



# First Presbyterian Church of Naples

Service of Worship  
Sunday January 24, 2009  
8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Our Mission:  
**Serving Christ In Our Community and the World**

The Prelude

***Rigaudon***

ANDRE CAMPRA

Welcome and Life Together

\* Call to Worship

Leader: Come let us sing for joy to the Lord.

All: *Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our Salvation. (Psalm 95)*

\* Hymn of Praise #26

LAUDA ANIMA

***Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven***

1. *Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet your tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!*

2. *Praise Him for his grace and favor to all people in distress.  
Praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness!*

3. *Father-like, he tends and spares us; all our hopes and fears he knows.  
In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely as his mercy flows!*

4. *Angels, help us to adore him, you behold him face to face.  
Sun and moon bow down before him; all who dwell in time and space.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!*

Prayer of Adoration

Prayers of Confession

All: *Lord God, we acknowledge before you that we can love and serve you more. We acknowledge that we can do a better job in being your disciples. Yet we don't feel we get it all wrong, we don't believe we are far from the truth, we don't seem to stray far from your way. Yet we need to be forgiven, so hear our prayer as we ask you to forgive in us what needs to be forgiven, help us fix what is broken in our love for you and for each other. Be patient with us, Lord God.*

A Moment for Silent Personal Confession

Sung response: (Kyrie)

All: *Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news, in Jesus Christ you are forgiven. Hear the good news, Christ calls you by name to begin anew.

All: *We begin afresh to love and serve you. Amen.*

\* Gloria Patri #805

GREATOREX

*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! Amen!*

Children's Time (10:00 a.m.)

<sup>1</sup>Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, 'As the LORD the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word.' <sup>2</sup>The word of the LORD came to him, saying, <sup>3</sup>'Go from here and turn eastward, and hide yourself by the Wadi Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. <sup>4</sup>You shall drink from the wadi, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there.' <sup>5</sup>So he went and did according to the word of the LORD; he went and lived by the Wadi Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. <sup>6</sup>The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening; and he drank from the wadi. <sup>7</sup>But after a while the wadi dried up, because there was no rain in the land. <sup>8</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, <sup>9</sup>'Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.' <sup>10</sup>So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, 'Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.' <sup>11</sup>As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, 'Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.' <sup>12</sup>But she said, 'As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.' <sup>13</sup>Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup>For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.' <sup>15</sup>She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup>The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

## Response

***We Give Thee But Thine Own***

SCHUMANN

**Amen.**

## Prayers of The People and 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 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings (Please pass the friendship pads.)

## The Offertory

***Lay Up Your Treasures in Heaven***

PEPPER CHOPLIN

"Lay up your treasures in heaven. O people, lay up your treasures in glory where nothing in this world can take them away," O listen people hear the Master say, "Come and lay up your treasures in heaven. O people, lay up your treasures in glory, your treasures in this world will fade away but the things of the Lord will last forevermore!" Well the Lord looked out and saw the people there. Tied up in worry and burdened with care, He said, "Seek first the kingdom and you will see the things that will last for eternity." Some people trust in their silver and gold, they put their faith in the wealth they hold. But fortunes will fade and kingdoms fall. So put your trust in the Lord of all.

## \* The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*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.*

## Second Reading

2 Corinthians 9

PEW BIBLE PAGE 942

Now it is not necessary for me to write you about the ministry to the saints, <sup>2</sup>for I know your eagerness, which is the subject of my boasting about you to the people of Macedonia, saying that Achaia has been ready since last year; and your zeal has stirred up most of them. <sup>3</sup>But I am sending the brothers in order that our boasting about you may not prove to have been empty in this case, so that you may be ready, as I said you would be; <sup>4</sup>otherwise, if some Macedonians come with me and find that you are not ready, we would be humiliated—to say nothing of you—in this undertaking. <sup>5</sup>So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to go on ahead to you, and arrange in advance for this bountiful gift that you have promised, so that it may be ready as a voluntary gift and not as an extortion. <sup>6</sup>The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. <sup>7</sup>Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup>And God is able

to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. 9As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.' 10He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; 12for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. 13Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, 14while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. 15Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Leader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

### ***Joy of Giving: Heart and Hand of the Matter***

## \* Hymn

### ***Will You Come and Follow Me?***

KELVINGROVE

- 1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?*
- 2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?*

## Reception of New Members

Joining the church today:

(8:30 a.m.) Kathy Brennen, Tom and Gail Clark, Bob and Ginny King, Annabella Richardi, Tom and Dorie Tichenor, Lois Tichenor

(10:00 a.m.) Martha Edel, Jonathan and Isabelle Edwards, Jan Stephens, Harold and Ruth Hogg, John and Nancy Kay, John and Harriet Tobin, Bob and Betty VandePolder, Doris Batcher, Joseph and Joan White

Leader: Do you as members of the church of Jesus Christ promise to guide and nurture these members by word and deed, with love and prayer encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of Christ's church?

**All: We do.**

Leader: Trusting in God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

**New Members: I do.**

Leader: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

**New Members: I do.**

Leader: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his Love?

**New Members: I will with God's help.**

Leader: Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, sharing in our worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

**New Members: I will with God's help.**

## Prayer of Blessing

Welcome

*All: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in Christ.*

\* Hymn of Commitment

***Will You Come and Follow Me?***

KELVINGROVE

4. *Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?*
5. *Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.*

\* Commission

Leader: Will you come and follow me, if I but call your name?

All: *Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.*

\* Benediction

Postlude

***Recessional in D***

BERTHOLD TOURS

Preaching:

Dr. Edward Thompson

Assisting:

Dr. Greg Smith

Organist: on the Julia Thompson Smith Memorial Organ

Dr. Brice Gerlach

Ushers: 8:30 a.m. Ed Lindsay (Head Usher), Paul and Janie Casassa, Pete and Jo Debbink,  
Bob Martin, Dick and Sue Vogel, Gary and Donna Tincu,  
George and Ann Goodnight

10:00 a.m. Jack Marsh (Head Usher), Barbara Marsh, Chris Miller, Marissa Baker,  
Tom and Marion De Lessio, Bob Martin, Lindsey Davidson,  
Emmanuel Orange and Rachael Mesnik, Brooke Whalen, Katherine Boll,  
Melanie Pierce, Carlos Barreno, Jenna McGonagle

Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Jake and Jean Stap, Sue Vernia, Tom and Jane Woodruff

10:00 a.m. John and Polly Huston, Jack and Joyce Tiller, Donna Desmond

Stephen Minister (Spencer Hall): 8:30 a.m. Shirley Hagerson

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*Donations to the Sanctuary Flower Fund have been made by  
Ruth McCullough in loving memory of Alden McCullough,  
who died on December 25, 2008.*

**Prayer Concerns**

**Hospital:**

Nina Cawfield Ft. Laud.

Margaret DeCaro (19)

Charlie Minard (f)

**Other Concerns:**

Joey Bei (f)

Fred Bell (17)

Julian Bell (f)

Lt. Dan Burgess (f)

Denise Collins (f)

Tom Corvin (f)

Lila Crosby Kalm (f)

Chris Cromer (f)

Alfred Desmond (f)

Kelly Dwyer (f)

Luke Filkins (f)

Don Green (20)

Boots Halstead (f)

Bob Hand (f)

Alex Hart (12)

Pat Hartley (f)

Jan Hertel (1)

John Hoover family (f)

John Jervis (11)

Larry Jones (f)

Irene M. Lichtefeld Neff (5)

June MacDuff (25)

Robin Maloney (20)

Dianne Mansfield (f)

Stephen Mansfield (f)

Spl. David Martin (f)

Alex McAslan (23)

Wade & Pat McCorkle (7)

Carol Newhouse (f)

Spl.4 Christopher Oberhaus

Bob & Dorothy Pash (16)

John Pfouts (7)

Betty Quillman (12)

Brandy Riber (f)

Mark Rideout (f)

Sgt. Kyle Romohr (f)

Margie Rustman (f)

Kevin Sawyer (f)

Gordon Short (f)

Jennifer Smith (f)

Peter Stopoulos (f)

Kurt Thomas (f)

Dorothy Wilson (26)

U.S. Military

Stephen Ministers and  
care receivers

(#) = parish number

(f) = non-member