

First Presbyterian Church
Milledgeville, Georgia
May 31, 2009
Pentecost Sunday
GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

BELL PRELUDE "Seek Ye First" K. Lafferty, arr. P. Bettcher

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

BELL INTROIT "Sing and Rejoice this Sabbath Day" Emma Lou Diemer

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The love of God has been poured into our hearts
People: through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.
All: Let us rejoice in the power of the Spirit!

***HYMN #130** "Let Every Christian Pray" LAUDES DOMINI

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Passing of the Peace is a visible demonstration that we are members of the one body of Christ. Because we have been reconciled to God through the death of Jesus Christ, we therefore are also reconciled with one another. Let us now greet each other as forgiven sinners. May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you. *Extend a hand to your neighbors.*

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE OF PRAISE** "Gloria Patri" (#567) John Weaver
*Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen, Amen, Amen.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

BELL RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer" Emma Lou Diemer

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Praise be to God. Amen

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHORAL ANTHEM Every Time I Feel the Spirit Arr. William Dawson

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 42-44 Selected verses, Pew Bible, p. 39

THE SERMON *Is It Possible* Rev. Gaye Brown

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Hymn #398 "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

People: They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.

Leader: According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

People: Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

Leader: This is the Lord's table.

People: Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared.

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

The Words of Institution

The Distribution of the Elements

The Prayer

THE OFFERING

BELL OFFERTORY "How Great Thou Art" S. Hine, arr. M. Helman

***THE DOXOLOGY #591**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN #128** "On Pentecost They Gathered" MUNICH

***BENEDICTION**

***BELL RESPONSE** "Go Forth Now and Praise Our God" Emma Lou Diemer

BELL POSTLUDE "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" R. Founds, arr. P. Bettcher

Everyone is invited to the fellowship hall for a time of fellowship.

*Those who are able please stand.

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

The series is "Contemporary Literature and the Life of Faith, Listening for God" vol. 1. The first story in the book to be discussed is Flannery O'Connor's "Revelation".

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The following are members of the PNC: Rosemary Begemann, Joel Burns, Jan Clark, Holley Cowan, John Lamsma and Nancy Miller. If you have any issues, concerns or suggestions, please feel free to contact any member of the PNC.

PARKING NOTICE

We encourage those who are able, to park over in the Magnolia Bank parking lot. We have a limited amount of handicapped parking by the kitchen door and several on Greene Street, and we need to keep those spots available for those who truly need them. Thank you.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK UNDER THE ROOF, BLOCKING THE BANK'S ATMs!

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please have any announcements for the bulletin into the church office by Wed. of each week. You can either email the announcement to fpchurch@windstream.net or put it in the Administrative Assistant's box located in the office.

LISTEN TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE LIVE

11:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon on WKZR (102.3 FM)

VISITING THIS MORNING?

We're glad you're here. We are always grateful when God brings new people to join us in worship on Sunday mornings. We invite you to consider joining us in the life and mission of this church. If you are considering becoming a member of this church, please speak to the pastor or to one of the elders after the service. Persons may enter into active church membership in one of the following ways: by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith in Jesus Christ, or transfer of certificate from another church.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS

We have bags of worship-related activities available in the Narthex (entrance) for children to use. They are divided between "big kids" and "little kids." These bags contain puzzles for the children to work and stories to read. ~Please return the bags to the Narthex after worship.~

HEARING UNITS AVAILABLE

If you are having difficulty hearing parts of the worship service, please ask the greeter for one of the easily used hearing-assistance units that are available.

ELDER-GREETER AND EMERGENCY CONTACT

The Elder-Greeter and Emergency-Contact for the month of May is Tom Wood at 478-452-9195. Please call the elder if you have an emergency and cannot reach anyone at the church.

HEAD DEACON

The Head Deacon for the month of May is Jan Clark.

REV. GAYE BROWN'S CONTACT INFORMATION

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READ ME RECYCLE ME

Just leave me on the pew for the Deacons to collect after the service.



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KOINONIA (YOUTH)

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Youth Worker contact: Christina Hayes @ 478-737-2049
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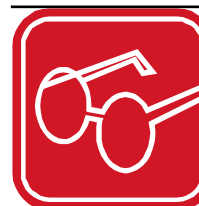
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