

(As you prepare for worship, please turn off all cell phones and beepers.)

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude "We're Marching To Zion" Young

Presenting the Word Anne Matlack

†Call to Worship

"Lift High The Cross"
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.
Come Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
The Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.

†Prayer of Invocation & Lord's Prayer (Page 16 in the hymnal)

†Hymn #420 "God Of Grace And God Of Glory" CWMRHONDDA

Words of Welcome

Call to Confession

When we come into the holy presence of God, our own humanity is laid bare. When we stand in the living presence of truth, our own falsehood is revealed. People of God, let us acknowledge who we are and ask our ever-present God to forgive us.

Prayer of Confession - UNISON

God of sure and steadfast covenant: we gratefully acknowledge that You have called us to be Your people; You sustained us during our journey, and You have been true to Your promise never to leave us. Yet we have not remained faithful to You, but we have turned to our own way. We have been forgiven, but we have not forgiven one another; we have been unconditionally loved, but have placed conditions on our own love. Forgive our failures, and empower us by Your Holy Spirit to forgive and love even as You have forgiven and loved us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison **Lord, have mercy upon us.**
Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand;

People: and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

†Gloria Patri Hymn #579

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,
World without end, Amen, Amen.

Affirmation of Faith (Page 14 in the hymnal)

Offertory Grazioso and Trumpet Tune #3 Teleman
(from Suite for Organ)

†Doxology "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."

†Prayer of Dedication

Words With Our Young Church Avery Cameron

Response O Master, let me walk with Thee.
In lowly paths of service free;
tell me Thy secret; help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Anthem "Once To Every Man And Nation" arr. Stevens
Chancel Choir

"Once to every man and nation, comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood, for the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight,
and the choice goes by forever 'twixt that darkness and that light.
Then to side with truth is noble, when we share her wretched crust
Ere her cause bring fame and profit and 'tis prosperous to be just;
Then it is the brave man chooses, while the coward stands aside
Till the multitude make virtue of the faith they had denied.
Though the cause of evil prosper, Yet 'tis truth alone is strong,
Though her portion be the scaffold, and upon the throne be wrong.
Yet that scaffold sways the future, and, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow keeping watch above His own."

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Matthew 22:34-36
Sermon "The Simplicity of Following Jesus"
Dr. Ernie Johnson

Sacrament of Holy Communion (8:45)

†Hymn #276 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS

†Benediction

†Congregational Response

Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

†Postlude "Adagio and Allegro" D. Buxtehude
(from Praeludium und Fuge in D Major)

†All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders
Dr. Ernie Johnson
The Rev. Chip Stapleton
Dr. Ewart "Doc" Wyle
Cathy Wilson, Director of Music Ministries
Earlene McLamb, Organist

Worship November 1
Greeters Linda Clark
& Scott Shackelford
Acolyte Joe Quigg
Sound Clay Johnson

Worship November 8
Greeters George Matthews
& Marcia Plyler
Acolyte
Sound Robb Twaddell

Sunday Nursery

Our nursery is available every Sunday to care for children while their parents attend the 8:45 Worship Service, Second Mile, Sunday School and/or the 11:00 Worship Service.

DEVOTION ~ DR. JOHNSON ~

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

This passage is often referred to as "the great commission." It is what Jesus would have us do with His message of saving grace. The one thing all of us can do is go tell others the message of God's love as revealed in Jesus Christ. We are chosen by God, blessed by God, broken in our sin and redeemed by grace, and then we are given. In being given we are called disciples and discipleship is the culmination of our spiritual renewal in Christ. We are to live our lives in full recognition and gratitude for what God in Christ has done for us. In Him we become a NEW creation. The old passes and the new comes and it becomes our desire to share that good news with others.

Prayer: Oh God, thank You for the great gift of Your grace. Renew me by Your spirit and help me to live in such a way that my life reflects Your glory. In Christ's name I pray. Amen.



James Chavis
Eddie Day
(Darlene Day's Brother)
Carole Goforth
Harriet Hopkins
Jason McClelland
Della Mol
Mazy Wampler
(Wayne Wampler's Mother)
Nancy Sappenfield
Deanna Guy
Jean Hall
Rev. Bob Snyder
Bobby Dunsford
(Libby Roger's brother)
Otis Lambert
Jenny Cote
Kay Case



Michael Johnson - Afghanistan
(and wife Amanda)
CW4 John M. Tew - Afghanistan
(son of Joan & Jeff Miller)
Riley Secrest - Afghanistan
(Grandson of Bryan & Betty Sue Carr)
James W. Smith - Afghanistan
(Son of Jane & Iverson Smith
Grandson of Mary McMillan)

Hospital

Linda Lee Allan - NC Memorial,
Chapel Hill; Dee Ammons - Cape Fear
Rehab; Allan Staten - Pitt Memorial;
Jason McLelland - Walter Reed

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A few lines my friends...

to say that Officer's Training begins this Sunday with the new class of officers elected by you the congregation to the class of 2012. The newly elected Elders are: Lauren Blashford, Elaine Bryant, Linda Clark, Steve Hill, Jim Jones, Don Latella, Anne Matlack, and Katherine Parnell. Please pray for this new class of officers and for the Session as we work together to strengthen the body of Christ.

to say that Stewardship letters went out to the entire congregation this past week which included the budget for 2010, including an amount of \$200,000 to work toward retiring the final debt on construction and improvements in our facility. The finance committee recommended to the Session, which they approved, that we lock in at a low interest rate and include this payment in our 2010 operating budget. Also included in the budget are funds to once again send the weekly bulletin/newsletter to each home. TV ministry is also included and a 3% increase proposed for staff. No increase was given in 2009. With the number of pledging units in our church if we all respond in faith we can reach our budget goal. As you may have noted in the stewardship letter if each pledging unit or family were to increase their pledge by \$90.00 a month or \$23.00 per week we would reach our goal. Prayerfully consider your pledge to Christ and His church for the coming year. I am grateful for your faithfulness as we seek to reach this goal for Christ.

to say that the annual Thanksgiving Day meal is just around the corner. Preparations are being made for a great day when we prepare over 2000 meals for those who would have no meal on Thanksgiving. Adopt a turkey, bake a sweet potato casserole, or a pie for the occasion. On Thanksgiving morning the meals will be assembled and delivered. Plan to be a part of the assembly or delivery team. Darren Tinney is your point of contact.

to say how grateful I am to each of you for your commitment to this family of faith. We have all indeed been blessed by Jesus Christ who has given His all for us. Our response is one of gratitude.

Your pastor and friend,



The flowers are placed in the Chapel today to the Glory of God and in loving memory of **Carolyn Amspoker**

Given by: *Jim & Shirley Konneker; Robert & Doris Amspoker; their children and grandchildren*

Stewardship Report

as of 10-25-09

Analysis of Pledges Due

Total Pledges Due	792,713
Total Pledges Recvd	729,804
Shortage	62,909
% of Pledges Due That Have Been Recvd	92%

Give generously!

Youth Information

Tonight's Youth Group meeting will be at the regular times; 5:30 for Middle School and 6:30 for Senior High members.

We will also be having regular Youth Group meetings (and times) for next Sunday, November 8th.

Our Christian love is expressed to:



Glenn Capps
on the death of his mother
Ruth Sipher Capps
October 26, 2009

Shirley Konneker
on the death of her mother
Carolyn Amspoker
October 29, 2009

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."
Psalm 116:15

The Fayetteville Family Life Center presents

Marsha King

Featuring songs and stories from her book and CD;

Peace In The Midst Of The Storm

Camp Ground United Methodist Church

(Camp Ground Rd, behind Books-A-Million)

Sunday, November 8th, 2009 - 4:00pm

Marsha King brings genuine faith, hope, and healing to hurting people through music, storytelling, and scripture.

Free admission

An offering will be received to benefit the

Fayetteville Family Life Center

(A faith-based counseling center providing professional mental health services to clients regardless of their financial resources.)

Talkin' Turkey Time

As we're sure you are aware, the time to talk turkey is now. Highland's Annual Thanksgiving Day Meal is fast approaching. Please take a few minutes to fill out one of the sign-up forms as to whether you will be donating a turkey, pie or casserole or helping to serve, clean up, deliver or if you would like to contribute monetarily. Drop your form by the front desk or send it back to us.



Thank you!

Mon., Nov. 2

9:30am Presbyterian Women Council Mtg - Leighton McKeithen

6:00pm Highland Men's Exec Mtg - Conference Rm

7:00pm Highland Men's Choir

Tues., Nov. 3

9:30am Love & Logic - John M. Wilson

1:00pm Bridge - Parlor

4:00pm Tutoring - Son Valley

Weds., Nov. 4

3:45pm Catechism

4:30pm Children's Chimes

5:00pm Junior Bells

5:00pm Wednesday Night Dinner

6:00pm Faith Weavers

6:30pm Chancel Choir

Thurs., Nov. 5

12:00pm Food Pantry

5:30pm 2nd Mile Leadership Team

6:30pm 2nd Mile Rehearsal

Fri., Nov. 6

2:30pm New Bridge Class - Parlor

Sat., Nov. 7

8:45am Worship Service-Chapel

8:45am 2nd Mile Service - Fellowship Hall

9:30am Chapel Choir - Chapel

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship Service - Sanctuary

12:00pm First Sunday Lunch

4:30pm Youth Bells

5:00pm Youth Chorale

5:30pm Youth - Regular Meeting

6:00pm Highland Ringers

Liturgy Team

Highland is forming a new Liturgy Team to become familiar with different genres of liturgy and how liturgy fits in the Order of Worship. We will learn to write and read liturgy, including call to confession, prayers of confession, assurance of pardon and responsive readings from scripture.

Call Cathy Wilson at 485-2147 or email her at cathy@hpcchurch.org to join this new adventure in the Word.

Wednesday Night Dinner

November 4, 2009

Menu

- Chicken & Pastry, Turnips,
- Yams, Cornbread, Salad Bar,
- Beverage, Dessert

Kids' Menu

Pizza

- Please make your reservations by noon
- on Tuesday, November 3rd by calling
- the church at 485-2147 or on-line at
- www.hpchurch.org

Making Disciples for Jesus Christ

Worship and news of our church family
Highland Presbyterian Church
November 1, 2009



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - 2009

Operation Christmas Child is in the midst of another season of proclaiming a life-changing message through shoe-boxes. A highly successful project of Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child has helped literally millions of children, parents, and young adults around the world experience the true meaning of Christmas. And this year promises to be no exception.

How are your boxes coming along? Why don't you get the whole family involved? Go shopping at the dollar stores or craft stores for inexpensive t-shirts and puzzles, necklaces and stuffed animals, small books or playing cards. Write a short note to put in your boxes or maybe include a photo of your family.

Operation Christmas Child, a project of international relief and evangelism organization Samaritan's Purse, headed by Franklin Graham, uses whatever means necessary - ships, trucks, buses, trains, airplanes, helicopters, boats, camels, even dog sleds - to reach suffering children.

For many of these children, the shoe box gift will be the first gift they have ever received, letting them know they are loved and not forgotten.

Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has hand-delivered shoe box gifts to more than 69 million children in more than 130 countries.

Let us all be wonderful witnesses to the graciousness of Jesus by sending our shoeboxes out with prayer and love.

Box dedication Sunday is November 15th.



Highland & Friends Sunday, November 15th



Please join us Sunday, November 15th at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary for a wonderful concert. Special guests include: *Barbara Lawson, Ann Rogers, Robert Williams, Paul Kirkpatrick, Carol Hardy,*

Miriam McNeil and more!

We are sure this is going to be a delightful evening of music that everyone will enjoy!