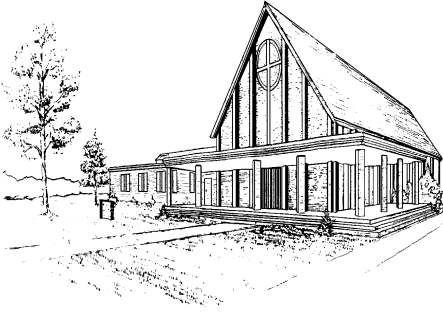


## **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



### **Sunday Service of Worship**

**January 29, 2012**

**10:30 am**

**Guest Pianist Donna Gorelick**

The Reverend Frederick H. Woodward, Pastor  
Debbie Eitel, Youth Director  
Catherine Mahler, Director of Music  
Michele Roberts, Bookkeeper

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**Sunday Service of Worship  
January 29, 2012 10:30 am**

**CHIMES**

Bill D'Andrea

**PRAYER FOR REFLECTION**

Nick Ferro

All-powerful and all-loving God, long ago your revelation in Jesus Christ communicated authority, wisdom and strength among your people. In this age when all authority is distrusted, let your Word address us again, for only Jesus has the words of life. Author our lives in his name so that we may more fully represent Christ to those who also long to hear those words and to find freedom from everything that keeps them down.

**PRELUDE**

*Song Without Words*

by Darwin Wolford

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pastor Fred Woodward

Please fill out "Ritual of Friendship & "Concerns of Our Church Family"

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 29**

*The God of Abraham Praise*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**(adapted from Psalm 111)**

Nick Ferro

Leader: We will give thanks to the LORD with all our hearts. Praise the Lord!

People: **Your work is full of honor and majesty, and your righteousness endures forever.**

Leader: The works of your hands are faithful and just; all your precepts are trustworthy.

People: **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice it have good understanding**

Leader: Let us worship God!

**SONGS OF PRAISE**

*I Will Call Upon the Lord* (see insert)

*Majesty* (see insert)

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Pastor Fred Woodward

**CONFESSION OF SIN** (Unison)

Faithful God, in our distrust of authority, we have exalted the freedom of the individual to decide what is right, true, and worthy of belief. As a result, we have subtly betrayed the One to whom God gave all authority in heaven and on earth, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Forgive us for trusting in our power and strength rather than in yours, for putting you on hold during the week while we busily live our lives without you. Forgive us that, when times are good, we seek your stamp of approval on what we have devised on our own. Forgive us that, when times are bad, we call out to you in our desperation, not our faith.

God of the covenant, forgive us from turning away from you, and have mercy upon us in our returning, for it is in Christ's name we pray. Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

### **RESPONSE**

*Gloria Patri*

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.

### **SCRIPTURE READING Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

**pg. 202, lg. print pg. 302**

Elder Alex Ames

### **HYMN No. 239**

*God Hath Spoken by His Prophets*

## **TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **OFFERTORY**

*Andante in A*

by Adolf Hesse

### **RESPONSE**

*Doxology*

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above the heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Elder Alex Ames

### **SCRIPTURE READING Mark 1:21-28**

**pg. 1045, lg. print pg.1551**

Pastor Fred Woodward

### **SERMON "Modernity and the Crisis of Authority"**

Pastor Fred Woodward

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Elder Roger Kaufmann

*Worshippers briefly share joys and concerns as part of their offering to God of their prayers of supplication, intercession, and thanksgiving.*

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who 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, the power, and the glory—forever. Amen

### **\* CLOSING HYMN No. 57**

*How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sound*

## **CHALLENGE AND BLESSING**

Come, O Lord, be with us.  
Fill us with joy and thanksgiving.  
May our hearts flow with peace.  
Come with your love and surround us.

Friendship and peace, may they bloom and grow.  
Bloom and grow forever.  
Bless us now, bless our friends.  
Bless all your people forever.

POSTLUDE

*The Heavens Declare*

by Benedetto Marcello

Announcements for the week of 1 / 29 / 2012

- ◆ **The flowers on the Lord's table** are given to the glory of God.
- ◆ **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** of the Congregational & Corporate Meeting to be held immediately following worship today, Sunday, January 29, 2012 for the purpose of receiving the annual reports, as well as any other business that may come before the congregation.
- ◆ **Materials for the March issue of Steeple Chimes** are due by Monday, February 13, 10:00 am, and will be folded on Thursday, February 23.
- ◆ **Men's Bible Study Group:** A men's Bible study group is meeting every Thursday evening at 7 PM in the Parlor. During this time we will discuss Bible passages as well as current issues that concern men. Everyone is welcome and feel free to bring friends to share in our discussions
- ◆ **The Friday Morning Bible Study group** meets at 10:30 am in the Parlor. During this time we share ideas and discuss what the Bible says to each of us. All are welcome to join us.
- ◆ **Pastor Fred's Office Hours** You can find Pastor Fred at the church between 11 am and 5 pm Monday through Thursday, though he can be contacted outside those hours for appointments and consultations (631-626-3702). It is still a good idea though to call ahead to make sure that the pastor is not out making visits or attending a meeting.
- ◆ **Come Grow In Christ** The Sunday Adult Bible Study meets at 12:00 Noon.
- ◆ **Friendships of Women** Womens' Bible Study meets Sunday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm in the Parlor. All women welcome!

**Calendar for the Week of 1 / 29 / 12**

**Today, Sunday 1/29, Annual Congregational and Corporate Meeting**

9 AM EBENEZER WESLEYAN CHURCH  
WORSHIP SERVICE CE  
10:30 am Worship Service -Meeting to follow  
6:30 pm Friendships of Women  
7 PM EBENEZER WESLEYAN CHURCH  
WORSHIP SERVICE CE

**Monday 1/30**

**Tuesday 1/31**

**Wednesday 2/1 2 pm Pastor Fred's Lectionary Bible Study**

**Thursday 2/2 7 PM EBENEZER WESLEYAN CHURCH BIBLE  
STUDY CE**  
7 pm Men's Bible Study Group, Parlor

**Friday 2/3 10:30 am Bible Study**

**Saturday 2/4 6:30 pm Communion Dinner**

**Next Sunday 2/5, Communion Sunday**

9 AM EBENEZER WESLEYAN CHURCH  
WORSHIP SERVICE CE  
10:30 am Worship Service  
12 pm Adult Bible Study  
6:30 pm Friendships of Women  
7 PM EBENEZER WESLEYAN CHURCH  
WORSHIP SERVICE CE

**UPCOMING STEEPLE CHIMES DUE DATE AND FOLDING DATE**

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**MINISTRIES WEEK OF 1 / 29 / 12**

**GREETERS:** Greeting us today before the service are Evelyn Starost and Rose Morando.

**ASSISTING IN THE PULPIT** this morning is Elder Alex Ames.

**SESSION LISTENING POST:** Elder June Spence will be available after Worship in the hall by the office for any who would like to share their ideas or insights about the ministry of the Church.

**COFFEE HOUR:** Assisting with Coffee Hour is Elder June Spence.

**ELDER ON CALL:** Elder Alex Ames, 273-4061, will be available during the week to respond to questions or concerns you might have related to the ministry of this church.

**DEACONS ON CALL:** Deacon Laura Smith, 754-4693, and Deacon Corinne Burdett, 261-4636, are here to serve you. If you or someone you know has a spiritual, physical, or financial need, the Deacon on Call will try to help you! Just call the Deacon or call the church office. All information will be kept confidential.

**THERE IS AN ACTIVE PRAYER MINISTRY IN GREENLAWN CHURCH.** Please feel free to call with your request for loved ones, friends, neighbors or yourself. Call Betty Chatfield at 261-8104 or email her at [bbcny22@aol.com](mailto:bbcny22@aol.com).

**NEEDS REQUESTS** If you know of someone in need, please fill out the blue form & place in the box located by the food pantry.

**FLOWERS FOR THE CHANCEL**—Each Sunday flowers beautify the Chancel of our church. We would encourage any and all to donate flowers for birthdays, anniversaries, “in memory of”, etc. A check for **\$30** should be made to Greenlawn Presbyterian Church. *To order flowers, please call Becky Dodge at 631-261-2087.*

### Our Serving Boards 2012

#### The Board of Deacons

**Class of 2012**

Gloria Arelt  
Debbie Eitel  
Maria Hottinger  
Gary Prentiss

**Class of 2013**

Patricia Ames  
Corinne Burdett  
Barbara Small  
Laura Smith

**Class of 2014**

Arlissa Dean  
Rebecca Dodge  
Kathleen Gerlach  
Susan Perrotta

#### The Session

**Class of 2012**

Virginia Bailey  
Diane Hartmann  
Nancy MacIntyre

**Class of 2013**

Alexander Ames  
Margaret Lawrence  
June Spence

**Class of 2014**

Robert Arelt  
Betty Chatfield  
Roger Kaufmann

The Reverend Frederick H. Woodward, Pastor

### Prayers of the People

**Your prayers make a difference!**  
**Please keep the following people in your prayers:**

Kayla Marine  
Maria Hottinger  
The Dodge Family  
Troops Worldwide