

Service of the Lord's Day

January 24, 2010

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."
Luke 4:18-19

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Congregation responsively reads lines in bold text.

† Those able, please stand.

As the Opening Voluntary begins, listen quietly as we prepare to worship the Lord.

GOD CALLS US TOGETHER TO WORSHIP AND PRAISE

CHIMING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the red friendship pads down your row

† GREETING ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

GATHERING SONG

*Behold the goodness of our Lord,
How blest it is to be
A company of God's beloved,
In holy unity.*

AMAZING GRACE

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Dan Miller

REMEMBERING YOUR BAPTISM

† RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

It's time for the news. Here are the headlines:

Good news for the poor.

Release for captives.

New sight for the blind.

Liberty for the oppressed.

The declaration of God's accepting love.

And happy are they who receive it!

† PRAYER OF INVOCATION

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST is when we become the embodiment of the "peace of Christ" that is offered to us with the forgiveness of sins.

CALL TO WORSHIP

The people are called to worship God. Words from scripture are spoken or sung to proclaim who God is and what God has done. We are thus reminded that our worship centers in God and not in ourselves. "Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth" (Ps. 124:8).

INVITATION TO CONFESSION OF SIN

SILENT CONFESSION

RESPONSIVE CONFESSION OF SINS (Congregation Prays Together)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION is intended to encourage people to lay down any burden of guilt or regret or any sense of failure and inadequacy, and to reaffirm their trust in Christ's unfailing love and forgiveness.

Rock of our salvation, we know the faults we try to hide from you and those around us. We have not cared for people in the same way. We do think some are more gifted, or better, or lovelier. We would much rather celebrate with someone, than to bear the suffering of another. We are really not that sure that prisoners should be set free, or the poor given hope, or the outcast a seat at the table.

Redeemer of all people, but especially us, forgive us. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit, so that our eyes might be opened to see how others truly live. Enlarge our hearts with the gentleness of your touch, so we might embrace the opportunities we will have to serve. Open our ears so we can listen to what Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, teaches us about your love and grace for our lives.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Kyrie

DETROIT

*"Forgive our sins as we forgive," You taught us, Lord, to pray,
But You alone can grant us grace, To live the words we say.*

DECLARATION OF PARDON

† RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE (Congregation Sings) *We Are Forgiven*

Hal Hopson

All, unison

We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to
God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en. We are for -
giv - en. Thanks be to God. — Thanks be to God.

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SING THE PSALM

Psalm 19

ELLACOMBE

A Hymn to God: Creator

*The heav'ns unfold Your glory, Lord, In ev'ry realm of space,
The outmost bounds of all that is Resound Your wondrous grace.*

*Succeeding days to day confess, And nights to night record
In words, beyond our sense to hear, The greatness of the Lord.*

*The earth's imagined cornerstones Acclaim with joy their Source,
Who sets the gleaming stars ablaze, And gives the sun its course.*

*In ev'ry place within the sphere Your craft is ever found;
Majestic mountains, seas, and skies With ordered might resound.*

*Your Word is sure and perfect still A source of light and life;
Your Law is right and reason-filled, Your peace, the end of strife.
Your everlasting truth and love Can scarce be fully told;
More sweet than honey from the comb, More precious yet than gold.*

*You know the secrets of our hearts, But deign to love us here;
Preserved from pride and self-conceit, We meet You without fear.
May all the words our tongues shall speak, And all our thoughts in store
Find grace with You, Redeemer, Rock, Now and for evermore.*

-from Psalter for Christian Worship, by Michael Morgan

THE YOUNGER CHURCH

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

(Pew Bible, p. 61, New Testament)

Luke 4:14-21

One: This is the word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

There's a New Sheriff In Town

Rev. Tom Hagood

SERMON

When the Bible has been read, its message is proclaimed in a sermon or other form of exposition of God's Word. The God who speaks in scripture speaks to us now. The God who acted in biblical history acts today. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the sermon, offering grace and calling for obedience.

† HYMN

*Sing Out! Sound the Trumpets! Proclaim Jubilee!
To the tune of To God be the Glory, 11.11.11 with refrain*

*Sing out! Sound the trumpets! Proclaim jubilee!
Through words from Isaiah, we came to be free;
For blest by the Spirit, Christ read from that scroll,
Proclaiming his mission: To make our lives whole.*

Refrain:

*Hear the word! Sing it out! It's good news to the poor!
Christ has come! Let us shout! We are captive no more!
Lost sight is restored, and God's world is set free:
Christ came to our world to proclaim jubilee.*

*But still, women struggle for lives free and fair,
And children are hungry, and loved ones despair.
Still, those long-oppressed or in prisons of fear
Are longing to call this their jubilee year.*

(Refrain)

*O God, through your Christ you knelt down to the earth,
And by your own Spirit, you give us new birth.
May we as your church have a passion to share
Your jubilee love with the world everywhere.
(Refrain)*

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *is the response of the congregation to the proclamation and hearing of God's Word in Scripture and sermon and to affirm its faith in God and God's actions in Jesus Christ.*

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*Congregation Affirms Together*) Romans 8:1, 28, 38, 39
We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER *In response to the Word, prayers are offered. In these prayers, we acknowledge God's presence in the world and in daily life.*

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

A time of silence will be offered during the Pastoral Prayer in which you may lift prayer concerns.

If you would rather not say your concern aloud, you may speak to the pastor or an elder following the service.

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 OFFERING *is also a significant part of our response to the Gospel. As we present the money which represents our commitment to the work of the church, we resolve to maintain this community of worship, fellowship and service.*

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Who At My Door Is Standing? K. Lee Scott

Who at my door is standing, There patiently drawing near,
Who entrance is demanding? Whose is the voice I hear?
Sweetly the tones are falling: "Now open the door for me!
If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with thee."
Within, the rooms are darkened, All filled with dust and sin;
How shameful, how unworthy for Christ to enter in,
Yet, the tones are falling: "Now open the door for me!
If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with thee."
Door of my heart, I hasten! Thee will I open wide.
Though he rebuke and chasten, He shall with me abide.
Sweetly the tones are falling; "Now open the door for me!"
Lord, God, I hear thee calling, Come now, abide with me.
Dear Lord, abide with me!

THE DOXOLOGY *is sung, ascribing glory to God. It usually reflects the Trinity — praising Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

† DOXOLOGY (*Congregation Sings*)

Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts,
Praise Jesus Christ whose pow'r uplifts,
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit; Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!***

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

† HYMN (*Congregation Sings*)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Great is Thy faithfulness!

*Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

CHARGE AND BLESSING

THE CHARGE

A charge to the people to go into the world in the name of Christ may be included. The charge renews God's call to us to engage in obedient and grateful ministry as God's agents to heal life's brokenness. By the power of the Spirit, we are to be in life and ministry what Christ has redeemed us to be. God calls the church to join the mission of Christ in service to the world. As the church engages in that mission, it bears witness to God's reign over all of life

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Psalm 19

Benedetto Marcello

*Please remain quietly seated for the playing of the Closing Voluntary
or move quietly to the Narthex for a time of fellowship.*

WORSHIP LEADERS THIS MORNING:

Rev. Tom Hagood

Wendy Dewberry, Liturgist

David Flick, *Organist and Choirmaster*

Columbia Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir

Acolytes: Jack Brock and Jorge Lehman-Gonzalez

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This Week at Columbia Presbyterian Church

*Please remember to recycle your bulletin
in the recycle baskets in the narthex and breezeway entrance.*

Sunday, January 24

9:30 am Nursery opens
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
10:30 am Chancel Choir warm-up
11:00 am **Worship service**
12:15 pm Session Meeting

Tuesday, January 26

4:30 pm Kids Club
7:00 pm Taize worship

Wednesday, January 27

6:45 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 28

Friday, January 29

8:00 pm AA meeting

Saturday, January 30

8:00 am Waldorf School of Atlanta open house
8:00 pm AA meeting

Sunday, January 31

9:30 am Nursery opens
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
10:30 am Chancel Choir warm-up
11:00 am **Worship service**
12:15 pm Confirmation Class

Volunteers Today:

Ushers: Charlie Cromwell, Wendy Cromwell, Richard Schulz
Sound System: Arnie Van Wyk

Welcome! We are glad that you are here!

Columbia Presbyterian Church is a place where members and guests gather to worship and serve God in a caring, inspiring, mission-directed environment. We hope you feel a fresh expression of God's love for you here today.

- If you would like a large-print hymnal, please see an usher.
- Childcare is available in the nursery downstairs during worship and Sunday School.
- Children five and under may leave worship after Time with the Younger Church and go to the nursery. Children six and older are asked to stay for worship. Worship activity bags are available.

Haiti Disaster Assistance: If you are able, please donate to the Haitian earthquake relief effort by donating to the church and marking your check "Haiti" . . . or you can go directly on our website and donate directly through the provided link.

And speaking of the newsletter, please remember to let the office know how you would like to receive your newsletter from now on: mailed to you, picked up from the office or the narthex, emailed, or read on the church website. Call the church office (404-284-2441), email (columbiapresbyterian@gmail.com), or leave a note in the office. Thank you for helping us not only move with the times but save money on paper, printing, and postage!

January is one of our DEAM months. to help stock the Decatur Emergency Assistance Ministry food pantry. The following items are needed: *cereal, rice, one-quart packages of dry milk, jelly, corn muffin mix, toilet paper, and bar soap.* There is a collection box in the narthex for your donations. Also, checks may be made payable to DEAM and will be used to help with their financial assistance programs. Thank you for helping!

COLUMBIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Margaret Bloodworth	Gene Doi	Michael Lacey's father Elton
Laura Bordeaux's cousin Kitty	Seige Erickson	Rev. Thomas Livengood
Dru Carter	Ethan (16 year old with cancer)	Earl S. (Sandra Love's brother)
Eleanor Chambers (Woods)	Richard Feddern (Woods)	Linda (Sandra Love's sister)
Dorothy Clark	Bernie Granger	Midway Presbyterian Church
Irene Clark, Dorothy's aunt	Lloyd Grizzle (Dewberry)	The Mulrine family (Gartrell)
Martha Clinkscales' mother	Arkeya Harris	Wayne Hughes (Donna Hagood)
Carlos Cordoza-Orlandi's mom	Jerry Patrick's great. niece, Lindsey	Tennie Peters
Tom Day (Kay Potter)	Diane (Russ Hiner)	Earl Polk (Kay Potter)
Arkeya's father	Hope family	Orlando Rachele (Hagood)
Brenda Barns (Fawn Thomas)	Eloise Jones (Woods)	Rehoboth Presbyterian Church
	Sarah Jones (in India)	Ruata's family

