

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

6th Sunday of Easter

May 13, 2012

9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Prelude in Classic Style"

Young

Call to Worship

from Psalm 98

Make a joyful noise before the Lord, our ruler.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

The earth and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands;

Let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord,

For God is coming to judge the earth.

* Hymn 37 (Sing) "For the Music of Creation"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been,

help us change what we are, and direct what we shall be,

so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your holy name.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Celtic Alleluia (Sing 148)

Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!

Go, with the power of Christ, proclaiming to all "He is risen!"

And he lives today at the right hand of God!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Acts 10:44-48 (NT, p. 130)

Psalter: Psalm 98 (Sing 112)

A Time with Children

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

Anthem 9:00 "The Blessings of a Mother's Love" Mayo

11:15 "Stop By, Lord" Doris Wesley Bettis

Epistle Lesson: 1 John 5:1-8 (NT, p. 241)

Sermon: "Believing and Belonging"

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 175 (Sing) "I Believe in God Almighty"

* Affirmation of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 1 (Sing 176)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

"Andante"

Handel

* Doxology (PH 592)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 555 (PH)

"Now Thank We All Our God"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Voluntary"

Stanley

* 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.

They are given

- by Linda Young in memory of her husband, Larry "Bud" Young, on his birthday, in memory of our mothers, and in honor of our daughters;
- in memory of Thomas Abraham by his family; and
- by Sandra and Steuart Bailey in loving memory of their mothers, Florence Bailey and Florence Evans.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	William Carter
Director of Educational Ministries	William Cosnett
Director of Music	Alan Baker
Organist / Chapel Choir Director	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Chapel Choir (9:00); Alice Broxton (11:15)
Children's Worship Leaders	S. Flynn, P. Williams
Ushers	Brian Schillinger & Chris Spangler (9:00) Carole LaCoe & Shirley McLaughlin (11:15)

Members of the Chapel Choir are: Ariana Billiot, Annkelly Ndangam, Clarice Ndangam, Nick Roditski, Zach Roditski, Jacob Wescott, and Riley Wescott



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

This is
the **VICTORY**
that has overcome
the world,
even our **faith.**

1 John 5:4

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Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

1 John 5:1-8

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree.