



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

JANUARY 17, 2010



PSALM 36

(Hymn 263; cantor - v.1; all - 2-4)

cantor      *Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.*

all            Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

all            To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
Then wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.

all            Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN-II

ANTHEM-II                      Keep Your Lamps!                      arr. Thomas

LESSON                              Revelation 21:1-7  
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON                              When the Ground Shakes              John W. Wurster  
*Silence and Stillness*

†HYMN 260                      A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH    *Apostles' Creed*

**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY    Just a Closer Walk with Thee                      Gospel Song

†RESPONSE

*Hymn 592*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures, here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Eternal God, we thank you for the gifts  
You have given us in Jesus Christ.

**Strengthen us by your Spirit  
so that we may use what we have received  
to the glory of your name  
and for the work of your kingdom. Amen.**

†HYMN 361                      How Firm a Foundation

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†POSTLUDE    Variations on 'My Lord, What A Morning'                      Spiritual

## Worship Notes

The bulletin cover is taken from our stained glass window in Schreiner Chapel "Angel." Thanks to Ed Wilbourn photography.

Large print bulletins are available from an usher. †Please stand if able. **Bold** type indicates unison response.

## Acknowledgements

Chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in appreciation for the use of FPC by Hill Country Choral.

## Let Us Pray.

...for Marilyn Vordenbaum

...For Clarice Amann, Jayne Amann and family upon the death of Willard on January 10, in Kerrville.

...For Bob Yerger and family upon the death of Alta Mae on Friday, January 8 in New Braunfels. A memorial service will be held on Monday, February 1, at 10:00 in the sanctuary at FPC.

## Staff

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## Serving Today

### MUSICIANS

I/II—Richard Johnson, cantor  
II—Chancel Choir

### SCHEDULED GREETERS

I—Bob Harris, Dell Davis,  
Chris Davis, Lois Millard, Bob  
Millard

II—Mike Brunsvold, Don  
Turner, Tim Cowden, Jeanette  
Cowden, Alice Ann Bacon,  
Arthur Bell, Gaye Avery,  
Lindsey Avery

### SCHEDULED USHERS

I—Archie Campbell, Dean  
Porter, Jane Porter, Walter  
Roemer

II—Christopher Jones, Amy  
Jones, Zachary Jones, Jon  
Appling, Mark Cowden, Ed  
Cook, Will Cowden, Clyde  
Day, Jean Oeland, Bill Suehs

### ACOLYTES

Brock Billeiter  
Parker Cowden

### READERS

I/II—Richard Johnson

### NURSERY AND EXTENDED CARE VOLUNTEERS

Julie Dunlap, Carolyn  
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### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Cathy Long, Janet Packard,  
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Stuart Lohmeyer, Julie Land,  
Rita Odom, Amy Billeiter,  
Meg Scott-Johnson, Sam  
Junkin, Ben Doerries, Eric  
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### VIDEO TAPING

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### SOUND RECORDER

Bill Scott

## Adult Sunday School Classes

**SPIRITUAL PRACTICES IN EVERYDAY LIVING** focuses on how we practice reverence in our daily lives. That is what we *do*, not just *think* about in our longing for God in our everyday living. Our discussion will be facilitated by Meg Scott-Johnson, DASD. Come join the journey! Room 204.

**TALKING THEOLOGY**, led by Eric Rhoda. This discussion class will tackle multiple theological and scriptural topics using selections from the NOOMA video series which are short films that seek to give a fresh look to the teachings of Jesus by presenting them in a way that is relevant today. Schreiner Chapel.

**HERE'S THE CHURCH**, led by Sam Junkin. What does the New Testament say about "church"? Each week we will listen to a different passage from the New Testament speaking to us about "church"—and watch in some awe as Scripture paints for us a picture, or sculpts for us a discernable form—of the church/life that claims us. Led by Sam Junkin. Ryan Hall.

**ISAIAH CONTINUED!** led by Ben Doerries. We will pick up where we left off last year and begin with what some scholars call "Second Isaiah. Emphasis will be placed on what Isaiah said then and how it applies to us now. Note: You DO NOT have to have taken First Isaiah to attend this class. Room 208.



# Welcome to Worship



We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us this Sunday. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join our church family. After worship, elders present will gather near the communion table to meet with those who have an interest in uniting with us. Welcome brochures are in the pews and on the table in the narthex, where you will also find a walking-tour guide describing the art of this church.

## FPC Community Briefs

**Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy" Bible Study by Beth Moore** is being offered on Tuesdays, January through March 30 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in Schreiner Chapel. To register contact Nancy Mallory by e-mail at [nancy.mallory@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.mallory@gmail.com) or call either Nancy (367-5470) or Puddin Lohmeyer (890-5123). Child care is provided with prior notification by calling the church at 257-3310.

Make a **New Year's resolution** to join the hundreds of people who receive "The Windmill" electronically. You get the news faster and in color, while the church saves printing and postage costs.

**Chancel Bell Choir** resumed rehearsals on Jan. 12 at 4:00. New members invited to 'preview' a rehearsal. All high school students, college students and interested adults are encouraged to 'try it out'. Call Tim Wilborn for more info at 830-257-3310.

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is responding to the **earthquake in Haiti** through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and its partners. For updates on the church's response, please visit [www.pcusa.org/pda](http://www.pcusa.org/pda). Contributions in support of Presbyterian relief efforts can be made on-line or by check to First Presbyterian Church and marked "Haiti."

The **annual congregational meeting** will be Sunday, January 31, at 9:45 a.m. in the Family Life Center. (No adult Sunday school classes that day.) The meeting will include a report on 2009, the presentation of the final 2010 budget, and a review of the terms of call for the pastors.

## Calendar for January 17-23

### Sunday, January 17

- 8:30/11:00 Worship
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 2:30 Divide
- 4:00 The Well, Jr. High
- 6:30 The Well, Sr. High

### Monday, January 18

- 5:00 Budget and Finance; Rm 204
- 5:30 CE; Lobby
- 6:30 Stephen Ministry, Training, FLC 500

### Tuesday, January 19

- 6:45 River Hill Bible Study
- 9:15 Staff
- 10:00 Beth Moore Bible Study
- 4:00 Bell choir

### Wednesday, January 20

- 9:45 CC Chapel
- 3:15 Koinonias
- 5:00 Coordinating Committee
- 7:00 Choir

### Thursday, January 21

- 12:00 PW Luncheon
- 3:00 Stephen Ministers; MSS

### Friday, January 22

### Saturday, January 23

- 11:00 HOPES Kitchen

### Sunday, January 24

- 8:30/11:00 Worship
- 4:00 The Well, Jr. High
- 6:30 The Well, Sr. High

