

# DIVINE WORSHIP

## 8:30 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.

*For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh...*

(Romans 8:3, ESV)

(+ Congregation, please stand if able.)

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VOLUNTARY:** *From Heaven Above to Earth I Come* Johann Pachelbel

**INTROIT:** *God Himself Is With Us* WUNDERBARER KÖNIG

God Himself is with us;  
Let us now adore him,  
And with awe appear before him.  
God is in his temple;  
All within keep silence,  
Prostrate lie with deepest rev'rence.  
Him alone God we own,  
Him, our God and Savior;  
Praise his name forever.

The Chancel Choir

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Mr. S. Henderson (8:30) Mr. Bult (11:15)

+ **HYMN 164:** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

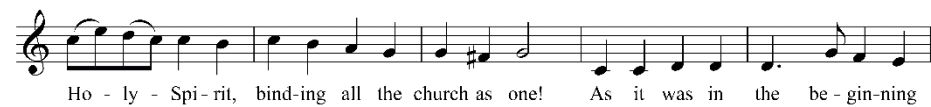
### + INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### + CONFESSION OF FAITH

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.

### + GLORIA PATRI LADY STREET



### CHILDREN'S SERMON: 8:30 A.M.

**CHILDREN'S HYMN 21:** 8:30 A.M. *Sing Praise to the Lord!* LAUDATE DOMINUM

Sing praise to the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
Rejoice in his word, you angels of light.  
You heavens, adore him by whom you were made,  
And worship before him in brightness arrayed.

Sing praise to the Lord! Praise him on the earth  
In tuneful accord, you saints of new birth.  
Praise him who has brought you his grace from above;  
Praise him who has taught you to sing of his love.

### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION Dr. Stewart

Lord Jesus, our hearts are humbled as we reflect on Your meekness, drawing a veil across Your glory and appearing in the likeness of sinful flesh on our behalf. You, the form of God, took the form of a bondservant. You, the Judge of all, were condemned in our place. You, the Lord of Life, died that we might live. Lord, what can we say of ourselves? We are vain and conceited, full of envy and malice, quicker to speak than we are to listen, and better at hurting others with our words than we are at healing them. Have mercy, our Father, send a seraph with a live coal from Your altar to touch our lips, our minds, our hearts, everywhere sin has stained, and for Your Name's sake, O LORD, pardon our iniquity, for it is great. We offer this prayer in Jesus' Name, Amen.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### MORNING PRAYER

+ **HYMN 468:** *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* LANDAS

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY:** *I Will Give Thanks* Craig Courtney

I will give thanks to you with all my heart;  
And I will tell of all your wondrous deeds.  
I will rejoice in you and be glad;  
I will sing the praises of your name,  
O most High!

I proclaim your love in the morning  
And your faithfulness into the night.  
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;  
Let your glory be over all the earth.

My heart is steadfast, Lord, my heart is sure.  
I will sing praise to you, make melody.  
Among the nations, I give you thanks,  
I will sing of you among the peoples, O God.

For great is your love above the heavens,  
Your faithfulness reaches to the skies.  
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;  
Let your glory be over all the earth.

O be exalted, Lord, above the heav'ns,  
And let your glory be o'er all the earth.  
Awake, my soul, awake, O harp and lyre,  
For the joy at what your hands have done,  
Lord most High.

Based on Psalms 9, 30, and 57

### + DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(During the 11:15 a.m. service, K4 and K5 children may leave for Children's Church. Parents should come for them in the Education Building, Room 103.)

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** John 1:14-18  
(Pew Bible page 886, Children's Bible page 1142)

**SERMON:** *Of the Father's Love Begotten* Dr. Neil C. Stewart

**“Mild, He Lays His Glory By”**

### PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 465:** *Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord* MOODY

### + BENEDICTION

+ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** HIGHLAND CATHEDRAL

Search me, O God, search me and know my heart,  
Try me, O God, my mind and spirit try,  
Keep me from any path that gives thee pain,  
And lead me in the everlasting way.

**POSTLUDE:** *Fugue in C Major, BWV 531* J. S. Bach

## SERMON NOTES

“Mild, He Lays His Glory By”

John 1:14-18 | Dr. Neil C. Stewart

## WELCOME

We extend our cordial greetings to all who are visiting us today and hope that you will join us again for worship. We ask our guests to sign the Friendship Register along with members of the congregation and to give us an address so that we may send you information about First Presbyterian Church.

## EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

“Above All Earthly Powers”

Psalm 2 | Dr. Neil C. Stewart

## WORSHIP AT FIRST

- ☞ **Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service.**
- ☞ The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask deacons for a receiver.
- ☞ Nurseries for children to the age of four are provided in the Education Building.
- ☞ A quiet room with a live video feed of the service is available in the Education Building, Room 113. There, mothers may attend to the needs of their children.

## PASTORAL STAFF

DR. NEIL C. STEWART, SENIOR MINISTER ELECT

Rev. Bryan Bult, Associate Minister to Seniors  
Rev. David Henderson, Associate Minister of Discipleship  
Rev. Sean Henderson, Associate Minister of Missions  
Rev. David Lauten, Senior Associate Minister of Congregational Care  
Rev. Josh Squires, Associate Minister of Counseling

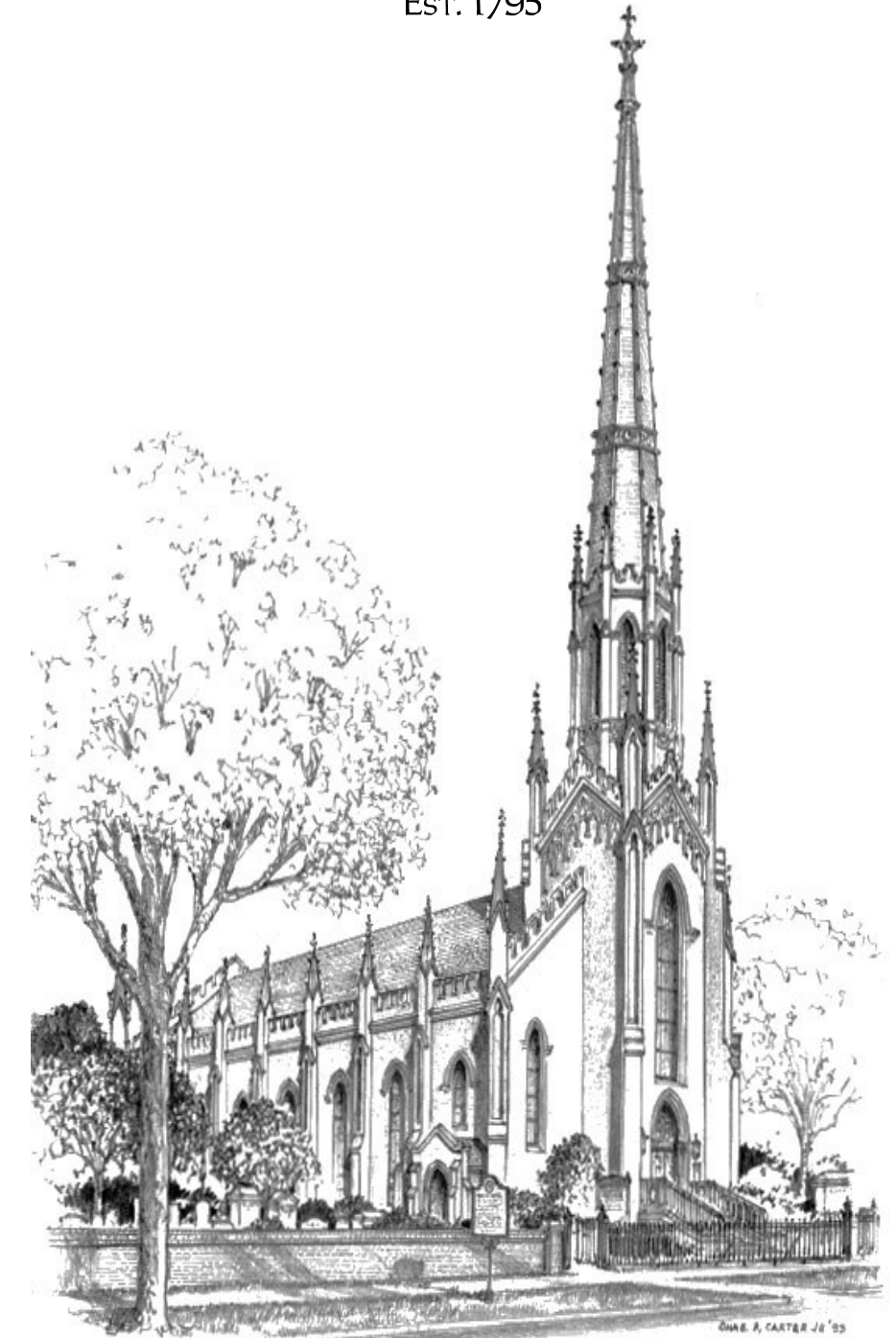
## MINISTRY STAFF

Janet Altman, Seniors Ministry Coordinator  
Marie Louise Bowers, Director of Women's Ministry  
Sarah Bryan, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry  
Nate Cesky, Director of College Ministry  
Daniel Cole, Director of Music Ministry  
Barbara Diller, Congregational Nurse  
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Thomas Russell, Organist and Assistant Director of Music Ministry  
Richard Wolford, Executive Chef  
Joseph Yi, Director of Sports Ministry

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LORD'S DAY, JANUARY 14, 2024

8:30 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.

“IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, TO SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME,  
O MOST HIGH; TO DECLARE YOUR STEADFAST LOVE IN THE  
MORNING, AND YOUR FAITHFULNESS BY NIGHT.”

(PSALM 92:1,2)

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## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The annual dinner and congregational meeting for the adoption of the 2024 budget, election of the 2024 Church Officers Nominating Committee, election of the church treasurer, and any other matters will be held on Wednesday, January 24, in the Family Life Center. There is no charge for the dinner which starts at 5:15 p.m. The congregational meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m.

The Corporation of The First Presbyterian Church will meet immediately following the congregational meeting to elect officers and act on any other business that may come before The Corporation.

Nurseries for infants through three years old will be available beginning at 5:45 p.m. Children's activities for K4 – 5th grade will be offered beginning at 6:00 p.m. Parents, please feed your children prior to the nursery and/or children's program.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mayme Ellis Tyler by her family.

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