

# First Presbyterian Church

“Enter silently, Pray fervently, Worship joyfully...”

January 15, 2006

## Tidings of the Church “Please Sign & Pass Pew Pads”

Prelude “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say, Come Unto Me”  
Davenport

Introit “Lead Me, Lord,  
lead me in Thy Righteousness;  
make Thy way plain before my face.  
For it is Thou, Lord  
that makest me dwell in safety.”  
Psalm 5/S. Wesley

## Call To Worship

Leader: O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

**PEOPLE:** *You know when I sit down and when I rise up;*

Leader: You discern my thoughts from far away.

**PEOPLE:** *You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.*

Leader: Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

**PEOPLE:** *You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.*

Leader: For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

**PEOPLE:** *I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.*

Leader: How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

**PEOPLE:** *I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.*

**ALL:** *Let us praise and worship the LORD our God. Creator, Redeemer and Comforter!!*

\*Hymn of Praise “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” 356

## \*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

*Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you make in baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.*

## \*Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri 601a

Old Testament Lesson I Samuel 3: 1-20 (O.T. p. 247)

Epistle Reading I Corinthians 6: 12-20 (N.T. p. 169)

## Children’s Sermon

Anthem “Day by day,  
dear Lord, of thee three things I pray.  
To see thee more clearly,  
love thee more dearly,  
follow thee more nearly,  
day by day.”

Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester/Martin How

Gospel Lesson John 1: 43-51 (N.T. p. 92)

Sermon “A Search and A Tingle”

\*Hymn of Reflection 2137 (Sing the Faith)  
“Would I have Answered When You Called?”

## Joys and Concerns

**Prayers of the People, Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer**  
**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**      “Lead Me, Lord”      Wesley/arr. Leavitt

**\*Doxology (542v.4) and Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Hymn of Going Forth**      “Here I Am, Lord”      525

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**      “Postlude in G Major”      G.F. Handel

*\*Stand as you are able*

*Assisted hearing devices are available. Please see an usher if you would like one.*

*Bags of activities for children are available at the front and side doors. Please pick up one for your child to use or see an usher.*

*Nursery care is available in the Center for infants and toddlers. Please ask an usher if you would like directions to the Center or if you have questions. Of course, children of any age are always welcome to stay in the sanctuary during worship.*

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