

O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of His praise to be heard.
Psalm 66:8

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Handley

*SONGS OF WORSHIP & PRAISE

Everlasting God

Benton Brown/Ken Riley

Verse

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord
Our God, You reign forever. Our hope, our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God
You do not faint, You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak, You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

He Reigns

Peter Furler/Steve Taylor

Verse 1

It's the song of the redeemed rising from the African plain
It's the song of the forgiven drowning out the Amazon rain
The song of Asian believers filled with God's holy fire
It's every tribe every tongue every nation, a love song born of a grateful choir

Chorus

It's all God's children singing glory, glory, hallelujah He reigns, He reigns
It's all God's children singing glory, glory, hallelujah He reigns, He reigns

Verse 2

Let it rise above the four winds, caught up in the heavenly sound
Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals to the faithful gathered underground
Of all the songs sung from the dawn of creation some were meant to persist
Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples, none rings truer than this

Bridge

And all the powers of darkness tremble at what they've just heard
'Cause all the powers of darkness can't drown out a single word

Sing for Joy

Lamont Hiebert

Verse 1

If we call to Him, He will answer us
If we run to Him, He will run to us
If we lift our hands, He will lift us up
Come now praise His name all you saints of God

Chorus

O sing for joy to God our strength
O sing for joy to God our strength

Verse 2

Draw near to Him, He is here with us
Give Him your love, He's in love with us
He will heal our hearts, He will cleanse our hands
If we rend our hearts, He will heal our land

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Father of Creation

Verse 1

Father of creation, unfold Your sov'reign plan
Raise up a chosen generation that will march through the land
All of creation is longing for Your unveiling of pow'r
Would You release Your anointing? Oh God let this be the hour

Chorus

Let Your glory fall in this room
Let it go forth from here to the nations
Let Your fragrance rest in this place
As we gather to seek Your face

Verse 2

Ruler of the nations the world has yet to see
The full release of Your promise, the church in victory
Turn to us Lord and touch us, make us strong in Your might
Overcome our weakness that we could stand up and fight

Bridge

Let Your kingdom come (Let Your kingdom come)
Let Your will be done (Let Your will be done)
Let us see on earth (Let us see on earth)
The glory of Your Son

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

✎ Following the Message for Young Disciples, children in 3K, 4K and 5K are invited to go with a worship caregiver to attend *Children in Worship*. A nursery is provided for 2K children and below.

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE, WORK & WORLD

GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

All of My Days

Verse 1

Proclaim Your awesome power, tell of mighty deeds
Declare Your future kingdom of everlasting peace
And my eyes, they look unto You always
And I am captured by Your majesty

Chorus

All of my days I will sing of Your greatness
All of my days I will speak of Your grace
All of my days I will tell of Your wondrous love
Your love in my life, Your love

Verse 2

All Your works will praise You, Your children bless Your name
We speak of all Your goodness, we walk in fields of grace
And my eyes, they look unto You always
And I am captured by Your majesty

SERMON

“It's All About Attitude” (part 4)
Luke 15:11-32

David Ruis

Mark Stevens

Dr. Jenkins

*SONG OF RESPONSE

Here I Am to Worship

Tim Hughes

Chorus

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Bridge

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

BENEDICTION

*Congregation is invited to stand.

✎ Pastor will dismiss children to leave with their worship care-giver.

This morning's worship is led by Dr. Barry Jenkins, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Chris Handley, Associate Pastor,
and Mr. Rick Watts, Praise Team Leader.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Flowers for the service this morning are given in loving memory of Frances Crouch by her daughter, Marie Rouylle.

Special Prayer Needs: We encourage you to note your prayer requests on the *Request for Prayer* cards in the pew racks and then place them in the offering plate. Your requests are referred to the Pastors.

Hearing Assisted Devices are available in the sanctuary. Please see an usher to receive one. The devices are wireless so you may sit anywhere you wish and adjust the volume.

Ushers Needed: If you would like to help usher during the worship service in the month of October, contact the church office or call Betty Greer 669-5816.

Visitors Welcome: If you are a guest with us today, we want to give you a special “welcome” gift. Make sure as you leave the sanctuary today you pick up a bag from our hospitality area in the back of the sanctuary with some helpful information as well as a little something to warm you up. We just want you to know we are glad you are with us today.

Babies' Crying Room is available for parents that need to leave the worship service with their child. This special room is equipped with a live video feed of the service and is located adjacent to the women's restroom, in the hall behind the pulpit.

Encounter With God Devotional: If you would like to try an excellent devotional we will have a booth set up in the breezeway for you to pick up your copy today.

Welcome New Members
who joined our church family October 7, 2007

David and Carol Banner
Ralph and JoLynn Bratcher
Paul and Tabitha Davis
Matt and Claire Goodstein
Nigel and Shannon Watts, Anna and Emily



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Deacon's Call: Your Shepherd will be calling you soon. Deacons have a goal to be in touch with you some time in the near future, so watch for a call.

Vocal Concert: Patti Edwards, soprano, accompanied by Elsie Pollack, will be in concert today at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Patti, teacher at Coastal Carolina University and recitalist, has been a choir clinician for our Chancel Choir. Join us for this outstanding event.

Amazon Mission Team Report: On Wednesday, October 17th, after dinner, we will have the joy of hearing about the trip our mission team took and how the Lord worked in and through them, as they shared the gospel in villages off the Amazon River. Come and join us.

Youth Events: *Small Group* Sr. High and Jr. High meet tonight, at 5:00 p.m., at the Campbell's house. Call Wes for directions. *Bible Institute* October 14th at 12:30 p.m. Lunch is provided. *Party of Five* October 16th at Wes and Sage's house. Look for your invitation in the mail. *Fall Retreat* October 19th - 21st in Montreat, NC. The cost is \$35. We return Sunday around 4:30 p.m. *Scarowinds* Friday, October 26th. The cost is \$35. Bring money for one meal. Meet at the church at 4:30 p.m. We will return late, around 3 a.m.

Children's Pumpkin Carving: Next Sunday, October 21st from 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. Please be sure to contact Miss Kelly to sign up so we will know how many pumpkins we'll need. Also, as we plan this fun-filled afternoon, we are looking for individuals who would be willing to provide pumpkin shaped sugar cookies. If you are interested, please contact Miss Kelly at 662-2583 (church) or 496-9200 (cell). Hope to see you all there!

Wednesday Night Electives: On October 24th there will be a fresh start with some new, and some continuing, electives. These electives will last for four weeks, ending November 14th. Make sure to come and be with God's people and be challenged to grow in faith.



- Alpha (led by Jack Humphries and Rich West) is a refresher course in Christianity.
- A women's Study of Ruth and Jonah will continue, led by a team of women.
- Old Testament themes, especially the patriarchs, led by guest speaker, the Reverend Frank Colclough.
- What are your God given Gifts?: A study in spiritual gifts with Chris Handley.

Book Club Book of the Month: There will be a copy of this month's book, Eat This Book by Eugene Peterson, in the breezeway today. We will discuss the book over lunch on Thursday, October 25th. The book cost and lunch will be \$15.00.

The Living Letters Mentoring Ministry: Mentors will gather on October 28th at 4:00 p.m. in the Lawson-Raine Chapel to pray for the ministry and hear a report on its progress. All mentors are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, call John or Susan Bankson at 843-664-2042.

Reformation Sunday Lunch: On Reformation Sunday, October 28th, there will be a lunch together following our **COMBINED 11:00** service. Start planning now what you might bring. We will need meats, vegetables, salads, potatoes, rice and desserts and anything else deemed tasty. It will be a grand time together.

Operation Christmas Child: Share the Good News of God's love with hurting, poor and orphaned children through the simplest of gifts - shoe boxes! Filled with school supplies, toys, and personal items that are packed by caring people, these boxes help introduce children to Jesus Christ. To get involved, please pick up a brochure as you leave the sanctuary. The boxes can be dropped off at our front reception area on or before Sunday, November 18th.

Mission Opportunities: We will be offering three mission opportunities in the next  months. In late December 2007, Mrs. Kitty Daniels will **MISSIONS** lead a mission trip to La Calara, Nicaragua to continue our  partnership with that community. In late January 2008, Dr. Ken Lowry will lead a trip to Rwanda to visit our missionaries, Caleb and Louise King. And in early March 2008, Rev. Chris Handley will lead a trip back to Bayonnais, Haiti to continue to support the OFCB church in that community. If you are interested in joining one of these mission teams, please contact the appropriate individual or call the church office for more information.

Sunday, October 14, 2007

8:00 AM Thornwell Home 4th-6th grade
8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service in Sanctuary
9:45 AM Adult Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary
12:30 PM Bible Institute
4-6 PM Volleyball in CLC
4:00 PM Vocal Concert in FH
5:00 PM Youth Small Groups
6:00 PM Adult Small Groups
7:30 PM Veritas (*call Wes for details*)

Monday, October 15, 2007

9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
7:00 PM Boy Scouts in Scout Room

Tuesday, October 16, 2007

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast in Good Samaritan
9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
9:30 AM Women's Prayer Group in Parlor
9:45 AM PW Council
10:15 AM Manna House Lunch Crew
11:00 AM Young Mothers Ensemble
12 & 7 PM *Just for Women* Bible Study in CLC
4:00 PM Girls' Ensemble Practice
6-8:00 PM Party of Five
7:00 PM Coordinating Council
7:00 PM Board of Deacons

Wednesday, October 17, 2007

9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
10:00 AM Staff Meeting
4:30 PM Youth Handbells
5:00 PM Adult Handbells
5:30 PM Family Supper in CLC
6:00 PM Youth "Gathering" in Garage
6:30 PM Amazon Mission Team Report
6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal
7:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, October 18, 2007

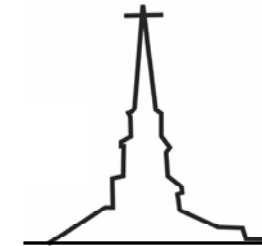
7:15 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at the Presbyterian Home
2:30 PM Building Disciples (1st-6th Grade)
4:00 PM First Fellowship at FMU
7:00 PM Cub Scouts in Scout Room

Friday, October 19, 2007 *Newsletter Deadline for November*

9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
Youth Fall Retreat - Montreat

Saturday, October 20, 2007

Youth Fall Retreat - Montreat



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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8:30 a.m. Worship

October 14, 2007

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in Jesus Christ
so that people may come
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