

**MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 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 Prayer J. Lemmens

Westminster Chimes

Call to Worship

Leader: Our God, be kind and bless us! Be pleased and smile.

All: Then everyone on earth will learn to follow you, and all nations will see your power to save us.

Leader: Make everyone praise you and shout your praises. Let the peoples celebrate with joyful songs.

All: Our God has blessed the earth. Let everyone on earth worship our God!

*Hymn #293 This Is My Father's World Terra Beata

*Prayer of Adoration and the Lord's Prayer

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O heavenly Father, we offer you our praise and thanks for the great blessings we have received from you. While we were yet sinners, you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, who was handed over to die for us, that we might have eternal life. Help us to hold on to his resurrection as a sure promise of our salvation. Cleanse us, that as forgiven people we may live the rest of our lives to advance your glory, and to serve toward the building of your kingdom. For Christ's sake. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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

*Gloria (p. 579) Greatorex

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.

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.

*Hymn (see insert) Almost Persuaded Philip P. Bliss

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem (11:00) O Sons and Daughters P. Sjolund

O sons and daughters of the King,
Whom heavenly hosts in glory sing,
Today the grave has lost its sting: Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days
To God your hearts and voices raise
In songs of joy and shouts of praise: Alleluia!

And we the holy church unite,
As evermore is just and right,
In glory to the King of light.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7 (pew Bible p. 64)

New Testament Lesson: Acts 26:19-32 (pew Bible pp. 147-148)

Sermon "Almost" John M. Scholer

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S SERVICE

Offering

Offertory Andante A. Hollins

*Doxology (p. 591) 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 #423 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun Duke Street

*Benediction and Choral Response

*Postlude All Glory Be to God on High A. Leupold

*Those who are able, please stand

* * * * The ushers will seat worshipers

**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: If your child needs attention, you are welcome 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 CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in honor of Gene and Jackie Campbell on their 60th Wedding Anniversary, by the family.

THE FLOWERS on the serving table in the narthex are given in celebration of the Eagle Court of Honor for Morris Edward McCrary IV this afternoon, Sunday, April 18, 2010.

THE PEALING OF THE BELLS you hear outside following 11:00 worship comes from our newly refurbished Maas-Rowe carillon. You will hear them throughout the Easter season in celebration of Christ's resurrection.

MUSIC FROM THE HEART concert next **Sunday, April 25, at 4:00 P.M.** Mark this date on your calendars. Our Chancel Choir will present a program of traditional American music along with spirituals and beloved hymns in what will become one of the most moving and talked-about programs in recent history. Invite your friends and neighbors!

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP materials available: We hope you noticed the CE worship cart outside the sanctuary. We would love for your children to use the items during the church service and then return them to the cart at the end of church. Younger children may be interested in the crayons and paper, while older children may enjoy the "Pockets" magazine, books, and folders with activities inside. Please help us take care of the items so all the children can enjoy them when they attend church!

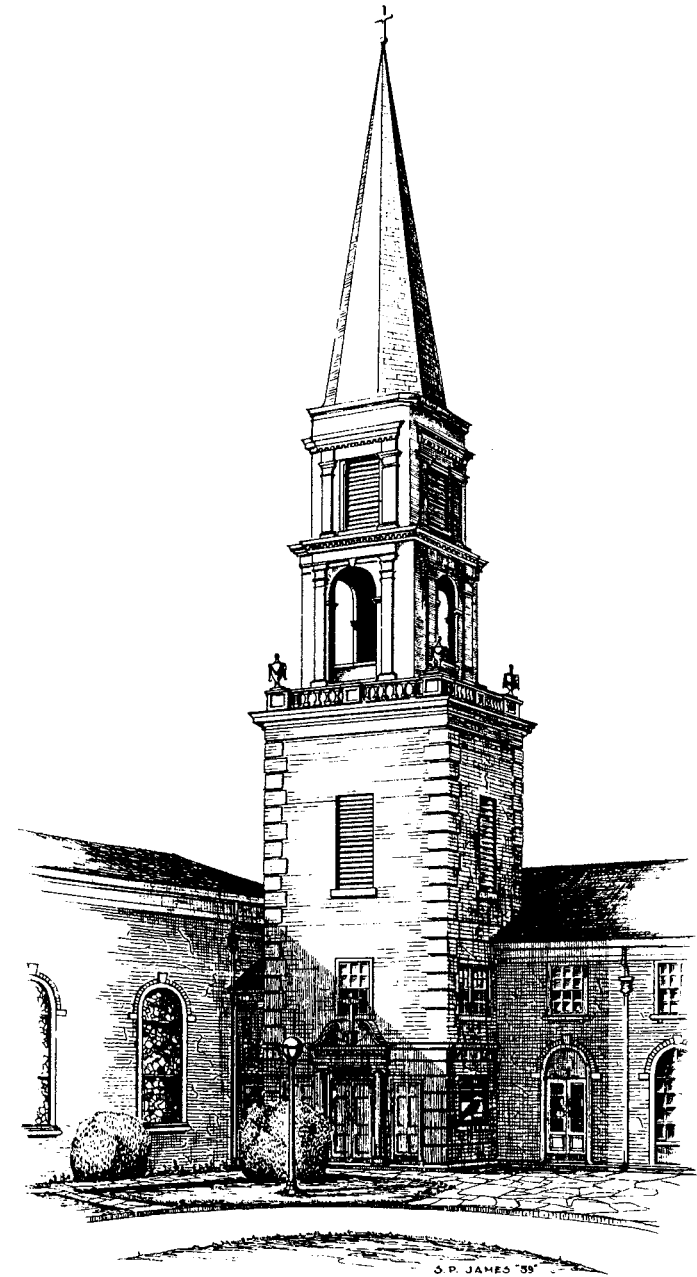
LEONARD SCHOLARSHIP: Our church is the distribution agent for a financial needs grant for undergraduate and graduate studies at a four year accredited college, university, and theological institution. The annual grant offered is based on need and is subject to a maximum \$3,500 per year of study. Interested persons should contact the church office for guidelines and an application for the 2010-2011 school year. **Completed applications must be in the church office no later than May 3, 2010.**

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL offerings for the month of April will go to Summer Camp - Jubilee Family Development Center.

MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS (APRIL): Sue Thornton (384-5299) and Anne McDaniel (384-0296).

First Presbyterian Church

**Virginia Episcopal School Road
Lynchburg, Virginia
April 18, 2010**



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