

SECOND STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 10, 2010 11:00 a.m.

The Assembly of the Saints on the Lord's Day

Welcome! We are multi-generational, multi-cultural and missional. We believe in the power of the Holy Spirit to save and to change His people through faith, by His sovereign grace, by hearing the Word of God written and preached. We believe He will do just that this morning!

ENTERING INTO THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

Prelude

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

(hymnal #210)

*Call to Worship & Prayer for God's Special Presence

Responsive Reading . . . Hebrews 4 (ESV) (see insert)

Song of Praise "Free Grace"

PRAYERS OF PRAISE, REPENTANCE

and INTERCESSION

Pastoral and Congregational Prayer

Prayer in Hymn "Surrender"

TITHES and OFFERINGS

Offering

"As the Deer" Choir

Offertory Prayer

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

** The Word of God Written Genesis 47:13-48:22

The Word of God Preached . . . "Because You Promised"

Song of Response . . . "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

*Blessing for charge into the mission field (fields of victory)

*Postlude

**Those who are able may stand*

***Children, through 1st grade, may leave for children's church*

SUNDAY NURSERY

(Nursery is available for children 6 years old and younger)

Today, January 10: Nancy Napier & Elizabeth Wilson

January 17: Mary Russell & Becky Levine

January 24: Terry Napier & Nathan Little

WEDNESDAY

5:45 p.m. Supper (Tracy Letto)

6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Youth, Pioneer Clubs

7:30 p.m. Choir practice

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Jerry Hager and family on the death of Jerry's mother, Margaret Hager, last weekend. Continue to remember this family in prayer during their time of bereavement.

THANK YOU

Jerry Hager and family would like to thank the congregation for the prayers, cards, support and plant during the illness and passing of his mother.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called a congregational meeting for next Sunday, **January 17th** after the morning worship service for the purpose of holding an election for three diaconal candidates: Kevin Brickman, Chris Harwood and Frank Letto.

MEMORIALS

The church gratefully acknowledges gifts given in memory of Martha Sanderson and Margaret Hager. Appropriate notifications have been sent to the families.

HONORARIUM

The church gratefully acknowledges a gift given in honor of Helen Mauldin by her family, Eddie & Betty Mauldin and John & Ann Mauldin.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

John Black is beginning a new Sunday school class next Sunday. The class will discuss C.S. Lewis' The Screwtape Letters. If you are interested, obtain a copy of the book and read at least the first chapter. The class will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

CLOTHING CLOSET

Infant/children's clothing and coats, sweaters of all sizes are especially needed at this time. The clothing closet will be open **Friday, Jan. 22nd from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

CHURCH COOKBOOKS

The tentative date for arrival of the church cookbooks will be the week of January 25th or sooner. The publishing company was on a two week shut-down which added extra, unexpected delivery time.

The books include 416 recipes in a hardback, 3 ring binder entitled, "Fruits of the Spirit." There are also 16 color pages of hints/tips, 4 pages of personalized info including the history of our church as well as an introduction by Pastor John discussing the Fruit of the Spirit. After advanced sales are collected, we can personalize and number certificates for those who wish to give the cookbooks as gifts. **The cost for each book will be \$14.00.** Thanks to all of you who contributed recipes and helped to make this the best cookbook ever. Please see Tracy Letto if you have any questions.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

At the end of our worship service today, as you exit the sanctuary, we will be distributing baby bottles from The Pregnancy Resource Center of Stanly County. We encourage each household to take one bottle.

We are asking that you take the bottles home, fill them with checks, currency or coins and return them to the church no later than **Sunday, February 7, 2010.** The baby bottle campaign is used to fund the center's programs that help women in crisis pregnancies, which includes pregnancy tests, education on pregnancy, adoption, abortion and abortion alternatives, fetal development education, referrals for medical care, social services, housing, legal assistance and adoption, clothing & furnishings for mother and baby, baby care/parenting classes, one-on-one counseling, Bible Study for those experiencing the emotional pain of a past abortion, Biblical counseling and programs for schools & youth groups to promote abstinence until marriage.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Wednesday, January 13: Anita Brickman

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to **Lindsay Phillips** on her recent graduation from Covenant College! Lindsay graduated with a degree in Biblical Theological Studies with a minor in Interpersonal Counseling. Her official graduation was December 17th and there will be a graduation ceremony held at Covenant on May 8th.

Lindsay's future plans include an internship with Mission ToThe World this summer. She also plans to return to school in the near future to obtain a Master's Degree in Christian counseling. Until that time, Lindsay will be helping to coach the North Stanly High School girls' varsity softball team and working as a substitute teacher.

Continue to support Lindsay with prayer as she begins a new path toward further education and a career.

OFFERING STATEMENTS

There are some offering statements for 2009 available in the vestibule.

In order for the church to keep a record of your offerings for tax purposes in 2010, you must put your cash offerings in a church envelope with your name on the outside or offerings may be given by check (checks do not need to go in an envelope to receive credit). If you would like tax credit for any equipment purchased for the church or gifts given to the church, you will need to obtain a letter from the church stating that we have received the gift. It is your responsibility to then estimate the gift's value for tax purposes.

PRC BABY SHOWER

Carolina's Largest Baby Shower, promoted by WRCM/91.9 radio and hosted by The Pregnancy Resource Center of Stanly County, will be held on Tuesday, January 12th. Some of the needs of the center are: diapers (any size but particularly sizes 4 & 5), baby wipes, new and gently used clothing size newborn to 3T, highchairs, cribs, strollers, infant car seats, and toddler car seats. Stop by between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on shower day for refreshments and a tour of the center.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Budgeted monthly need: \$10,600.00
Avg. '09 monthly giving: 9,000.00
Giving for January: \$902.00
'09 Faith Promise giving for Missions: \$2,551.00

Hebrews 4 (Responsive Reading)

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it.

For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened.

For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, "As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest,'" although his works were finished from the foundation of the world.

For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." And again in this passage he said, "They shall not enter my rest."

Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, again he appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts."

For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience.

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account. Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.