

THE MORNING WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

“Yahweh’s promises are not intended as sedatives but stimulants. God does not want us to swallow his promises but to seize them.” -Dale Ralph Davis

THE GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

Prelude *Symphony I* William Boyce
Allegro; Andante dolce; Vivace
Marie Hasse, organ

***Call to Worship** Revelations 4:8, 11 (ESV) Rev. Chad Reynolds

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come!

**Worthy are you, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,**

For you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.

***Hymn No. 2** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty* NICAEA

***Invocation**

***The Lord’s Prayer** (using “debts” – text from Hymnal No. 632)

Our Father, who 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.

Welcome and Announcements

***Serving in Faith* Report** Frank M. Hunt III
David Nelson

THE WORD OF GOD REVEALED

First Scripture Reading Joshua 18:1-10 (ESV)

¹Then the whole congregation of the people of Israel assembled at Shiloh and set up the tent of meeting there. The land lay subdued before them.

²There remained among the people of Israel seven tribes whose inheritance had not yet been apportioned. ³So Joshua said to the people of Israel, "How long will you put off going in to take possession of the land, which the LORD, the God of your fathers, has given you? ⁴Provide three men from each tribe, and I will send them out that they may set out and go up and down the land. They shall write a description of it with a view to their inheritances, and then come to me. ⁵They shall divide it into seven portions. Judah shall continue in his territory on the south, and the house of Joseph shall continue in their territory on the north. ⁶And you shall describe the land in seven divisions and bring the description here to me. And I will cast lots for you here before the LORD our God. ⁷The Levites have no portion among you, for the priesthood of the LORD is their heritage. And Gad and Reuben and half the tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance beyond the Jordan eastward, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave them."

⁸So the men arose and went, and Joshua charged those who went to write the description of the land, saying, "Go up and down in the land and write a description and return to me. And I will cast lots for you here before the LORD in Shiloh." ⁹So the men went and passed up and down in the land and wrote in a book a description of it by towns in seven divisions. Then they came to Joshua to the camp at Shiloh, ¹⁰and Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before the LORD. And there Joshua apportioned the land to the people of Israel, to each his portion.

Anthem (11:00) *Those Who Wait On the Lord* CRAIG COURTNEY

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord, the everlasting God, Creator of the ends of the earth tires not, tires not nor grows faint. He gives pow’r and strength to the weak. His understanding is unsearchable.

Those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength. Those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength. They will mount up with wings as eagles; They will run and not grow weary; They will walk and not faint, Those who wait on the Lord. Though the young shall grow weary and tired, Though the youth may stumble and fall, You will mount up with winds as eagles; You will run and not grow weary; You will walk and not faint when you wait on the Lord.

They will mount up with wings as eagles; They will run and not grow weary; They will walk and not faint: Those who wait on the Lord, those who wait on the Lord, those who wait on the Lord. Those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength.

THE PEOPLE’S RESPONSE

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn No. 674** *On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand* PROMISE LAND

(11:00) Children through 2nd grade are now dismissed to attend Children’s Church

Offertory Prayer

Musical Offering *Holy Spirit, Breath of God* Linda Lamb
Chancel Handbells Pat Nepute, Director

(Please sign and date the Friendship Pad and pass back to the center aisle.)

***Doxology** (No. 808) OLD HUNDRETH

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.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Sermon The Conquest Paradox: Finish Strong
Rev. Chad Reynolds

THE SENDING FORTH

***Hymn No. 649** *We Give Thee but Thine Own* SCHUMANN

***Benediction**

Postlude (8:30) *Improvisation* Charles Callahan
Marie Hasse, organ

(11:00) *Litanies, JA 119* Jehan Alain
Stephen Hamilton, organ

**Congregation please stand*

SPECIAL INVITATION: Anyone who has come this morning in need of special prayer or spiritual counsel, we invite you to meet with prayer partners immediately after the worship services. Prayer partners will be waiting in the front of the Sanctuary beneath the high pulpit.

WELCOME VISITORS: We trust you will find your time with us enriching. If you would like to know more about our church or talk with one of the pastors, please fill out a visitor’s card and give it to one of the pastors at the door following this morning’s service. Please visit our Information Desk in the Church Parlor for information on our Church’s activities, Sunday School classes, etc.

Announcements

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by Walter and Ann Swasey.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER FOCUS: Pray for our Nation's Leaders.

THIS WEDNESDAY'S WHO-U PICKUP: 8th grade

Next week's sermon: Congregational singing led by Alice Parker.

EKKLESIA dinner for Wednesday, February 3rd, is Roast pork, fried okra, mashed potatoes, rolls, and salad bar. The Ekklesia meals and the salad bar will each cost \$3 per person if you sign up before 10:00 am on Wednesday by either calling the church office or signing up on the Friendship Pad during Sunday services. (Example: HM2 = Hot Meal 2 people, SB1 = Salad Bar 1 person). Families are \$12 maximum (\$14 if you sign up after 10:00 on Wednesday). Pizza is \$1 per slice while supplies last.

COLLEGE STUDENTS Applications for the church scholarship must be in by February 26, 2010. Please include a copy of your grades for the Fall semester and a copy of your Spring class schedule.

CIRCLE & K-GROUP MEETINGS THIS WEEK: Ruth Circle (home of Laney Reynolds) Thursday at 6:30 pm; **K-1** Adult Study group will meet February 28th at 7:00 pm at the home of Bob and Ellen Harmeling (676-7571). The group will discuss Chapter One, a and b (Alexander the Great and George Washington) of Os Guinness's When No One Sees. All are welcome to attend.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS THIS WEEK: Youth Council Mtg. (FLC Game Room) Tuesday at 7:00 pm; **WOC Exec. Board Mtg.** (Seekers Sunday School Room) Wednesday at 5:00 pm; **Steering Comm. Mtg. & Calling Training for "HIS" Mtg. & Media Info** (Thursday) at 7:00 pm.

CONCERT SERIES This afternoon at 4:00 pm, in the Sanctuary will be the fourth in a series of concerts. Our guest for this concert is Stephen Hamilton. Mr. Hamilton is the current Minister of Music at the historic Church of the Holy Trinity in New York City.

ALICE PARKER will be here February 6, 2010 from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm for choral workshops and February 7, 2010 for a Hymn Festival. She will also be participating in the Sunday worship service. Mrs. Parker is a composer, conductor and teacher. She began composing very early in life finishing her first orchestral score while still in high school. She received a Masters Degree from Juilliard School where she studied choral conducting with Robert Shaw. In 1985, Mrs. Parker founded Melodious Accord Inc., a non-profit group that presents choral concerts, sponsors workshops symposia, and her many professional performances. She has been recognized by Chorus America, the American Guild of Organists, and more for her lifetime contributions to choral music.

Missionary guests Sebastien and Patti Benicourt, and their four children Joel, Elise, Simeon and Silas will be staying in our mission house (The Dandelion Cottage) from February 4th through March. Sebastien and Patti were commissioned as World Witness missionaries on April 27, 2008 at Edwards Memorial ARP Church in Cayce, SC. In July, they moved to Turkey to begin their ministry. They have a genuine heart for friendship evangelism and overall service to the Kingdom of God.

The **42 day devotions** for the Stewardship Enrichment III, Serving in Faith are now available. Copies of January 31st until February 15 are available in the Narthex or on the church website under the devotionals tab. The direct link to the devotionals is <http://www.lakewalesfpc.org/devotionals.html>

First Sunday Communion and Prayer service is Sunday, February 7, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the Chapel.

WOC Winter Coffee Saturday February 6, 2010 at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall Parlor. Our guest speaker is Glenda Morgan. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased from you WOC chair, the church office, Ekklesia dinner, or at the door. Free nursery care is provided. Please call the church office at 676-0711 to make a reservation for your child(ren). Glenda Morgan is a National Certified Counselor and a Licensed Mental Health Counselor. She is a member of the Florida and the American Associations of Mental Health Counselors and the North American Association of Masters in Psychology. She has been recognized by the Florida Council for Community Mental Health for her outstanding clinical contributions. Her professional training includes Registered Nurse Certification from the Univ. of Oklahoma, a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology from Old Dominion University and a Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology from the University of West Florida. She has been a professional counselor for 30 years.

NIGHT AT THE ROCK Wednesday night Grilling for high school students, February 3rd from 6:15-7:30 pm. If you are able and willing to make a dish, a plate of cookies, or a gallon of tea one Wednesday evening to help with this ministry please call Alison Freeland at 324-3993.

THIS MORNING'S GREETERS & USHERS:

Greeters: 8:30 Frank & Laura Hunt, George & Evelyn White
11:00 Bob & Diane Armington, Dale & Lea Simmons
Ushers: 8:30 David and Carter Ullman
11:00 Emil Jahna, Jimmy Kahler, Ron Odoski, Victor Story

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THE LORD'S DAY

The Thirty-first Day of January
Two Thousand Ten

*To all who are weary and need rest;
to all who are lonely and want fellowship;
to all who mourn and need comfort;
to all who pray and to all who do not, but ought;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
and to whosoever will come –
this church opens wide the door and says in the
name of the Lord Jesus, "Welcome."*



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