance from last year 3/8/09:	10:30 Worship	239	Sunday School	148	8:30 Worship	89

Head Ushers for March: Becky DeWitt and Linda Wofford.

Known to have been in the hospital: Jerry Lesley, St. Francis

Staff notes: Bill Gause and Kerin Watts are with PSA students on Mission Trip to Nicaragua.

Loyalty Dinner Tonight! See you tonight at 5:30 pm for a fun evening with your church family – good food, door prizes, music and fellowship. Bring your door prizes tonight – special gifts, baked goods, gift certificates for restaurants and/or services AND/OR canned goods or donations for Clemson Community Care.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sun. 3/14	8:30 AM	Worship – Tartan Hall
	9:15 AM	Sunday School – Various Locations
	10:30 AM	Worship – Sanctuary
	2:00 PM	Cub Scouts – Bethlehem Hall
	2:30 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
	5:30 PM	Loyalty Dinner – Clemson First Baptist Church
Mon. 3/15	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
	10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry – Hazel Sparks' home
	5:30 PM	Christian Action Ministry meeting - Library
Tues. 3/16	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts - Tartan Hall, Club Room, dungeon
	9:30 AM	Staff meeting – Conference Room
	9:30 AM	PW Coordinating Team meeting – Club Room
	12:00 PM	Outdoor Ministries meeting – Club Room
	4:30 PM	Wedding Guild meeting – Club Room
	6:00 PM	Folk Dance Group – Tartan Hall
	7:00 PM	Session meeting – Club Room
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Wed. 3/17	10:00 AM	OLLI class – Club Room
	1:30 PM	OLLI class – Club Room
	3:00 PM	Sermon Starters – Clemson Downs
	5:00 PM	Webelos – Club Room
	7:00 PM	Bible Study – Club Room
Thur. 3/18	9:00 AM	OLLI class – Tartan Hall
	10:00 AM	OLLI class – Club Room
	10:00 AM	Bible Study - Library
	2:15 PM	OLLI class – Library
	5:00 PM	FHIC - Library
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Friday 3/19	12:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous – Education Building

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be meeting at Hazel Sparks' home, Monday, March 15, at 10am. 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.

The Board of Deacons is looking for a few good men and women (just like the saying of the Marine Corps). The FHPC Deacons need shepherds who will work closely with our deacons and the members of the Deacons' circles of care. Caring is the job description for this position! This volunteer job is full of enjoyment as we get to know our members better in our small groups. There will be training available for new shepherds and the continuing shepherds at a date to be determined. To volunteer, please email churchfield@bellsouth.net.

For the Sundays during Lent we will build our Lenten collage, which will include the items that Jesus used to wash the feet of the disciples during the Last Supper. The Lenten Season will then culminate in our own celebration of the washing of feet during the Maundy Thursday Service on April 1st. We still two people to assist in the building of our Lenten collage for either the 8:30 service or the 10:30 service on Sunday, March 28. One

person will read scripture as the other person adds to the collage. If anyone is interested in being a part of the Lenten services, please contact Evanne Thies at 864-653-0463 or evannehere3@yahoo.com.

It is a centuries old tradition to place a note with a prayer request in the Western Wall in Jerusalem. Following in that tradition, we invite you to do the same on one of our Fort Hill prayer walls. During Lent, these walls will be available in the narthex and Tartan Hall. Feel free to write as much or as little as you wish on a purple sticky note and then place that note upon the wall. These requests will stay up through Lent where all are invited to stop by and say a short prayer for them all.

We are reviving the tradition of Sunday afternoon outings in the Clemson Forest. Make plans to join Ben Sill and Ette Ruppert on Palm Sunday, March 28, weather permitting, for a ramble on the Lake Issaqueena Trail in the North Forest. Carpools will leave at 2 pm from the lower level Edgewood Ave. parking lot, returning by 4:30. We'll look for spring wildflowers, trees in bloom, birds, and more. Dress comfortably with appropriate footwear. Bring water. Binoculars, camera, and walking stick are up to you. Other outings will follow if there is sufficient interest. Call Ben Sill at 654-2007 or Ette Ruppert at 985-0486 with questions.

Fort Hill Church Adopt A Garden Program - Have you noticed? There are garden plots and shrubbery sections surrounding our newly renovated buildings that need some loving care. It doesn't take much time to pull a weed or trim an excess limb on a small section of our landscape. You have the opportunity to nurture your very own garden right here at Fort Hill. This can be a great family project. Let's make our beautiful campus a Clemson showplace. Sign up on the FHPC Landscape Master Plan displayed in the Narthex starting March 7th. Put your name by the number of the garden or section that you want to adopt for 2010. The Building and Grounds Ministry can help you with any tools or materials that you may need. There is nothing more rewarding than watching your love and caring grow into something wonderful. If you have questions call Bill Thalheimer (864) 944-5450 or email: oconeehiker@bellsouth.net.

Today is the last day to sign up for our new Pictorial Directory in the Narthex, in Tartan Hall. You can still sign up through the link on our Fort Hill Website (www.forthillchurch.org). Directory pictures will be taken March 23-27 (Tues-Fri 3 - 9 pm; Sat 10 am - 4 pm). If you have questions, contact Jessica Goodwin at 226-7502 or jycg2006@yahoo.com. If you need to change your appointment or schedule a sitting at an alternate date/time call Olan Mills Scheduling Department at 1-800-866-2263 weekdays between 9am-9pm.

We need your help! We need folks to come for 4 hours each to greet the members as they arrive to have pictures made. You will check them in and help them fill out the forms and just keep things moving in an orderly fashion. There will be sheets in the narthex and also in Tartan Hall so that you can sign up for the time that suits you best. Thank you for helping us make this directory the best one yet!

Chili Cook-off – April 18th immediately following the 10:30 service. Support the Middle-School Mission Project, compete for the coveted chili pepper award, or just join in the fun and fellowship after church on Sunday! Whatever your reasons for participating, we are just happy you are planning to join us! We are currently seeking Chili competitors and donations for the auction. If you are willing to compete in the cook-off or donate to the auction, please contact Joan Alexander (Joan.RileyRealty@yahoo.com or 653-7226).

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 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 –**
March 21 - Lunch after church. Potluck in the Club Room. **March 23 (Tuesday)** - Theology on Tap - 6:30 – 8:00 pm at Tiger Town Tavern. Also we are planning a trip to go see Greenville Drive baseball game. Watch for details to come.

Middle School News – Last week we had a great time at the Prayer Partner Picnic. We played some games and then met our new prayer partner. **Tonight we will not have youth group.** Tonight is the annual Fort Hill Loyalty Dinner. Come with your family and enjoy some good food and great fellowship. **Important Dates – 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** – 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 the Prayer Partner Picnic. We played some games and then met our new prayer partner. **Tonight we will not have youth group.** Tonight is the annual Fort Hill Loyalty Dinner. Come with your family and enjoy some good food and great fellowship. **Important Dates** – **March 19-21** – Foothills Presbytery Sr. High Retreat in Montreat. **May 30** – Sr. Day in worship and year end lake party. **Summer Dates** – **June 18-27** – 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.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Holy Week services

Maundy Thursday Worship Service on April 1, at 7:30 pm in our sanctuary

Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday, April 4, at the Old Stone Church Cemetery (time TBA)

Easter Worship Services on Sunday, April 4, at 8:30 am (Tartan Hall) and 10:30 am in our sanctuary

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 March includes "I've Got the Joy," "What a Mighty God We Serve," "He's Got the Whole World," and other Bible song favorites. If you have any questions about the Musical Explorers program, contact Kristy MacRae at krmacrae@hotmail.com.

OUTREACH

The Feed the 5000 collection (containers for donating at doors as you enter/leave) on 3/7/10 was \$42.33. The money goes to Clemson Community Care, Our Daily Bread, Golden Corner Food Bank & Safe Harbor II.

Habitat for Humanity House Update - Pickens County Habitat is having spring break volunteers this week from Moravian College and Virginia Tech so we may use some of their help with our house. We are at a brief hiatus on Saturday interior work until we get our final electric hook-up. After that happens we can proceed with vinyl flooring, trim, appliance & bath fixtures. The Tues./Thurs. crew is working outside on porches and steps, weather permitting. Thanks to all those involved in providing such great snacks for the Saturday workers.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering - During Lent, the Presbyterian Church (USA) supports the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. This special offering supports the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. This offering has a strong children's component allowing for great children/family participation. Fish coin boxes along with the calendar provide ways you and your family may contribute. These boxes are located at the entrance to Tartan Hall, the narthex and near the children's worship material in the covered arcade. We hope your family will consider participating in this outreach opportunity!

March Food Drive at Fort Hill for Clemson Community Care - In addition to the vital ongoing donations CCC receives throughout the year, the board (comprised of representatives from local churches) decided that each church in the area conduct an aggressive food drive during a specific month. This would help keep food inventory levels at sustainable levels throughout the year. Given the success of this program in 2009, we are continuing it in 2010. Fort Hill's month this year is March. Throughout the month, please bring canned goods and other packaged food items to church to help the less fortunate in our community. Food can be left in the baskets in the narthex or Tartan Hall on Sundays, or in the Donation Room (the old FHOG office) during the week. Watch your bulletin for lists of specific items needed by CCC throughout the month. Thank you for your support!!

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

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

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

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Class of 2013: Donna Crader, Nan Jones, Edmee Reel, Terri Smith, Harvey Springer, Joy Van Daele, Jane Van Sensus, Gail Williams

TRUSTEES: Joe Dickey (2011), Robin Weeks (2012), Wes Koch (2013)

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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 a.m. Nursery and preschool extended session at 10:30 a.m.

Superintendent: Tom Wooten Nursery workers: Sarah Kolacki, Amanda Towery, Michelle Blackwell, Andrea Aderhold

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 p.m., Donna Crader & Eva Henry, Co-Leaders

Circle 2 – meets second Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., Clinta Moore & Elaine Prock, Co-Leaders

Circle 3 – meets second Monday at 9:30 a.m., Gayle McGregor & Lisa Street, Co-Leaders

Circle 5 – meets first Monday at 3:00 p.m., Laura Lefevre & Hazel Sparks, Co-Leaders

Circle 7 – meets fourth Monday at 9:15 a.m.; Rotating leadership; Moms with younger children

MEN OF THE CHURCH: Bob Littleton, President; Gus Gustafson, Treasurer – Meets monthly – first Tuesday at 7:00 a.m.

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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