

# DIVINE WORSHIP

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

*Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

(Matthew 11:28–30, ESV)

(+ Congregation, please stand if able.)

**VOLUNTARY:** *Prelude in C Major, BWV 531*

J. S. Bach

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT:** *O Bless the Lord, My Soul (Psalm 103)*

ST. MICHAEL

O bless the Lord, my soul;  
Let all within me join,  
And aid my tongue to bless his name,  
Whose favors are divine.

'Tis he forgives your sins,  
'Tis he relieves your pain,  
'Tis he that heals your sicknesses  
And makes you young again.

He crowns your life with love  
When ransomed from the grave;  
He that redeemed my soul from hell  
Has sovereign pow'r to save.

The Chancel Choir

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

+ **HYMN 76:** *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

LAUDA ANIMA

+ **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**

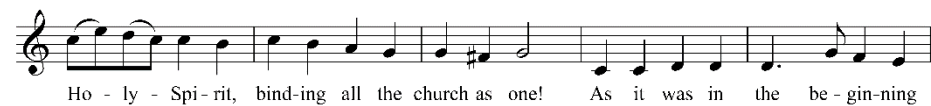
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary;  
suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried;  
He descended into hell.

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



**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY:** *The Supper of Thanksgiving*

Josh Bauder

For the bread and for the wine, for the pledge that seals Him mine,  
For the words of love Divine, *we give Thee thanks, O Lord.*

For the body and the blood, for the more than angel's food,  
For the boundless grace of God, *we give Thee thanks, O Lord.*

For the feast of love and peace, bidding all our sorrows cease,  
Earnest of the kingdom's bliss, *we give Thee thanks, O Lord.*

For the paschal lamb here giv'n, for the loaf without the leav'n,  
For the manna dropt from heav'n, *we give Thee thanks, O Lord.*

Only bread and only wine, yet to faith the solemn sign  
Of heav'nly and Divine! *We give Thee thanks, O Lord.*

For the words that turn our eye to cross of Calvary,  
Bidding us in faith draw nigh, *we give Thee thanks, O Lord.*

For the words that tell of home, pointing us beyond the tomb,  
“Do ye this until I come,” *we give Thee thanks, O Lord.*

For the coming, here foreshow, for that day to man unknown,  
For the glory and the throne, *we give Thee thanks, O Lord.*

+ **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

**“Cur Deus Homo?”**

**PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD**

+ **HYMN:** *Come to the Waters*

WATER OF LIFE

*Please find a copy of the hymn on the back of your bulletin.*

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE INVITATION**

**READING OF THE LAW:**

Mr. Squires (8:30) Mr. Lauten (11:15)

Minister: God spoke all these words saying, I am the Lord thy God,  
which has brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of  
bondage.

- All: I. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.
- III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.
- IV. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- V. Honour thy father and thy mother.
- VI. Thou shalt not kill.
- VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
- VIII. Thou shalt not steal.
- IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness.
- X. Thou shalt not covet. (Exodus 20:1-17, KJV)

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy  
heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and  
great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love  
thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the  
law and the prophets.

(Matthew 22:37-40, KJV)

**THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

**THE COMMUNION WITH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST AND HIS PEOPLE**

**THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

+ **HYMN 261:** *What Wondrous Love Is This*  
*Stanzas 1 and 2*

WONDROUS LOVE

+ **BENEDICTION**

+ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** *What Wondrous Love Is This* (Stanza 3)

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And through eternity, I'll sing on.

**POSTLUDE:** *Fugue in C Major, BWV 531*

J. S. Bach

1. Come to the wa - ters, who - ev - er is thirst - y;  
 2. Come to the Riv - er that flows through the ci - ty,  
 3. Come to the Foun - tain with - out an - y mon - ey;  
 4. Come to the Well of un - mer - it - ed fa - vor;  
 5. Come to the Sav - ior, the God of sal - va - tion.

drink from the Foun - tain that nev - er runs dry.  
 forth from the throne of the Fa - ther and Son.  
 buy what is giv - en with - out an - y cost.  
 stretch out your hand; fill your cup to the brim.  
 God has pro - vid - ed an end to sin's strife.

Je - sus, the Liv - ing One, of - fers you mer - cy,  
 Je - sus the Sav - ior says, "Come and drink deep - ly."  
 Je - sus, the gra - cious One, wel - comes the wea - ry;  
 Je - sus is such a com - pas - sion - ate Sav - ior.  
 Why will you suf - fer the Law's con - dem - na - tion?

life more a - bun - dant in bound - less sup - ply.  
 Drink from the pure, in - ex - haust - i - ble One.  
 Je - sus, the self - less One, died for the lost.  
 Draw from the grace that flows free - ly from him.  
 Take the free gift of the wa - ter of life.

**AN INVITATION:** We observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper during the worship services this morning. The table is the Lord's. All those worshipping with us who have made a public profession of faith, are communicant members of other Christian churches, and affirm the doctrines of the Apostles' Creed are cordially invited to join us at the Lord's table.

**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 K4-5<sup>th</sup> 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 celebration of the installation of the Rev Dr. Neil C. Stewart.

**PASTORAL STAFF**  
 DR. NEIL C. STEWART, SENIOR MINISTER ELECT

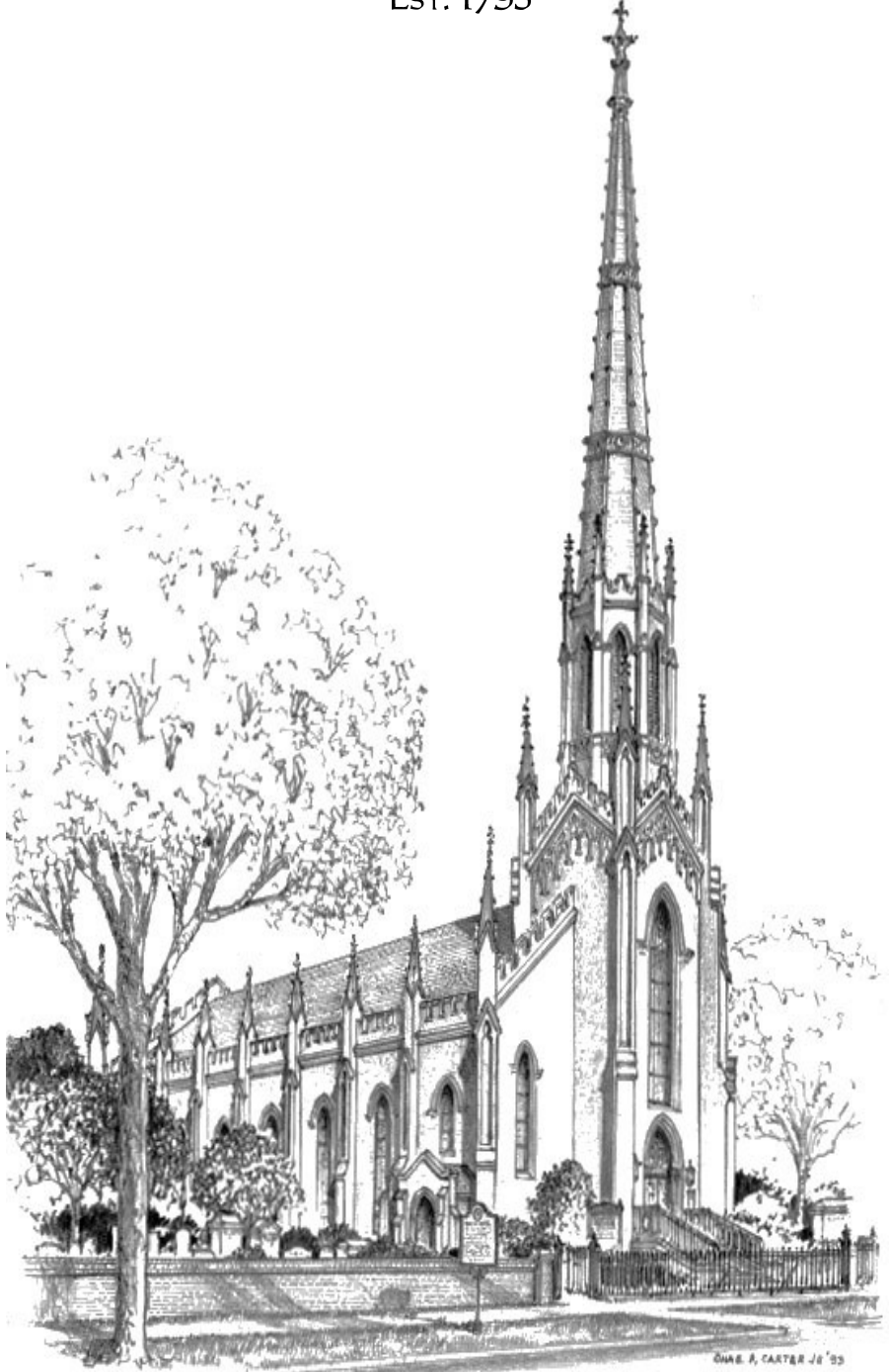
- Rev. Bryan Bult, Associate Minister to Seniors
- Rev. David Henderson, Associate Minister of Discipleship
- Rev. Sean Henderson, Associate Minister of Missions
- Rev. David Lauten, Senior Associate Minister of Congregational Care
- Rev. Josh Squires, Associate Minister of Counseling

**MINISTRY STAFF**

- Janet Altman, Seniors Ministry Coordinator
- Marie Louise Bowers, Director of Women's Ministry
- Sarah Bryan, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry
- Lelia Byars, Assistant Director of Women's Ministry
- Nate Cesky, Director of College Ministry
- Daniel Cole, Director of Music Ministry
- Barbara Diller, Congregational Nurse
- Holly Edwards, Missions Ministry Coordinator
- Josh Fleming, Director of Young Professionals Ministry
- Liz Grooms, Assistant Director of College Ministry
- Beth Ann Hurst, Special Needs Ministry Coordinator
- Hannah Lampman, Director of Children's Ministry
- Brad Martin, Director of Finance and Operations
- Maggie Pelton, Assistant Director of College Ministry
- Billy Pierce, Director of Youth Ministry
- Roxanna Rojas, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry
- 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 21, 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)

*The Women of The First Presbyterian Church invite the congregation to a reception honoring The Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Neil C. Stewart on the occasion of his installation on Sunday, January 21, 2024 in the Family Life Center immediately following the evening worship service.*