

First Presbyterian Church

June 5, 2011
Ascension Sunday

THE LORD'S DAY

10:20 a.m.

"We must conceive of his ascension and Lordship as something active, energetic and continuous, and must not imagine that he sits above while we hold the reins of government down here. No, he ascended because there he can best do his work and exercise dominion. Had he remained upon earth in visible form...he could not have done so much and so well, for all the people could not have been with him and heard him. Therefore, he inaugurated an expedient which made it possible for him to be in touch with all and reign in all, to preach to all and be heard by all, and to be with all. Therefore, beware lest you imagine that he has gone, and now is far away from us. The very opposite is true: While he was on earth, he was far away from us; now he is very near."

~ Martin Luther, 1523

*CONGREGATION STANDS AS ABLE.

PLEASE ADJUST ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES SO AS NOT TO DISRUPT THE SERVICE.

Welcome and Announcements Culley Newman, worship leader

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to God our Creator and Redeemer.

**People: Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:
He was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated by the Spirit,
seen by angels,
proclaimed among the nations,
believed on in the world,
taken up in glory.**

1 TIMOTHY 3:16

*Hymn 289 *A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Prayer of Adoration

Scripture Reading Acts 1:6-11

Confession of Faith The Ascension of Christ

From the *Westminster Larger Catechism*, Q.53-54

Question 53: **How was Christ exalted in his ascension?**

Answer: Christ was exalted in his ascension, in that having after his resurrection often appeared unto and conversed with his apostles, speaking to them of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God, and giving them commission to preach the gospel to all nations; forty days after his resurrection, he, in our nature, and as our head, triumphing over enemies, visibly went up into the highest heavens, there to receive gifts for men, to raise up our affections thither, and to prepare a place for us, where himself is, and shall continue till his second coming at the end of the world.

Question 54: **How is Christ exalted in his sitting at the right hand of God?**

Answer: Christ is exalted in his sitting at the right hand of God, in that as God-man he is advanced to the highest favor with God the Father, with all fullness of joy, glory, and power over all things in heaven and earth; and does gather and defend his church, and subdue their enemies; furnishes his ministers and people with gifts and graces, and makes intercession for them.

Offering

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Words by Isaac Watts

Music by Lowell Mason

Arranged by John Purifoy

CHOIR

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God.
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small!
Love so amazing so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO SIGN THE BLACK REGISTRATION PAD LOCATED
AT THE END OF THE PEW AND PASS IT TO OTHERS ON YOUR PEW.

*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.*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 10:14-22; 11:17-34
(pp. 957-959 in pew Bible)

Sermon

Rev. Phillip Palmertree

"Thoughtlessness"

Outlaw Sins and "Respectable" Cousins

*Hymn 298 *The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns* ST. MAGNUS
[v.1-3]

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation and Exhortation
Prayer of Consecration
Giving of the Bread and the Cup
Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 298 *The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns* ST. MAGNUS
[v.4-6]

*Benediction

Response

He Is Risen!

TEXT: ERIC SCHUMMACHER, 2004

MUSIC: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

O! Let the nations sing the fame of Christ the Lamb who once was slain!

He is risen! He is risen!

Now we await the coming day when all those raised in Christ will say:

Give him glory! Give him glory! He is risen! He is risen! Hallelujah!"

Notes about the service:

Ascension is one of the five great evangelical feasts of the church year observed by Reformed Churches (the other feasts are Good Friday, Easter, Pentecost and Christmas). Scripture teaches that forty days after his resurrection our Lord ascended into heaven where he is now seated at the right hand of the Father, occupying the position of ruler on the Father's behalf (Mt. 28:18; 1 Cor. 15:27; Eph. 1:20-22; 1 Pet. 3:22). As ascended Lord, he is accessible to all who call on his name and powerful to help them anywhere in the world (Heb. 4:14-16; 7:25; 13:6-8). Christ continues ministering to his people by pouring out the Holy Spirit on them, (Jn. 16:7-14; Acts 2:33) and lavishing on them the blessings and benefits that his suffering won for us.

Morning Service broadcast live on WKOZ 1340 AM
and live online at www.breezynews.com.

Live radio broadcast on WKOZ 1340 AM and live internet
streaming at www.breezynews.com now begins at 10:20 a.m.

We need volunteers to make baked goods for our VBS volunteers' snacks. Please contact Christi Sims if you would like to help.

Yaegashis to report on kingdom work in
devastated areas of Japan, Wednesday, June 15,
at 6:00 p.m.



Kazuhiko (Kaz) Yaegashi was born and educated in Japan, studied at Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, is a PCA minister, and has a wide-ranging ministry. He has served as evangelist and pastor of the Yamagata Presbyterian Chapel since 1977, teaches at a high school and an extension seminary, and works as a wedding counselor. Kaz and his

wife Katie (daughter of a Presbyterian minister) have five grown children.

"Thank God you've come!"

*We thank God that you've come today,
and we hope you thank God that you've come today!
Please fill out the black registration pad located at the end of your
pew, so we will have a record of your visit.
We want to serve you in Christ's name in any way we can.*

Evening Worship

6:00 pm

Welcome

Call to Worship

Hymns

310: *Rejoice, the Lord Is King*
469: *How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place*
257: *Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted*

Elder Prayer

Danny Temple

Scripture Reading

Joshua 2
(pp. 178-179 in pew Bible)

Sermon

Rev. Grant Carroll

"Faith and Faithfulness"
Joshua: To God Be the Glory

*Hymn 55

To God Be the Glory [v.1,3] TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*Benediction

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FPC VBS

June 13-17

"The Scottish Sleuths
and the Case of
the Hidden Hero"



ALL
VBS Teachers'
& Assistants'
Meeting
TODAY at
11:30 am

Pick up a registration form to register your
child/children for VBS and drop it in the
registration box in the church office.

Church Ministries

Budget Requirements

Monthly	38,123.67
Year-to-Date	152,494.68

Budget Information	Budget Receipts	Budget Expenditures	Total
April 2011	36,782.99	53,604.91*	-16,821.92*
Year-to-Date	143,125.84	163,366.33*	-20,240.49*

*Includes \$20,000.00 expenditure for replacing heating and A/C units in sanctuary.

Nursery Schedule: Notify Marsha @ 289-2435 of any changes.

Date	Toddler AM	Infant AM	PM
June 12	Carol, Wade & William Fiedler	Jeff & Misty Lacey	Ken & Sandra Fowler
June 19	Angie, Abigail & Emi Holman	Rhonda Johnson & JJ Warrington	Tammie & Heather Hudgins

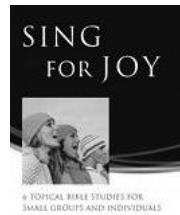
Wednesday Night Connection-summer edition

Supper: 5:30 p.m. – Meals are \$4.00 for adults and \$2.75 for children 10 and under. You **MUST** call the church office **NO LATER** than noon on Tuesday to add your name to the list or to cancel.

WNC classes: 6:00 p.m.

Kids' Connection: Christian Character Traits

Youth Connection: Galatians



Adult Connection: Sing for Joy: Delve into Scripture to discover **why** and **how** we should sing as God's "ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven" people. Booklets are available in the church office for \$5.00.

FPC YOUTH

- **TONIGHT** following Evening Worship, all youth are invited to a **Promotion Party** for our **rising 6th and 7th graders!!** We will meet in the gym for fellowship, games, and dinner. Pizza and ice cream will be served.
- **New Teen Sunday school classes** began today. Our study, this summer, is based on Paul Tripp's book, *Change and Your Relationships: A Mess Worth Making*.
 - Sr. High class (9th-12th grades) taught by Culley Newman at the Burge House.
 - Jr. High class (6th-8th grades) taught by Grant Carroll in room 406.
- We will start our new **Youth Connection** study of Galatians on Wednesday, **June 8th**.

Catechism Incentive Program

1. Individual goals will be set
 2. Parents work with your children at home
 3. Recite questions by the end of July
 4. Reward trip (must recite questions)
- Please contact Misty if you are interested.

Committee and Board Meetings

Finance Committee: Sunday, June 12 at 8:00 am

Mission Committee: Sunday, June 12 at 5:00 pm

Worship Committee: Sunday, June 12 at 7:15 pm

Activities for this Week in Our Church

SUNDAY	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:20 am	Morning Worship w/Communion
	5:00 pm	Choir Practice
	6:00 pm	Evening Worship
WEDNESDAY	5:30 pm	Fellowship Supper
	6:00 pm	Adult WNC, Youth & Kids' WNC
SATURDAY	7:00 pm	Fowler/McCool Wedding
SUNDAY	8:00 am	Finance Committee
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:20 am	Morning Worship
	5:00 pm	Choir Practice
		Mission Committee
	6:00 pm	Evening Worship
	7:15 pm	Worship Committee

Looking for an ideal Bible study...

for personal study, small group, or sharing with a friend?

We are selling our excess copies, which include:

- *Out of Darkness* (Exodus 1-18)
 - *A Praying Life* by Paul Miller
 - *A Woman of Wisdom* by Dee Brestin
 - *Partners for Life* (Philippians study)
 - *Growing in Christ*
- Available while supplies last. For more information, please contact the church office.

Kids' Summer Fun Trips

- **June 23** – Lunch-n-Bowl, Starkville; \$10.00 each; meet in church parking lot at 10:00 am
 - **July 19** – Lake Tiak-O'Khata; more details to come!!!
- Open to all ages, but ages 6 & under must have an adult with them. Please sign up for each trip.

JUNE DUTIES:

Elders: James Boyd, Danny Temple & Michael Holman
 Deacons: Richard Briscoe, Jeff Lacey & Sam Potts
 Preaching at Alexander Memorial Presbyterian Church: Grant Carroll
 Preaching at Alexander next Sunday: Sam Potts

First Presbyterian Church Kosciusko Staff

Rev. Phillip J. Palmertree, Senior Minister
 Rev. Grant B. Carroll, Minister to Youth and Families

Misty Lacey, Children's Min. Coord.	Pat Fiedler, Music Director
Melanie Newman, Pianist	Joey Hill, Building Admin.
Marsha Adams, Office Admin.	Allen Manning, Custodian
Annette Kern, Kitchen Manager	Richard Moore, Custodian

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 Deborah Templeton, Administrator
Presbyterian Day School

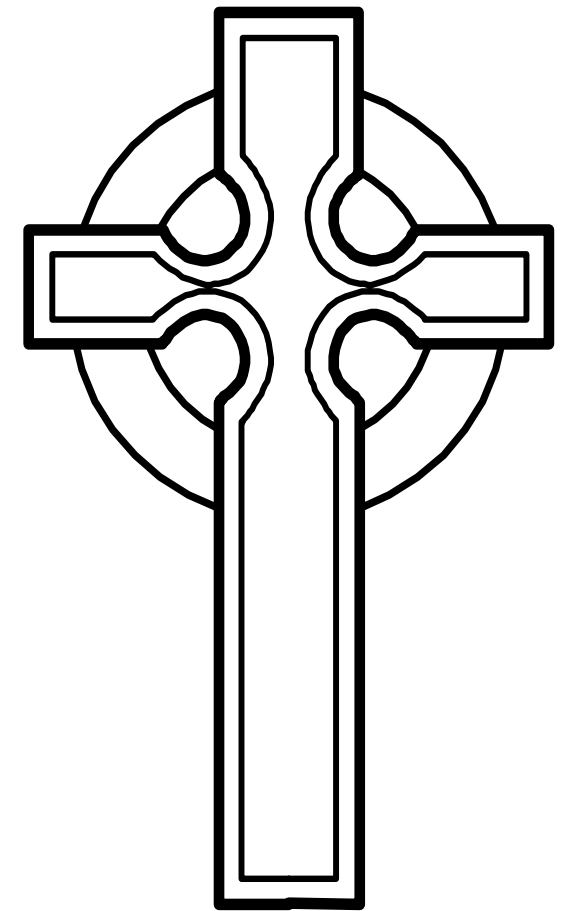
Kathy Cox, Administrator
 Sonja Adams, Business Administrator

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 Spence Stork, Superintendent

Ken Fowler Phillip Palmertree	James Boyd Michael Holman Eddie Thomas, Clerk	Don Smith Danny Temple
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Richard Briscoe Owen Oliver Sam Potts	Diaconate Kerry Hudgins Keith Paton Jeff Lacey	Allen Massey Scott Pickle
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Sunday Worship Service
 June 5, 2011

Vision Statement:
A Gospel-driven church pursuing God, his ways, and people.

**WORSHIP
 TEACHING
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