



First Presbyterian Church

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Order of Service for the Worship of God

September 6, 2009

10:30 am

Rev. Brad Munroe
Rev. Suzanne D'Spain
Rev. Patrick Hurley, Parish Associate
Liz Shoemaker, Director of Music
Neal Osborn, Organist

Gayle Ganger, Director of Children's Ministry
Rene Morrissey, Director of Youth Ministry
Karen Rhea, Financial Secretary/Office Mgr
Lyn Mabey, Church Secretary
Wes Combs, Custodian



WELCOME guests! A nursery (second floor) is available for babies 6 weeks to children 3 years of age. **Sunday School** is taking a one week break but Kick-off Sunday is next week! Please give us your name, address or email and how you learned about the church when you sign the communication card, and please visit the information booth in the fellowship hall to receive a free book, our gift to you.

PRELUDE

You Don't Knock!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is the One who gives sight to the blind, voice to the mute, ears to hear for those who have faith.

People: We thank you, O Lord, for your gracious concern; we worship you, O our God, for your goodness and mercy are new every morning.

*HYMN

Preachin' 'N Prayin'

CONFESSION OF OUR CORPORATE SIN AND THE SIN OF THE WORLD

(Unison) Lord, you have given us eyes to see and ears to hear yet too often are we blind to the injustice before us, too easily are we deaf to the cries of the poor. Forgive us all spiritual blindness, all faith deafness, all evangelistic muteness. Liberate us from our own selves that we may join together in walking the way of Jesus.

(Please observe a time of silence for prayer and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel!

People: In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven, so we will forgive others.

*HYMN

Three Men on a Mountain

SCRIPTURE

Mark 7:24-37

(p. 1054)

SERMON

Open Minded, Open Hearted, Open Ended

PASTORAL PRAYER

A TIME FOR STEWARDSHIP

Seeing God at work requires one to look with the intent to notice; hearing God's voice requires one to quiet all other noise, all other voices, even the voice of one's own anxiety. Yet to see and to hear through faith is the necessary first step of Christian obedience.

OFFERTORY

Step Out on the Water

*DOXOLOGY

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**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

A Celtic prayer

(Unison) As we give alms to the poor, may we not congratulate ourselves; may there be no pride in our act, for the wealth we possess is on loan, for God has made us its steward, for we are his hands and his heart. And so may our love for others be God's love; may our pity be his compassion; and may our alms be received as his gift.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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!

L: O Gracious God, it is our greatest joy...hear us now as we join our voices with choirs of angels who forever sing your praise:

P: (Sung) Christ be our Light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our Light! Shine in your church gathered today.

L: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit...

P: The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution / Distribution of bread and cup

(Please hold the bread and cup until all are served that we may receive them together)

Prayer of Commitment and Sending

The Empty Chair: Who is missing? How can we reach out to them? Call them today!

*HYMN

I'll Fly Away

*BENEDICTION

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Thank you, Guests, for worshiping with us. Please visit our welcome table in the fellowship hall to receive our gift to you, Lee Strobel's book, *A Case for Easter*. Coffee is available for all in the fellowship hall (regular) and, between worship services, in the Catacombs (cappuccinos, Italian sodas, etc.)

POSTLUDE

Will the Circle Be Unbroken

*Please stand if you are able.

Musicians for today's service include Fireweed.

HAPPENINGS AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN Week of September 6th - 12th, 2009

TODAY 6th

9 and 10:30 am ...Worship Services Sanctuary
 9:00 amBlood Drive
 12:00 noonHispanic NCD Service Sanctuary
 4:30 pmNO LUVLife play practice Catacombs
 6:00 pmThe Path Fellowship Hall

MONDAY 7th

..... OFFICE CLOSED.....

TUESDAY 8th

9:00 am Prayer Group Prayer Room
 12 noon Alanon..... Prayer Room
 12 noon Men's FellowshipLibrary
 6:00 pm Chancel Ringers..... Biddall Chapel
 7:00 pm Session.....
 7:15 pm Parachute Team..... Prayer Room

WEDNESDAY 9th

8:30 am Laterlifers Pres. Towers
 5:00 pmPresbybar Fellowship Hall
 5:30 pm Mentors Orientation
 5:45 pm MYLife.....
 5:45 pm Children Choir K-2 Choir Room
 5:50 pm Youth Band..... Sanctuary
 6:00 pmAdult Study..... Fellowship Hall
 6:00 pmFive Love Languages.....Library
 6:00 pm .. Avoid Marrying a Jerk or Jerkette..... Catacombs
 6:15 pmChildren Choir Grades 3-5 Choir Room
 6:30 pm Tuned In Sanctuary
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Choir Room

THURSDAY 10th

7:00 amMen's Group.....Library
 10:00 am Crafts Prayer Room
 5:00 pm Men's Emmaus.....Library
 5:15 pmAWB..... Prayer Room
 6:00 pmPraise Team..... Sanctuary

FRIDAY 11th

4:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Town Hall Meeting Sanctuary

SATURDAY Sept 12th

7:00 amMen's Group - Acts 29Library
 1:00 pmWedding Sanctuary

CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

Town Hall Meeting:

- **Friday, September 11th at 6:00 pm**
- **Sunday, September 13th at 11:30 am.**
- **Sunday, September 20th at 10:45 am (The meeting will follow the single worship service that morning which will begin at 9:45 am)**

Evangelism thought of the Month

Live as if Christ died yesterday, rose from the grave today, and is coming back tomorrow!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sign up for a Covenant Group! Last day to sign up is TODAY. Contact the church office for more information.

We will be retiring and we are accepting resumes in the church office. Interviews will take place after 14th September.

Men's Fellowship will open their fall season with a view of the Gunnison country with a professionally produced film featuring the Black Canyon National Park and the surrounding area. The group will enjoy a pizza lunch on **Tuesday, September 8th, at 12 noon.** The cost will be five dollars. For this session only we will meet in the library at the church. Please let us know if you will be joining us, phone Jim Brown at 543-5049.

Meditation Group - DeAnna Haynes will lead the group on **September 13th, 11:30 am** (following the 10:30 worship service) in the Confirmation Room.

Sunday Morning Adult Discipleship Formation begins Sunday, September 13th.

- **The Shack 9 am** Prayer Room (Joe Rhea)
- **How Shall We Pray? 9 am** Library (Jim Brown)
- **Christian Meditation 10:30 am** Library (Pastor Suzanne)
- **The Life of David 10:30 am** Library (Beth Huff)

Please Note: H.S. students will not meet for Sunday school on **Sunday, September 20th**, they will join the adults in the Sanctuary for the Congregational Meeting at 10:45 am.

Flour and Sugar for Coop — Cooperative Care Center provides food and other critical services to the poor, in a constructive and supportive atmosphere that extends hope and purpose to people in need. This month we are collecting Flour and Sugar. Please place your products in the box in the fellowship hall.



Convoy of Hope - September 19th, 10:00 am Midtown Shopping Center, 1015 W. 6th Street. **Convoy of Hope**

is a nonprofit organization that provides disaster relief, supply lines and outreaches to the poor and disaster-stricken in the United States and around the world. During a Convoy of Hope outreach, free groceries are distributed, job and health fairs are organized and activities for children are provided. Visit website at www.puebloconvoyofhope.com.

Welcome Back!! **PRESBYBAR** September 9th
(New Cost \$6)



Tossed Salad & Dressing, Tomato Florentine Soup, Hot Biscuits & Butter, Country Fried Chicken, Corn on the Cob, Seasoned Mashed Potato, Orange Cake, Corn Dogs, Onion Rings, Mac & Cheese.