

Worship Service for The Lord's Day

October 11, 2009 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 11:00am

“Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one who whom little is forgiven, loves little.” Luke 7:47

During the Prelude we invite you to quiet your spirit, explore the order for today's service, and prepare yourself to worship God.

Prelude *Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now* J. Walther
Mike Strain, Director of Music and the Arts

✠**Call to Worship** Rev. Ron Hieber

Leader: Gather near...for we are in the presence of God

People: Listen...for your heavenly Father is about to speak to us...

Leader: Lift up your voice...and offer to Him a song of thanksgiving and praise!

People: Lift up your heart to God for an open and sincere heart He will not refuse!

✠**Opening Prayer**

✠✠ **Hymn of Praise, No. 464** HYMN TO JOY
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Prayer of Confession *(first silently, then together)*

O Lord God, we come to You today out of our great need and sincere desire to talk to You, our Father, our Saviour and our best friend. You have pledged Your word that whosoever comes to You will not be turned away. So Lord, we come as we are into Your presence, and yet we know we need to be changed and not leave here the same people. We confess we have neglected nudges and urgings from You, have made decisions without consulting You, have not turned our concerns over to You, and have blamed You when things went all wrong. These are sins in Your sight, Lord Jesus. Would You lead us into a new tomorrow by forgiving us today? This we humbly ask in Your name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

✠**Song of Gratitude** Hymn No. 422 (1)
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

**God, whose giving knows no ending,
From Your rich and endless store,
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
Costly cross, grave's shattered door:
Gifted by You, we turn to You,
Offering up ourselves in praise;
Thankful song shall rise forever,
Gracious donor of our days.**

Moment for Stewardship Robert Rankin

Sacrament of Baptism *Robert William Morris
Nathan Robert Morris*

Time for Children Mrs. Andria Alexander

A Parting Blessing for Children
*🔔 At this time children 3- & 4-year-olds go to Enrichment.
Kindergarten-3rd graders go to Children's Church.*
Leader: As we continue our worship,
**Congregation: May God be with you there.
Children: May God be with you here.**

New Testament Reading Luke 7:36-50 page 66

Sermon Rev. Bobby Hulme-Lippert
“The Upside Down Jar”

✠**Song of Response No. 557** *O What Shall I Render?* GRATITUD

Prayers of the People Dr. Thomas Pipkin

Offering Ourselves and our Gifts

Offering of Music *No Greater Gift* Ruth Schram
The Chancel Choir
Text adapted from 1 Corinthians 13

✠**Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

✠**Prayer of Dedication**

✠**Charge and Benediction**

✠**Postlude** *A Festive Trumpet Tune* Douglas E Wagner

THE CHURCH IS SENT FORTH TO BLESS THE WORLD
WITH FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE IN JESUS CHRIST

A Hearing-Enhancement System is available from the Ushers.

✠ Those who are able, please stand.

✠ Latecomers seated.

🔔 *Pick up children on the playground or, if bad weather, Rm. MH-202.*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Clairmont! We are honored that you are worshipping with us. Please fill out the Communication Card and let us know how we can respond to you.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of Jim & Barbara Dillon's 58th wedding anniversary.

Fellowship of Deacons: Greeters today are Fred Horne, Mary Burgin, Hope Arnold, and Ila Shroyer. Hospital visitors this week are George Castleberry, Mae Aycock, and Linda Zimmerman.

The Session of Clairmont Presbyterian Church has called a Congregational Meeting to elect Elders and Deacons for the Class of 2012, immediately following the 11:00 Service.

Consecration Sunday is coming - October 25! There will be a combined service at 10:30am followed by a complimentary lunch in the gym. *See insert.*

NEXT Couple's Garden will be **November 6, 2009.** *Watch for details.*

Advent Devotionals – We're looking for folks who enjoy creative writing! Believe it or not, it is already time to begin putting together a devotional for Advent. We will be compiling devotional entries written by you, the congregation. This particular year we're excited to try something that involves some creative writing. Let us know if you'd like to hear more – we'd love to have you write! Contact Bobby at bobby@clairmontpres.org or Megan at megan@clairmontpres.org.

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism today is Nathan Robert Morris, infant son of Robert & Meg Morris and Robert William Morris.

Children's Ministry:
 Sunday School - Kay Schoepke
 Infants & Toddlers - Stacey Voogd
 2-year olds - Charlotte Lail
 3- & 4-year olds - Reid & Janet Hartsfield
 K-3rd grade - Sherry Warner

Youth: Contact Nate Perry, Youth Director, for Youth activities at nate@clairmontpres.org.

Azalea Village Workday: Saturday, October 17 from 8:30am - 1:00pm. Contact George Miranda at (404)325-2724 to volunteer.

Golf Tournament - Friday, October 16. If interested, sign up on the board by the church offices or call George Hood at (770)939-1870 or Linda Massey at (404)634-3355.

The Sunday Bread Visiting Team for today is Robert and Caddie Rankin. The bread baker is Ann Costa.

Women Circles: Sunday Supper Circle meets tonight with a special guest, Valerie Palmer, missionary in North Africa. All women welcome. Contact Margaret Watkins for details at (770)496-0954.

Morning Followers meet on Tuesday, October 13 at 10:00am in the Bride's Room.

Senior Adult Fellowship: Monday, October 12 - Program and Lunch in Milligan Hall. Call the church office with lunch reservations at (404)634-3355.

Monday, October 19 - Lunchtime Series at the Art Station.

Thursday, November 5 - The Gallery of Creation. Call Judy Milota at (770)491-7274 for reservations for the Oct. 19 & Nov. 5 activity.



Wednesday Night Alive

Dinner at 5:30pm • Programming 6:15pm



Please make dinner reservations by marking the appropriate box on the Communication Card in the bulletin, or by calling the church office by noon on Tuesday at (404)634-3355.

Children's Activities: Ages 3 years - 5th grade
6:15 - 7:00pm - Music with Mary Lou Swann, Tricia Reinschmidt, Andria Alexander & Mike Strain.

7:00 - 8:00pm - Kids Quest Catechism Club
 Tricia Reinschmidt: 3 - 5-year olds
 Andria Alexander & Sarah Guzman: 1st - 5th grade

6:15-8:00pm - Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University meets in Milligan Hall.

6:30-7:30pm - ACTS of the APOSTLES - Through a chapter-by-chapter study of the book of Acts, we will examine the works and power of the Holy Spirit in the life of the early church and His role in our lives today. Led by Ginny Secor.

6:30-7:30pm - Clairmont Ringers Rehearsal
7:00pm - Soul Sisters - Small group for all women focused on spiritual growth through study and discussion in the church Parlor. Contact Renee Miller at rjmiller@yahoo.com.

7:45-9:15pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Please direct questions to Rev. Bobby Hulme-Lippert at (404)634-3355 or bobby.lippert@clairmontpres.org.

Menu:
 Tossed Salad, Spaghetti w/ Meatballs, Veggie Blend, Garlic Toast, Brownies & Beverages.

Dinner Buffet:
 Adults \$6.00; Children 12 & under \$3.00; Family Max. \$16.

October Lifestyle Stewardship: Possessions



Music on the Lawn

Friday, October 23 from 6-9:00pm

Grilled hotdogs, popcorn, s'mores, and drinks provided! Bring a side or dessert to share.

Have a blanket for your family to sit on while you enjoy original music from Tim Lloyd and Thomas Lockwood.

They'll be playing under the new Gazebo in Azalea Village!



You are welcome to join our evening worship service, "LAST CALL," a worshipping community of Christian young adults held **each Sunday** at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. Please contact Rev. Bobby Hulme-Lippert at bobby@clairmontpres.org for more information or go to lastcallcpc.org.



You are also welcome to join us at the **First Light Worship Service** in Milligan Hall at 8:30 each Sunday morning. This is a less formal, more relaxed service that invites people to worship God through song, prayer, drama, and the exploration and hearing of God's Word.

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Dr. Thomas Pipkin, *Senior Pastor* ~ Ext. 31
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Lifestyle Stewardship



The purpose of Clairmont Presbyterian Church is to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and make Him known to others.

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