

Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

The Presbyterian Church (USA)
Clemson, South Carolina

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 24, 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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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 24, 2010, 10:30 A.M.

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Trinity Chimes

Prelude: "God, Renew Us By Your Spirit"

Dale Woods

*(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

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: "In Haiti, There is Anguish" (see insert)

ST. CHRISTOPHER

(Congregation remain seated in attitude of prayer led by choir.)

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

+Call to Worship

One: On this first day of the week, which is holy, we gather . . .

All: not alone, but as Christ's Body; as ones who would suffer together, we gather . . .

One: On this day of celebration, we gather . . .

All: not in isolation, but in community; as those who care for one another, we gather . . .

One: On this day of joy, not mourning, we gather . . .

**All: not with empty hands, or emptier hearts; but as those baptized by God's grace,
made full by the Holy Spirit, we gather. . .**

+Hymn #442: "The Church's One Foundation"

AURELIA

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rock of our salvation, we know the faults, we try to hide from you and others. We have not cared for all people in the same way. We do think some are more gifted, or better, or more necessary to our needs. We are more willing to rejoice with someone, than to suffer with another. We secretly rejoice when something bad happens to "them" and not to "us." Redeemer of all people, forgive us, for we are all part of your Body and each members of it. Anoint us with your Spirit's power so our eyes might be opened and our ears freed to listen to what Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, teaches us about your love and grace for our lives. *(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 Sung Response: Hymn #492, "Baptized in Water," verse 2

BUNESSAN

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ, our King;
One with His rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praises we sing.**

(During the singing of this 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: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 (The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God.**)

Anthem: "O Love, How Deep"

Schalk

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-36 (The Word of the Lord/**Thanks be to God.**)

Sermon

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+Hymn #425: "Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining"

ABBOT'S LEIGH

+Affirmation of Faith (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*, IV)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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: Elevation on a Gregorian Theme

Dom Paul Benoit

+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)

You remind us, O God, that ours are the hands and feet of Christ. Use these gifts and use us to be the Body of Christ in the world. We pray for the strength and resolve to do the work to which your Spirit calls us. Amen.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

+Hymn #439: "In Christ There Is No East or West"

ST. PETER

+Benediction and Choral Response

+Postlude: Rigaudon

Andre Campra

+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 **Kerin Watts** 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 **Bob Folsom**. 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 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of the Reverend Dr. Wayne P. Todd by Carol Todd.
- 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: Jer. 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; 1 Cor. 13:1-13; Luke 4:21-30.

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

Pastor On Call (1/25 - 1/31)

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

Kitty and Jim Dunn

Offering Counters for Next Sunday

Joan and Paul Borick

Nursery Workers for Today

Janna and Don McKale, Jackie and Joanna Martin, Debbie and David Collins and Amy Worley, Melanie, Hannah and Emma Job

Nursery Workers for Next Sunday

Nina Norris, Tracy and Tommy Bolger, Audrey Thompson and Claudette Bennett, Karen and Cal Sawyer

Attendance from 1/17/10:	10:30 Worship	306	Sunday School	170	8:30 Worship	77
Attendance from last year 1/18/09:	10:30 Worship	227	Sunday School	120	8:30 Worship	78

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

Staff Notes

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

Laura Conrad will be away this afternoon until Wednesday to serve as Chair of the Board of Montreat Conference Center's ARW conference, an arts, recreation, and worship workshop which takes place in May each year.

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.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sun. 1/24	8:30 AM	Worship – Tartan Hall
	9:15 AM	Sunday School – Various Locations
	10:30 AM	Worship - Sanctuary
	1:00 PM	CAPS – Tartan Hall
	1:00 PM	NAMI Interviews – Cooper Classroom
	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. 1/25	9:15 AM
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts – Tartan Hall, Club Room, dungeon
Tues. 1/26	9:30 AM	Staff 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
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Wed. 1/27	3:00 PM	Sermon Starters – Clemson Downs
	3:00 PM	OLLI Class – Club Room
	6:15 PM	Handbell rehearsal – Choir Room
	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir rehearsal – Choir Room
Thur. 1/28	2:15 PM	OLLI class - Library
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Friday 1/29	12:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous – Education Building
Sat. 1/30	9:00 AM	NAMI Interviews – Cooper Classroom

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Christian Sympathy is extended to David Bruce and family upon the death of his uncle, Rev. John Powers, on December 29, 2009, in Leeds, AL.

Christian Sympathy is extended to Fran Solesbee and family upon the death of Fran's uncle, Dr. Freeman Parker, Jr., on January 19, 2010, in Florence, SC.

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

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.

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.

Officer Training this afternoon and next Sunday from 4:00-6:00 pm in the Club Room.

Clean out your cupboards and bring in any bud vases you might have to the Donation Room (formerly the FHOG office) in the box marked Circle #5. We need about 40. Thank you.

The Christian Issues Sunday School Class cordially invites YOU to join us in reading and discussing the book "JUSTICE" by Harvard Professor Michael J. Sandel. This book "explores the meaning of justice and invites readers on a journey of moral and political reflection". On February 7th Lin Dearing will lead our discussion of the first chapter. The Christian Issues class meets at 9:15 in the Library. We are each responsible for getting our copy of the book.

Loyalty Dinner – What? A special, fun family dinner – everyone is invited – children too. **When?** Sunday, March 14th at 5:30 pm. **Where?** Next door at Clemson First Baptist Church. **How much?** Adults \$10, children \$3, family max \$35. Look for weekly updates and mark your calendars!

Valentine's Day Boxes - It is time to let our Fort Hill college students know we love them with special Valentine care packages! Please consider contributing candy, gum/mints, microwave popcorn packs, on-the-go drink mixes for water bottles, protein/power bars, and small school supplies. A box will be in the "Collections" room until February 8th. If you have any questions, contact Maggie Bandy at mbandy@charter.net.

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 25** - Theology on Tap - 6:30 – 8:00 pm at Nick's. Bill Gause will lead our discussion.

Middle School News – Last week we had a great Bible Study and then a fun and productive MLK Day of Service. We cleaned the Youth Room top to bottom – go check it out, parents! It even SMELLS clean! This week we'll meet at our regular time (4:30pm) for Bible Games. Two IMPORTANT notes! We will be getting FHPC Hoodies for the Middle School Group and if you want one, *you need to bring \$17 to Youth Group Sunday night!!* If we get our money in on Sunday, we can have the hoodies to wear on our Snow Tubing trip on Sunday Jan 31 (weather permitting). Upcoming dates to remember: **Souper Bowl of Caring** collecting money after both services on **February 7**. **African Children's Choir** at the **Brooks Center, 7pm, Wednesday, February 10**. **Mission Trip to West Virginia July 5 – 10**. **Montreat at PC July 21 – 25**.

Senior High News - The Senior High Youth group will meet tonight for supper at 6:00 followed by activities at 6:30. Tonight we will be playing our version of the "Newlywed Game". Bring a parent and see how much you do (or do not) know about each other! **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.

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 5-5:30 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. 30, 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/leave) on 1/17/10 was \$73.18. The money goes to Clemson Community Care, Our Daily Bread, Golden Corner Food Bank & Safe Harbor II to buy food.

In response to the devastation in Haiti, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) and Water Missions International have immediately started to send much needed funds to help with this dire situation. However we know this significantly impoverished area will require much in the days ahead. PDA provides assistance in the forms of food, water, medical supplies, cleaning supplies, basic necessities while Water Missions helps create clean water supplies. We hope you will consider making a contribution in any amount to our brothers and sisters in Haiti 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.

Our Missionary to Haiti, Sharyn Babe, was seriously injured during the earthquake. She was medically evacuated to a military hospital at Guantanamo, Cuba, before being transported to a hospital in Fort Lauderdale, FL, where she is being treated for injuries including a back broken in three places. At last report Rodney, who was not at the apartment and had his own miraculous escape, was trying to get to the U.S. to join Sharyn. The family has sent this notice: "The Babe family is so appreciative of all of your prayers. Your care is a great solace to them at this difficult time. At the same time, they are asking that their privacy at the hospital be respected for the moment. If you would like to send notes of prayer, support and care, please use the following address: Sharyn Babe, c/o Presbytery of Tropical Florida, 440 E. Sample Road, Suite 208, Pompano Beach, FL 33064. The presbytery has promised to deliver anything that comes to them on a daily basis."

Volunteer needed! We need someone to take the donated winter clothes to Mission Haven in Atlanta. If you can help, please contact Betty Long (654-4437) or Claudette Bennett (654-4820).

The Old Stone Church and Cemetery Association has released a new section of grave plots, which has been improved and landscaped. There are approximately 600 new sites available at a cost of \$2,500 per plot, one burial per plot. Contact Clarence Rogers at 864-654-3139 (clarencedrogers@bellsouth.net) for further details. The Association accepts tax-deductible contributions for the upkeep and support of the church and cemetery. Mail your contributions to: Old Stone Church and Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 1465, Clemson, SC 29631.

FHPC Habitat House Update - Work is progressing quite well on our Habitat house. The exterior grading is complete and the dry wall mud application is in progress. Interior painting of the ceiling and walls will begin by the end of January so we will be needing painters then. Garland Gravely is directing the porch and step construction so if you want to learn from a real pro let Wes Worley know you are available to help build the porches. If you have not already signed up to help out on a Saturday morning from 8:30am-12:30pm contact Wes at 654-9449 or Wes.Worley@att.net. No experience is necessary, just your time and effort.

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>.

Clemson Child Development Center will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner at Clemson First Baptist Church on February 1 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Adults are \$8 and children under 10 are \$3. Ticket may be purchased in advance from area church reps to the CCDC Board (Marcia Barker from Fort Hill Church) or through Lori Terry at CCDC at 654-3345.

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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 Littleton, 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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