

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 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                      Prelude on *St. Columba*                      C. V. Stanford

Westminster Chimes

Call to Worship

Leader: At the baptism of Jesus, God said:

**All: “You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”**

Leader: When we hear God’s call to prayer, God is summoning us:

**All: “You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”**

Leader: When we hear God’s call to service, God is inviting us:

**All: “You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”**

Leader: When we hear God’s call to repentance, God is welcoming us:

**All: “You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”**

Leader: When we feel God’s absence, God is still supporting us:

**All: “You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.”**

Leader: Let us worship the God of our baptism, the God who blesses us still.

\*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)

Gracious God, by water and the Holy Spirit we have been claimed as children of your covenant, cleansed and made whole in Jesus Christ. Forgive us for preferring darkness to light, for rejecting your gifts, and forgetting your love. Forgive us when we have acted as if we knew no covenant and belonged only to ourselves. Forgive us when the waters of baptism have run off our shoulders and we have been stained by the betrayals of our souls.

Loving Father, grant us the gift of your Holy Spirit that we might be united with Christ, serving him all our days. May our lives – with and apart from one another – become nurseries of faith for each child of the covenant entrusted to our care. Help us learn to walk more boldly in your Spirit, as we pray together in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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

\*Gloria (p. 579)                      Creatorex

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 & 1<sup>st</sup> grades (Gateways to Worship) in the classrooms across from the Nursery.*

\*Hymn #492                      Baptized in Water                      Bunessan

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem (11:00 A.M.)                      I Am Thine, O Lord                      M. Milosevich

I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice  
And it told Thy love to me;  
But I long to rise in the arms of faith,  
And be closer drawn to Thee.

*Draw me nearer, blessed Lord, draw me nearer to Thy side;  
May I ever in Thy tender love abide.*

O the pure delight of a single hour  
That before Thy throne I spend,  
When I kneel in prayer, and with Thee, my God,  
I commune as friend with friend!

Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord,  
By the power of grace divine;  
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,  
And my will be lost in Thine.

**WE HEAR GOD’S WORD**

Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 4:1-6                      (pew Bible p. 193)

Gospel Lesson: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22                      (pew Bible p. 60)

Sermon                      **“Stir Up the Water!”**                      Meggan M. Farwell

**WE GO OUT IN GOD’S SERVICE**

Offering                      All Praise to Jesus’ Hallowed Name                      J. S. Bach

\*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 #370                      Just as I Am, Without One Plea                      Woodworth

\*Benediction and Choral Response  
\*Postlude                      Trumpet Voluntary                      J. Travers

\*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:** 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 by Janice and Bob Berkley in loving memory of Leland Lupton.

**THE SINGLE ADULT FELLOWSHIP** will get together today for lunch at King's Island. Meet at the restaurant by 12:30 P.M.

**PW CIRCLES: Horizon and Book Circles** will meet tomorrow, Monday, January 11, at 9:45 A.M. for light refreshments followed by circle meetings at 10:00. The Book Circle will discuss "Julie and Julia," by Julie Powell. **The Evening Circle** will meet Tuesday, January 12, at the home of Lib Richards, 501 VES Road, B105. All women of the church are welcome!

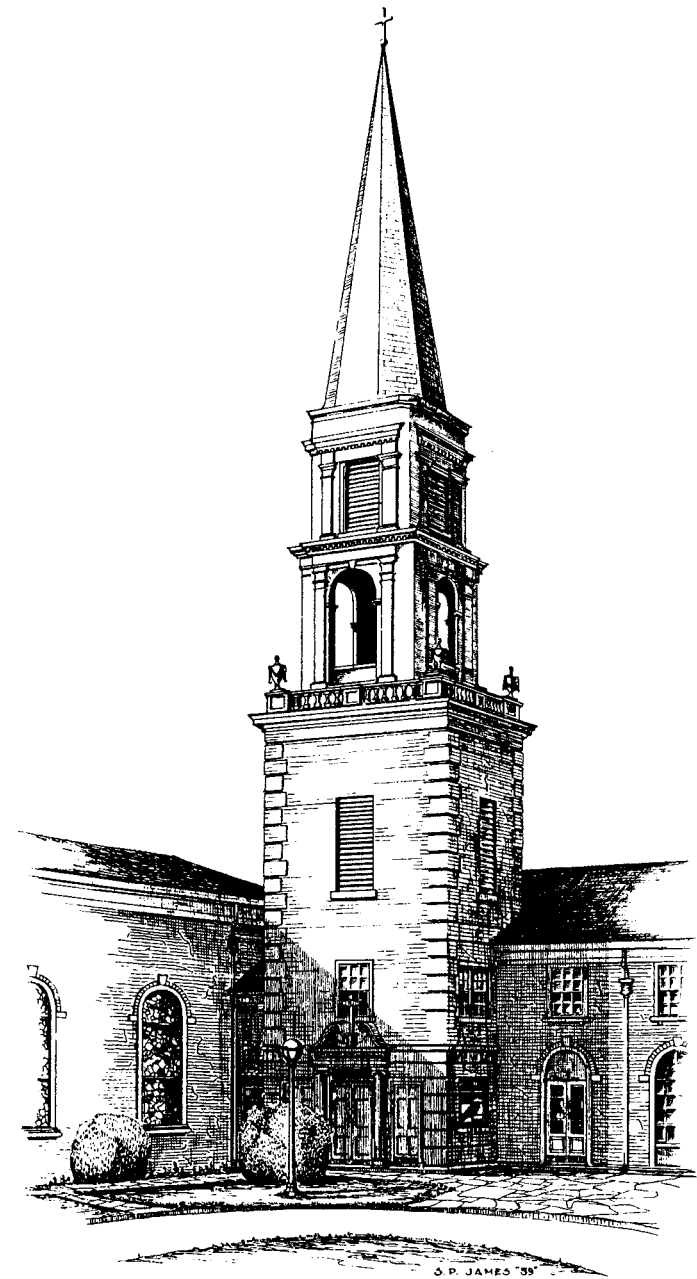
**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP** is beginning a new year this Tuesday, January 12, at 6:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. What's going to happen – financially? That is the big question, and we're happy to have with us Mr. Farley Shiner of Choice Investment Portfolios to help us look at fiscal 2010. Farley is Managing Director of his firm and Chief Administrative Officer. This firm manages funds for Foundations, Trusts, Endowments, and is located in Richmond. They manage 2.5 to 3.0 billion dollars and are in the top 1% in the country. Come and hear this outstanding speaker (he's spoken to us before). Let's hope the future is bright!! Sign up in the foyer.

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Lynchburg, Virginia

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