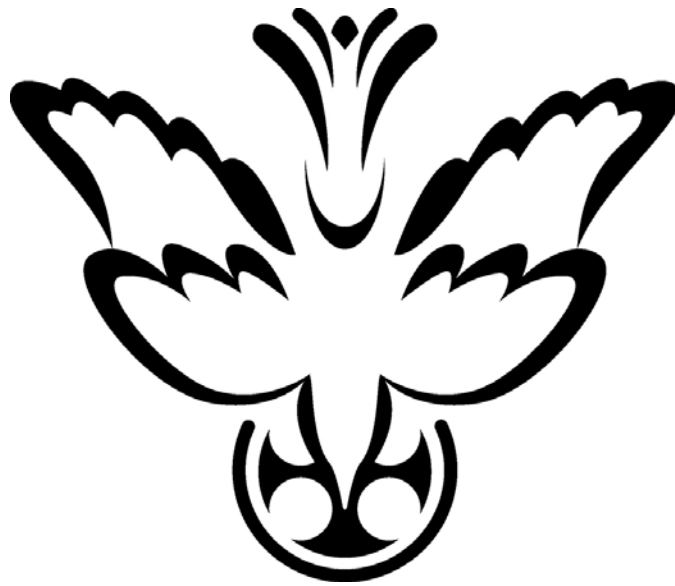


Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

The Presbyterian Church (USA)
Clemson, South Carolina

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
January 9, 2011



“I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.”

Isaiah 42:1

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Service of Worship and Ordination

January 9, 2011

Trinity Chimes

Prelude: *Cantabile*

Locatelli

Welcome and Life of the Church

Laura Conrad

Choral Introit: *Come Into His Presence*

Anonymous

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

+Call to Worship

Eric Thomas

Leader: O for a thousand tongues to sing our great redeemer's name;

People: To sing beyond ourselves, extravagantly, with abandonment, beyond all our possibilities, beyond all our fears, and all our hopes

Leader: To our redeemer dear, the antidote to our death, the salve to our wounds, the resolve of our destructiveness...

People: A thousand, a million, a trillion tongues, more than our own, more than our tradition, more than our tradition, more than our theology, more than our understanding,

Leader: Tongues around us, tongues among us, tongues from our silenced parts.

People: In freedom and courage, we lift our tongues to worship our God!

+ Processional Hymn #466: *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

AZMON

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Christie Gravely

Almighty God, by water and your Holy Spirit you baptize us to be your own and called the church into being. We confess that we hold back the love of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as people made one in Christ. We turn again to you to receive your forgiveness and grace and, in turn, pass it on to one another and to your world so in need of it. (Followed by silent individual confession) Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness: (followed by)

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

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

*+A Faithful Response:

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.

(During the singing of the Gloria Patri, all children remain with your parents.)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Story for All Children

Mary Gause

(Following the story, 3-5 year olds may leave THROUGH THE SIDE DOOR for extended care.

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

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:10-13

Lindy Vogado

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

Anthem: *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* (text is that of hymn #172)

Arr. Wilberg

New Testament Scripture

Acts 16:25-40

Walter Brueggemann

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

Sermon: Old/New...Tell/Sing

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+Hymn: *I Love to Tell the Story*

from The Hymnbook #383

**I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.**

**Refrain: I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love. A-men.**

**I love to tell the story; 'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word.**

Repeat Refrain

**I love to tell the story; for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.**

Repeat Refrain

Invitation to Discipleship

Charles Barron

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

Offertory: *O God Beyond All Praising*

arr. Robert J. Powell

+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)

We are grateful for all the impulses to praise you which come to us in life. We are thankful, O God, that you keep prodding us and pushing us into joy and celebration. We are thankful for spoken words and silent gestures, for laughter and outstretched hands, for back-door mercies and grace that enfolds us. We are especially thankful today for the opportunity to celebrate with Bobby Williamson his commitment to ministry in your name. We will praise your name, O Lord, and will magnify you with thanksgiving. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

Ordination of Robert E. Williamson, Jr. as Minister of Word and Sacrament

Opening Sentences of Scripture and Statement on Ordination

Laura Conrad

Constitutional Questions to the Candidate

- 1) Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the church and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
- 2) Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the church universal, and God's Word to you?
- 3) Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confession of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?
- 4) Will you be a minister of the Word and Sacrament in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and continually guided by our confessions?

- 5) Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?
- 6) Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?
- 7) Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?
- 8) Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?
- 9) Will you be a faithful minister, proclaiming the good news in Word and Sacrament, teaching faith, and caring for people? Will you be active in government and discipline, serving in the governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry, will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

Prayer/Laying on of Hands	Jim Richardson
Declaration of Ordination, Vesting and Welcome	Laura Conrad
Charge to Ordinand	Pansy Duke
Charge to Congregation	Steve Price

+Hymn #343: *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* BEECHER

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

+Benediction	Bobby Williamson
+Recessional: <i>Kingsfold Trumpet</i>	Alfred Fedak
+ indicates that all who are able please stand	
*indicates that Ushers will seat late worshipers	

Today's Worship Service of Ordination

Those whom God calls to the role of leadership and service are ordained into the office of Minister of Word and Sacrament by the church of Jesus Christ. A Commission has been charged by Presbytery to come this day and do that official business. The Commission is made up of Elders and Ministers from this Presbytery.

Those serving on the Commission:

Dr. Charles Barron, Elder, Fort Hill Presbyterian Church
 Rev. Laura Smith Conrad, Pastor, Fort Hill Presbyterian Church
 Rev. Christie Sweeny Gravely, Associate Pastor, Easley Presbyterian Church
 Rev. Steve Price, honorably retired, former Campus Minister at Fort Hill Presbyterian Church and
 Clemson Presbyterian Student Association
 Mr. Eric Thomas, Elder, Fourth Presbyterian Church, Greenville

Guests of the Commission

Ms. Pansy Duke, Elder, Fort Hill Presbyterian Church
 Rev. Mary Gause, Associate Pastor, Fort Hill Presbyterian Church
 Rev. Jim Richardson, former Pastor of Fort Hill Presbyterian Church
 Rev. Lindy Smith Vogado, Interim Director of Campus Ministry, Presbyterian College

Our guest preacher this morning is the Reverend Dr. Walter Brueggemann, Emeritus Professor of Old Testament at Columbia Theological Seminary. Dr. Brueggemann is the author of numerous books, including *Awed to Heaven*, *Rooted in Earth*, a collection of prayers. This morning's call to worship is from this book.

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. After worship, please join us at the reception in Tartan Hall which is the down the stairs off the Narthex. **Laura Conrad** will be at the Edgewood Avenue Door; and **Mary Gause** will be at the Porte-cochere 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.
- We would like to welcome our guest musicians for today, Isa Herold, Flautist, and Ray Spires, Oboist.
- The Elder on duty today is **Amy Elrod**. 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.
- Flowers are given by Garland and Cynthia Gravely to the glory of God, in memory of their daughter Diane Gravely Lehman, and in honor of Robert E. Williamson Jr.
- 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: Exodus 33:12-23, Luke 11:1-4

SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

Pastor on Call (01/09 – 01/15)	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 Kitty & Jim Dunn	Nursery Workers for Today Steve, Laura, and Caroline Hunter, Samantha Young, Audrey Thompson, Janet Johnson, and Maggie and Chris Bandy.
<i>Offering Counters for Next Sunday</i> <i>Barbara Westall & Kathy Hughes</i>	<i>Nursery Workers for Next Sunday</i> <i>Tootie Poteet, Joan Dixon, Virginia Ellis, Anita, Mik, and Erik Fredman, and Shelly and Nathan Wilson.</i>

Attendance from 01/02/11:	10:30 Worship 287	Sunday School 65	8:30 Worship 45
Attendance from last year 01/03/10	10:30 Worship 234	Sunday School 112	8:30 Worship 92

Head Ushers for January: Chris Bandy, Leslie Hicklin, and Ross Davis

Head Ushers for February: Becky Dewitt, Amy Elrod, and Samantha Young

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sun. 01/09	8:30 AM	Worship – Tartan Hall
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship – Sanctuary
	11:30 AM	Reception following Ordination – Tartan Hall
	1:00 PM	CAPS – Tartan Hall
	4:00 PM	Officer Training – Club Room
	4:30 PM	JAM 3 rd – 5 th Grade – Youth Room
	5:00 PM	Jesus Jammers K- 2 nd – Youth Room
	6:30 PM	Middle School Youth Group – Youth Room
	6:30 PM	Senior High Youth Group – Youth Room
	6:30 PM	Resurrection Dance Theater
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
	Mon. 01/10	12:15 PM
1:00 PM		CU Center for Visual Arts – Club Room
6:00 PM		Boy Scouts – Club Room, Library, Tartan Hall, Dungeon Area
Tues. 01/11	6:30 PM	Youth and Young Adults – Youth Room
	5:30 PM	Music Ministry – Conference Room
Tues. 01/11	6:00 PM	Folk Dance Group – Club Room
	6:30 PM	Fellowship Ministry - Library
	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts (Bears, Webelo2) – Bethlehem Hall
	6:30 PM	Worship Committee – Conference Room
	6:30 PM	Finance Committee – Room 210
	7:30 PM	Christian Education – Room 206
	7:30 PM	Presbyterian Women Circle 2 - Library
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Wed. 01/12	6:00 PM	Chancel Bells
	6:30 PM	Youth Choir – Youth Room
	7:15 PM	Chancel Choir
Thurs. 01/13	7:00 PM	Girl Scouts – Youth Room
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Fri. 01/14	12:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous – Education Building

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Known to have been in the hospital:

Marchita Culpepper
Anne Dickey – Oconee Memorial
Bob Jones – St Francis

Resurrection Dance Theater – from Port au Prince, Haiti is coming to Fort Hill **TODAY** Sunday, January 9th at 6:30 PM. Make plans to attend this family-friendly, high energy dance/drumming performance. It is sure to be fun for the whole family. We look forward to seeing you there! The boys are a part of the St. Joseph's Home for Boys, a mission and orphanage to rescue children from the streets. An offering will be received to support the rebuilding of this home.

Joining Fort Hill as a Member - We invite you to become part of God's church with us as we seek to be disciples. In the Presbyterian Church you meet with the Session to become a member. Please speak to the Officer on duty or any of the worship leaders if you want to further pursue membership.

It's not too late to turn in your pledge. We are still short of our pledge asking amount. If you have not turned in your pledge yet, there is still time to do so! We are so excited about what God will do through our faithfulness!

Pledge Amount to Date: \$843,373

Total Pledge Asking Amount: \$880,613

Church-wide Retreat; Montreat Mountain Mosaic - Join us January 28-30 for a church-wide retreat. We'll head to Montreat, NC, where we'll retreat, relax, and renew with other Fort Hill folks. Cost is \$35 per adult; \$10 per child under 12 (if staying in room with parent). Go to www.forthillchurch.org/fellowship.php for more information and for a registration form. Please register early! Space is limited and we need to be able to plan

Disciple Bible Study - Are you ready to be challenged? Wish you knew more about the Bible? The Christian Education Ministry is offering a 12-week Bible study on the Gospel of John, offered at two separate times – Monday evenings OR Wednesday mornings. Using an Invitation to the Gospel of John by Disciple we will explore the book of John and its message for us today. The first study is offered on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm and the same study is repeated Wednesday mornings from 10:30am – 12:00pm. The course begins February 7/February 9 and requires weekly homework. The cost is \$12 for a workbook which may be paid at the INTRODUCTORY MEETING TO BE HELD Monday, February 7th at 7:00pm or Wednesday, February 9th at 10:30am (attend the one that corresponds with your time) in the library. Registration is limited to 12 per class...although a full waiting list will mean the addition of another class so please register early! Please contact Mary Gause (mary.gause@forthillchurch.org) to register.

Young Adults –The Young Adult group at Fort Hill Presbyterian Church 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 third Sunday for lunch following the 10:30 worship service. To be added to the young adult email list, please email ebritt@alumni.clemson.edu. Upcoming dates - **Jan 16** - Lunch after church at Western Sizzlin.

Middle School News – Today we will meet at a different time! We will meet at 6:30 to watch the Resurrection Dance Theater perform. We will not have dinner tonight. **Important Dates - January 9** – Attend performance by the Resurrection Dance Theater from the St. Joseph's Home for Boys, Port au Prince, Haiti. **January 23**- Prayer Partner Picnic. **February 12** – Snow Tubing watch for info to come. **Summer Dates - June 5-11** – Mission Trip to Virginia. **July 20-24** – Montreat Middle Conference at PC in Clinton, SC

Sr. High News – Today we will meet at a different time! We will meet at 6:30 to watch the Resurrection Dance Theater perform. We will not have dinner tonight. **Important Dates – January 9** – Attend performance by the Resurrection Dance Theater from the St. Joseph's Home for Boys, Port au Prince, Haiti. **January 23** – Prayer Partner Picnic. **February 4-6** – Ski trip to Winterplace WV. **March 18-20** – Foothills Presbytery Senior High Retreat at Montreat. **Summer Dates – June 17-26** Mission trip to New Orleans, LA. **July 9-16** Summer Montreat.

6th 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 January 23 at the church from 5:30-7:30. 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 March 27 we will have another picnic at the church from 5:30-7:30 so you can catch up with your prayer partner. If you are willing please sign up on the friendship pad or contact Rodney at 654-2061 or rodney.norris@forthillchurch.org.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Pray Daily; A 90 Day Prayer Initiative. Next week you will have the chance to receive your prayer booklet and hear more about our congregational commitment to prayer. You may use it for personal devotional or you may want to covenant with a prayer partner or small group/circle/class.

Flowers are still needed for the sanctuary for multiple dates. If you would like to provide the flowers, please contact Chryssa Rutland at 653-3489. The arrangements are provided by Tiger Lily at the cost of \$40.

Worship materials for children are located in the covered hallway outside of the sanctuary. These include special instructions to help children participate in worship, worship pages for children, worship bags for preschoolers and an assortment of books to be read during worship. Stop by before worship and select materials to help even our youngest learners!

If you miss holding a baby, playing trains or cars with your grandchild or reading stories to little ones, do we have an opportunity for you! The Worship ministry is searching for persons to assist in the church nurseries during our 10:30am worship service. If you are willing to give an hour of your Sunday, 4-5 times a year to love our young children, please contact Mary Gause at mary.gause@forthillchurch.org or 654.2061 and we'll give you more information and sign you up!

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord with Musical Explorers!!! Every Sunday, after the children's time in church, a pair of music volunteers will lead preschool children (ages 2&3 and 4&5) in singing various Bible songs. This is a wonderful opportunity for our youngest members to praise God through music! If you have any questions about the Musical Explorers program, or if you'd be interested in volunteering, please contact Kristy MacRae at krmacrae@hotmail.com.

JAM and Jesus Jammers!!! All elementary aged children (K-5th grade) are invited to attend JAM and Jesus Jammers on Sunday afternoons! Children in grades 3-5 will meet at 4:30 pm in the Children's Music Room to learn pieces with the chimes, with kids in grades K-2 joining the group for singing at 5:00 pm. If you have any questions, please e-mail Kristy MacRae at krmacrae@hotmail.com.

Nursery Care - We offer a full range of child care for children 0 - completed Kindergarten. Our youngest children's rooms (infant/toddler) are staffed by paid volunteers and adult volunteers while our older groups are led by established adult volunteers. For more information, please see an usher or check our website: www.forthillchurch.org. Room assignments are: **Infants**-established walkers meet in room 117; **Toddlers** meet in room 101; **2/3 year olds** meet in room 107; **4/5 year olds** stay in worship through the story for children then move to room 207 for a short lesson before finishing in room 209.

OUTREACH

THE FEED THE 5000 collection (containers for donating at doors as you enter or leave) on 01/02/11 was N/A. The money goes to Clemson Community Care, Our Daily Bread, Golden Corner Food Bank and Safe Harbor II to buy only food.