

# DIVINE WORSHIP

## 8:30 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.

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(Romans 12:4–5, ESV)

+ Please stand for these acts of worship.

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VOLUNTARY:** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* J. G. Walther

**INTROIT:** *God Be in My Head* John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding.  
God be in mine eyes and in my looking.  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.  
God be in mine heart and in my thinking.  
God be at my end and in my departing.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Mr. Bult (8:30) Mr. Lauten (11:15)

+ **HYMN 53:** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

### + INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven;  
Hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come.  
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### + CONFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary;  
suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried;  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven;  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### + GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,  
Glory be to the Holy Spirit, binding all the church as one!  
As it was in the beginning as is now and e’er shall be,  
World without end! Amen.

### CHILDREN’S SERMON: 8:30 A.M. “Building Muscles”

**CHILDREN’S HYMN: 8:30 A.M.** *Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds* DUNDEE

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Which in our younger years we saw, and which our fathers told.

Our lips shall tell them to our sons, and they again to theirs;  
That generations yet unborn may teach them to their heirs.

Thus shall they learn in God alone their hope securely stands,  
That they may ne’er forget his works, but practice his commands.

### INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS 11:15 A.M.

**HYMN 11:15 A.M.:** *Saints of Zion* WYATT  
*Trinity Hymnal*, opposite no. 1

### CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful Father, you are a just judge. You teach us that every sin, even the least, deserves your wrath and curse. We confess our iniquity. We are sorry for our sin. We do not deserve your love. You command us to worship you alone. Instead, we constantly chase after idols. We love money, possessions, and praise from our peers more than we love you. We are sorry. You graciously invite us to pray. Yet, we neglect prayer because we don’t think we need you. We are sorry. You command us to love our neighbor. Instead, we have hated our neighbor. Instead of looking out for the interest of others, we look out for our own interests. We are sorry.

We have nothing to bring before your throne. We are guilty, and we cannot do anything to earn forgiveness. Jesus is our only hope of forgiveness. We believe, Lord. Help our unbelief. Help us look to Jesus. Cleanse our hearts so that we desire to live for you. Give us grace to live as your children. Help us glorify you in everything we think, in everything we say, and in everything we do. We pray this in Jesus’ name, Amen.

### SCRIPTURAL ASSURANCE OF PARDON

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

(Titus 3:4–7, ESV)

### MORNING PRAYER

+ **HYMN 512 8:30 A.M.:** *I Lay My Sins on Jesus* COMMEMORATION

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY:** *Thy Perfect Love* John Rutter

Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest,  
Thy perfect love close in my breast  
That I thee love and never rest;  
And make me love thee of all thinge best,  
And wounde my heart in thy love free,  
That I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

+ **DOXOLOGY** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(During the 11:15 a.m. service, K4 and K5 children may leave for Children’s Church. Parents should come for them in the Education Building, Room 103.)

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Ephesians 4:1–16  
(Pew Bible page 977, Children’s Bible page 1268)

**SERMON:** Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas  
“The Church’s Members”

### PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD

+ **HYMN 355:** *We Are God’s People* SYMPHONY

### + BENEDICTION

### + CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Benediction* WYCLIFF

May the grace of Christ our Savior and the Father’s boundless love,  
With the Holy Spirit’s favor, Rest upon us from above.

**POSTLUDE:** *Variation on “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”*  
George Thalben-Ball

**CONGREGATIONAL DINNER AND MEETING:** The annual dinner and congregational meeting for the adoption of the 2022 budget, election of the 2022 Church Officers Nominating Committee, election of the church treasurer, and any other matters will be held on Wednesday, January 26, in the Family Life Center. There is no charge for the dinner which starts at 5:15 p.m. The congregational meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m.

The Corporation of The First Presbyterian Church will meet immediately following the congregational meeting to elect officers and act on any other business that may come before The Corporation.

Nurseries for infants through three years old will be available beginning at 5:45 p.m. Children’s activities for K4 – 5th grade will be offered beginning at 6:00 p.m. Parents, please feed your children prior to the nursery and/or children’s program.

# SERMON NOTES

## “The Church’s Members”

Ephesians 4:1–16 | Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

# WORSHIP AT FIRST

## Things to consider

- ☞ Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service.
- ☞ The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask deacons for a receiver.
- ☞ Nurseries for children to the age of four are provided in the Education Building.
- ☞ A quiet room with a live video feed of the service is available in the Education Building, Room 113. There, mothers may attend to the needs of their children.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ☞ Our Children's Ministry will have a Parents' Night Out on Friday, January 28, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. This event is for children ages birth-5th grade; activities and snacks will be provided. Registration is required, and can be done on the website or app.
- ☞ All men are invited to the Men's Wild Game Supper on Thursday, February 10, at 6:00 p.m., to enjoy fellowship and a variety of meats. Our speaker will be Dr. Harry Reeder. Please register on the website or the app.
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For more information on upcoming events,  
please visit the church website.

## PASTORAL STAFF

DR. DEREK W.H. THOMAS, SENIOR MINISTER

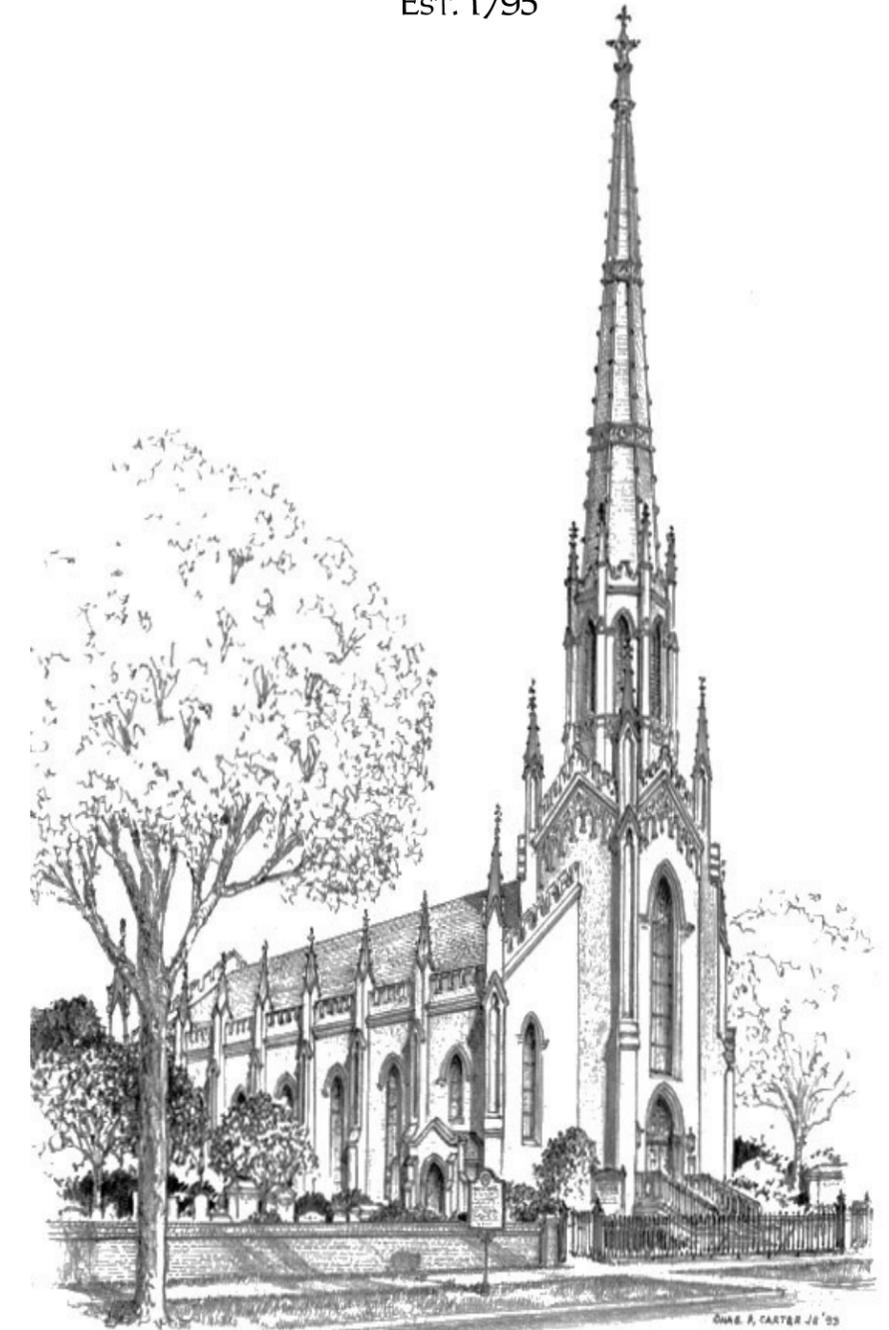
Rev. Bryan Bult, Associate Minister to Seniors  
Rev. David Henderson, Associate Minister of Discipleship  
Rev. David Lauten, Senior Associate Minister of Congregational Care  
Rev. Josh Squires, Associate Minister of Counseling

## MINISTRY STAFF

Janet Altman, Seniors Ministry Coordinator  
Marie Louise Bowers, Director of Women's Ministry  
Nate Cesky, Assistant Director of College Ministry  
Daniel Cole, Director of Music Ministry  
Liz Cooper, Assistant Director of College Ministry  
Barbara Diller, Congregational Nurse  
Jimmy Easterby, Assistant Director of Sports Ministry  
Beth Ann Hurst, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry  
Paul Kent, Director of Finance and Operations  
Hannah Lampman, Director of Children's Ministry  
Alayna McFarling, Assistant Director of Young Professionals Ministry  
Matt McFarling, Director of Youth Ministry  
Billy Pierce, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry  
Roxanna Rojas, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry  
Thomas Russell, Organist and Assistant Director of Music Ministry  
Richard Wolford, Executive Chef  
Joseph Yi, Director of Sports Ministry

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“IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, TO SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME,  
O MOST HIGH; TO DECLARE YOUR STEADFAST LOVE IN THE  
MORNING, AND YOUR FAITHFULNESS BY NIGHT.”

(PSALM 92:1,2)

## WELCOME

We extend our cordial greetings to all who are visiting us today and hope that you will join us again for worship. We ask our guests to sign the Friendship Register along with members of the congregation and to give us an address so that we can send you information about First Presbyterian Church.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Mary Louise Jones and Joshua Dean Lorenzetti on Saturday, January 15, 2022.

## EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

### “The Fasting Question”

Luke 5:33–39 | Rev. Josh Squires

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### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**HYMN:** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of creation!**

**O my soul, praise him,  
for he is thy health and salvation!**

**All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,  
Join me in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so**

wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under his wings,  
yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper  
thy work and defend thee!  
Surely his goodness and mercy  
here daily attend thee;  
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do,  
If with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom  
hath made thee,  
Decked thee with health,  
and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.  
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief,  
Spreading his wings to o'ershade thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
Gladly fore'er we adore him.

## **INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

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**bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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**INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMEBRS**

**HYMN 11:15: *Saints of Zion***

**From Abel's favored off'ring to Jesus' holy cross,  
The church of God's own choosing has triumphed over loss.  
*Then come, O saints of Zion in sweet communion wed;  
The bride awaits her glory: Lord Jesus Christ, her head.***

**By faith our fathers labored; in faith they lived and died.  
From Abraham to David, faith stood when it was tried.  
*Then come, O saints of Zion in sweet communion wed;  
The bride awaits her glory: Lord Jesus Christ, her head.***

**This covenant of grace divine,  
by Christ's own blood was bought;  
The promises of blessing shall never come to nought.  
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**By martyrs' death the holy seed  
was sown in grief and pain,  
That holy seed shall flourish  
till Christ shall come again.  
*Then come, O saints of Zion in sweet communion wed;  
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**The church of God triumphant shall in that final day  
Have all her sons and daughters  
home from the well-fought fray.  
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## **MORNING PRAYER**

**HYMN 8:30: *I Lay My Sins on Jesus***

**I lay my sins on Jesus, the spotless Lamb of God;  
he bears them all, and frees us  
from the accursed load.**

**I bring my guilt to Jesus, to wash my crimson stains  
white in his blood most precious,  
till not a spot remains.**

**I lay my wants on Jesus; all fullness dwells in him;  
he heals all my diseases, my soul he does redeem.  
I lay my griefs on Jesus, my burdens and my cares;  
he from them all releases, he all my sorrows shares.**

**I rest my soul on Jesus, this weary soul of mine;  
his right hand me embraces, I in his arms recline.  
I love the name of Jesus,  
Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;  
like fragrance on the breezes  
his name abroad is poured.**

**I long to be like Jesus, meek, loving, lowly, mild;  
I long to be like Jesus, the Father's holy child.  
I long to be with Jesus amid the heav'nly throng,  
to sing with saints his praises,  
to learn the angels' song.**

**OFFERTORY: *Thy Perfect Love***

**John Rutter**

## **DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

### **SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Ephesians 4:1–16**

**I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, 3 eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. 7 But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8 Therefore it says,**

**“When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men.”**

**9 (In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? 10 He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill**

all things.) 11 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, 14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. 15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

**SERMON:** *“The Church’s Members”*

**Dr. Derek Thomas**

**PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD**

**HYMN:** *We Are God’s People*

**We are God’s people, the chosen of the Lord,  
Born of his Spirit, established by his Word;  
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,  
And strong in him we stand:**

**O let us live transparently, and walk  
Heart to heart and hand in hand.**

**We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our Lord,  
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;  
Now let us learn how to return  
The gift of love once giv'n:  
O let us share each joy and care,  
And live with a zeal that pleases heav'n.**

**We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,  
Called to obey him, now risen from the dead;  
He wills us be a family, diverse yet truly one:  
O let us give our gifts to God,  
And so shall his work on earth be done.**

**We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,  
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace;  
We die alone, for on its own each member loses fire:  
Yet joined in one the flame burns on  
To give warmth and light, and to inspire.**

**BENEDICTION**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *Benediction***

**May the grace of Christ our Savior  
and the Father's boundless love,  
With the Holy Spirit's favor, rest upon us from above.**