

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

1st Sunday in Lent

February 26, 2012

9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45)

Concerns of the Church

Prelude

“Prelude”

Albinoni

Ninarose Daubenhauser, flute

Call to Worship

To you, O God, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust.

Make us to know your ways, O God;

teach us your paths.

***Lead us in your truth, and teach us,
for you are the God of our salvation.***

* Hymn 139 (PH) “Come, Thou Almighty King”

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God,

whose son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way,

yet was without sin,

we confess before you our own sinfulness.

We have hungered after that which does not satisfy.

We have compromised with evil.

We have doubted your power to protect us.

Forgive our lack of faith.

Have mercy on our weakness.

Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk

in your ways and delight in doing your will.

* Silent Confession

* Kyrie

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Genesis 9:8-17 (OT, p. 7)

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 3:18-22 (NT, p. 234)

A Time with Children

11:15 - Children through grade 4 are invited to Children's Worship in Room 110.

Anthem 9:00

“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

W. Hornibrook

11:15

“Agnus Dei”

S. Howard

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:9-15 (NT, p. 34)

Sermon: “Water, Water, Everywhere!”

Dr. Myers

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 420 (PH)

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (PH, p. 14)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

“Adagio”

Albinoni

Ninarose Daubenhauser, flute

* Doxology (PH 592)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 81 (PH) "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"
* Charge and Benediction
* Postlude "Allegro" Boyce

* All who are able shall stand.
PH Presbyterian Hymnal
Sing Sing! A New Creation (green songbook)

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God in honor of our 100th year.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Guest Preacher	Charles Myers
Pastor	William Carter
Director of Educational Ministries	William Cosnett
Director of Music	Alan Baker
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgists	Judy Cutler (9:00); Andy Kepler (11:15)
Children's Worship Leader	S. Flynn, P. Williams
Ushers	Tori Yankow, Karen White (9:00); Shirley McLaughlin, Carole LaCoe (11:15)

We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

ABOUT THIS MORNING'S SPECIAL MUSIC

As we consider the beginning of our Lenten journey and this morning's sermon scripture (Jesus pushed into the wilderness), our adult choir will sing the American folk hymn, Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley. The hymn stresses that it is a journey must be undertaken, like Christ, "by yourself...nobody else can walk it for you." At the second service our Teen Choir will sing a new setting of the ancient "Agnus Dei" text. The Latin words are those of the last item in the Ordinary of the Mass, originally sung during the Communion ritual. "Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us...grant us peace." The reference to the lamb is both powerful and ancient, extending back to the animal sacrifices offered by the priests of the Old Testament Jewish Temple.



"The time has
come, ... The
kingdom of
God is near.

Repent and
believe the
good news!"

Mark 1:15

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Genesis 9:8-17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.”

God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

1 Peter 3:18-22

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.” And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”