

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2012**  
Eight Forty-Five & Eleven O’Clock Worship Services  
Eleven O’Clock Broadcast over WLNI 105.9 FM

**WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME**

Prelude Prelude M. Durufle

Westminster Chimes

Call to Worship

Leader: On that first day, when time began, you gave birth to creation;

**All: Light danced through the darkness; the waters of hope flowed free and clear.**

Leader: On that first day at the Jordan, when redemption began:

**All: You spoke of life for all your children as Jesus stepped into the waters of forgiveness.**

Leader: On this first day of the week, when we begin anew:

**All: You call us to faithfulness, as we open our hearts to you, your voice claiming us as your own.**

\*Hymn #482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty Lobe den Herren

\*Prayer of Adoration and the Lord’s Prayer

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Timeless God, you cast light into sin’s dark places and call us your beloved. Forgive us when we still linger in the shadows. As he knelt in the waters of Jordan, you proclaimed Jesus as your Child, pointing to him as the way to you. Forgive us when we put ourselves ahead of him; when we think he is no longer needed; when we fail to see him in the brokenness of our world. As you spoke so clearly to Jesus, speak to us also so that your words of love resonate in every corner of our being and we know that we too are your beloved, on whom your favor rests. This we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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

\*Gloria 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 - for ages 3 & 4 and K & 1<sup>st</sup> grades. Children are to be picked up after the service from Room 9, Ground Floor.*

\*Hymn #324 Open My Eyes That I May See Open My Eyes

Pastoral Prayer (concluding with silent prayer)

Anthem (11:00) I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light K. Thomerson

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. *In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

**WE HEAR GOD’S WORD**

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 12:2-6 (pew Bible pp. 641-642)

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 3:13-17 (pew Bible p. 3)

Sermon “In These Waters” Meggan M. Farwell

**WE GO OUT IN GOD’S SERVICE**

Reaffirming our Baptism

Call to Offering

Offertory Interlude D. Zipoli

\*Doxology Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #391 Take My Life Hendon

\*Benediction and Choral Response

\*Postlude Prelude (*Suite Medievale*) J. Langlais

\*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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month.

**Infants and Young Children:** Children are always welcome in the worship service. 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.

**Offering Envelopes** are available in the pew racks. Cash offerings will be recorded on your church contribution statement if you provide your name and address. Please identify if your offering is for the general fund or for some other special offering.

**THE CANCELLATION OF FPC worship services and programs** due to bad weather will be reported to WSLS (Channel 10), WSET (Channel 13), and our web site [www.fpclly.org](http://www.fpclly.org).

**2012 OFFERING ENVELOPES are here!** If you requested offering envelopes on your pledge card, they are available on the table in the hallway leading to the chapel. If you did not sign up for envelopes and wish to use them, list your name on the request form located on the same table. Envelopes will be put out by the next Sunday.

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR resumes Tuesday at 4:45 P.M.** New members in grades one through six are invited to join (contact Ray Weidner for more details).

**MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS (January):** Dorothy Niles (384-1680) and Andrea Kittrell (258-3653).

**THE SINGLE ADULT FELLOWSHIP** will get together for lunch today at Milano's Restaurant (4327 Boonsboro Road). Meet at the restaurant by 12:30 P.M.

# First Presbyterian Church

**Virginia Episcopal School Road  
Lynchburg, Virginia  
January 8, 2012**



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