

MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2010
Eight Forty-Five & Eleven O'Clock Worship Services
Eleven O'Clock Broadcast over WLNI 105.9 FM

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Eternal Purposes O. Messiaen
Westminster Chimes

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing a new song to the LORD! Everyone on this earth, sing praises to the LORD, sing and praise his name.

All: Tell every nation on earth, "The LORD is wonderful and does marvelous things! The LORD is great and deserves our greatest praise!"

Leader: Tell the heavens and the earth to be glad and celebrate! Command the ocean to roar with all of its creatures and the fields to rejoice with all of their crops.

All: Sing joyful songs to the LORD. He is coming to judge all people on earth with fairness and truth.

*Hymn #559 We Gather Together Kremsler

*Prayer of Adoration and the Lord's Prayer

The Lighting of the Advent Candle (seated congregational response)

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in Thee.

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O God, we live in a confused world. Our peace depends on your coming in Jesus Christ. We are a sinful people. Our pardon depends on your coming in Jesus Christ. We are full of good intentions but it is hard to keep our promises. Our only hope of doing your will is that you should come and help us do it. We confess that we always come up short. We are a people in need of a Savior. Our world waits for your peace, for your word of pardon, and for your grace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles' Creed Hymnal p. 14

*Gloria Grotorex

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.

The Sacrament of Infant Baptism (11:00 A.M.)

Emma Blue Starke, daughter of Susan and Jeffrey Starke

Concerns of the Church

Children's Moment

*WORSHIP WORKSHOP (11:00 A.M.) - for ages 3 & 4 and K & 1st grades
(Gateways to Worship) in the classrooms across from the Nursery.*

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem (11:00) Ye Nations All Early American

Ye nations all, on you I call: come hear this declaration,
And don't refuse this glorious news of Jesus and salvation!
To royal Jews came first the news of Christ the great Messiah,
As was foretold by prophets old: Isaiah, Jeremiah.

To Abraham the promise came, and to his seed for ever,
A light to shine in Isaac's line, by Scripture we discover.
Hail, promised morn! The Savior born, the glorious Mediator –
God's blessed Word, made flesh and blood, assumed the human nature.

Ye nations all, on you I call: come hear this declaration,
And don't refuse this glorious news of Jesus and salvation!
Rejoice, rejoice, all people, now of Christ the great Messiah
Who was foretold by prophets old: Isaiah, Jeremiah.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 24:36-44 (pew Bible pp. 27-28)

Epistle Lesson: Romans 13:11-14 (pew Bible p. 162)

Sermon **"What about the Christmas Rush?"** John M. Scholer

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE

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Offertory

*Doxology Old Hundredth

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

*Hymn #11 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You? Valet will ich dir geben

*Benediction and Choral Response

*Postlude Prelude A. Guilmant

*Those who are able, please stand

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**WELCOME TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

We welcome all who have joined us for worship today. All worshippers are asked to sign the friendship pad as it is passed during the Concerns of the Church. We're glad you're here!

Church Membership: If you are without a church home in Lynchburg, you would be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. The Session meets in the History Room to receive new members immediately following each worship service on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Infants and Young Children: Children are always welcome in the worship service. If your child needs attention, you may wish to sit in the Narthex where you can still hear the worship service, or you may want to take your child to the Nursery (Room #8, Ground Floor). An usher will be happy to assist you.

If you are hearing impaired, we have special devices available in the Narthex before the service. Simply ask an usher for help.

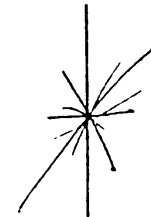
THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER will be celebrated Sunday, December 5, 2010. **TWO CENTS A MEAL offering** will also be received.

A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS: Mark your calendars now for *A Service of Lessons and Carols* on Sunday, December 12, at 4:00 P.M. Sing familiar carols along with the Chancel Choir as it presents this traditional service ushering in the Christmas season. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors.

HANGING OF THE GREENS: A service for the Hanging of the Greens will take place next Sunday, December 5, at 5:00 P.M. Come on out to see the sanctuary come to life with seasonal decorations. As we decorate the church, not only will the history of the symbols be explained, but they, as well as ourselves, will be dedicated to the glory of God and God's Son. You won't want to miss this wonderful and meaningful service that will help you prepare your heart for the coming of the Christ Child.

Christmas Season 2010

December 5 – 5:00 P.M.	Hanging of the Greens
December 5 – 6:00 P.M.	Advent Dinner
December 12 – 4:00 P.M.	A Service of Lessons & Carols
December 15 – 6:00 P.M.	Fellowship Dinner/Christmas Pageant
December 24 – 5:00 P.M.	Christmas Eve – Family Service
December 24 – 11:00 P.M.	Christmas Eve – Communion Service
December 26 – 11:00 A.M.	Worship – one service only [no Sunday School]



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