



# First Presbyterian Church of Naples

Service of Worship  
Sunday March 21, 2010  
8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

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

The Prelude

***My Shepherd Will Supply My Need  
Shall We Gather at the River?***

FESTIVAL RINGERS

ARR. DOUGLAS E. WAGNER  
ARR. DALE WOOD

Welcome and Life Together

\* Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord says, I will make a new covenant with my people.

All: *God writes not on stone but upon our hearts.*

Leader: The Lord places a new song in our souls.

All: *Together we sing praises to our one Lord and God.*

\* Hymn of Praise #320

DARWALL

***Come, Let Us Praise the Lord***

- 1. Come, let us praise the Lord, with joy our God acclaim, his greatness tell abroad and bless his saving name. Lift high your songs before his throne to whom alone all praise belongs.*
- 2. Our God of matchless worth, our King beyond compare, the deepest bounds of earth, the hills, are in his care. He all decrees, who by his hand prepared the land and formed the seas.*
- 3. In worship bow the knee, our glorious God confess; the great Creator, he, the Lord of Righteousness. He reigns unseen: his flock he feeds and gently leads in pastures green.*
- 4. Come, hear his voice today, receive what love imparts; his holy will obey and harden not your hearts. His ways are best; and lead at last, all troubles past, to perfect rest.*

Prayer of Adoration

Prayers of Confession

All: *Lord God forgive our sin. We are aware that at times love has not been the guiding principle of our lives. At times, we have been less than patient toward others, less than kind in our judgment of others, and less than generous in our words to others. Restore us to faith and love, that we might love our neighbor as we love ourselves. In Christ's name we pray.*

A Moment for Silent Personal Confession

Sung response: ***There Is A Balm in Gilead***

BALM IN GILEAD

All: *There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,  
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sinsick soul.  
Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend;  
and if you lack for knowledge he'll ne'er refuse to lend.*

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Celebrate the good news. In Christ you are forgiven.

All: *We rejoice in God's love and mercy. 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.)

First Reading

Psalm 147:1-11

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<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting. <sup>2</sup>The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. <sup>3</sup>He heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds. <sup>4</sup>He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names. <sup>5</sup>Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. <sup>6</sup>The LORD lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground. <sup>7</sup>Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre. <sup>8</sup>He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills. <sup>9</sup>He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry. <sup>10</sup>His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner; <sup>11</sup>but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Response

***I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked***

GEOFFREY O'HARA

MO WHITE, BARITONE

**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

***Agnus Dei*** (Requiem)

JOHN RUTTER

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem.

*(Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest.)*

Man that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem.

In the midst of life we are in death: of whom may we seek for succour?

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem.

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

\* 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.*

<sup>22</sup>The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; <sup>23</sup>but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

<sup>24</sup>Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." <sup>26</sup>But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Leader: The word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

## Sermon

### ***The God We Get***

\* Hymn of Commitment #648

ANGEL'S STORY

#### ***O Jesus, I Have Promised***

1. *O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
be thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend:  
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.*
2. *O let me feel thee near me, the world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear:  
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.*
3. *O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.  
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.*
4. *O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee,  
that where thou art in glory, there shall thy servant be;  
and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.*

\* Commission

Leader: Go out and be God's faithful friends.

All: *With God's help we go, to love and serve, with joy and hope.*

\* Benediction

## Postlude

### ***Toccata in G***

THEODORE DUBOIS

## **Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Long**

The Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Long is the Bandy Professor of Preaching at Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, and the author or editor of 14 books on preaching and worship. He is ordained in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). He is the chair of the Day1 Advisory Board, comprised of leading preachers, scholars, and other leaders. Dr. Long received his BA and M.Div. from Erskine Seminary and his Ph.D. from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1980. He began his career as a preacher at McElroy Presbyterian Church near Atlanta, GA and since that time has taught at a number of seminaries, including Princeton, Columbia, and Candler. In 1996, Dr. Long was named one of the twelve most effective preachers in the English speaking world by Baylor University, along with the likes of Fred Craddock, Billy Graham, James Forbes, Barbara Brown Taylor, and William Willimon. He was ordained by the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church and currently his ordination is held by the PCUSA.

Preaching:

Dr. Thomas Long

Assisting:

Dr. Edward Thompson

Organist: on the Julia Thompson Smith Memorial Organ

Dr. Brice Gerlach

Ushers: 8:30 a.m. Jackie Cusick (Head Usher), Richard Filley, Ken and Carol Osborn, Bob Martin, Gerry Harvatt, Bud and Marge Martin, Louise Murphy, Bill and Adeline Hoagland, George and Ann Goodnight

10:00 a.m. Norm Brown (Head Usher), Barbara Marsh, Bob Knudson, Bob Martin, Elizabeth Brown, Plyllis Kruger, Helen Corwith, Al Diephouse, Dottie Brown, Suzanne Rose, Tim Plum, Don and Kathy Grandi

Greeters: 8:30 a.m. George and Mary Ann Lee, David and Audrey Brewin, Martin Hudtloff, Tom Tichenor

10:00 a.m. Joanne Beggs, Dianne Gilbody, Doris Johnson, Marcy Lindquist  
Richie and Joan Eisenhauer

Stephen Minister (Spencer Hall): 8:30 a.m. Barbara Gibson

10:00 a.m. Elle Boyd

*Donations to the Sanctuary Flower Fund have been made  
in honor of the Capella Choir of Calvin College  
and for Bob and Marjorie Boot in celebration of 60 years of marriage,*

*and by Chris Jones to the glory of God and in loving memory  
of Illa & John Sills Jones, her beloved parents.*

*We express our condolences to the family and friends  
of John Brownlee, Jr., who died on February 23.*

**Holy Week Schedule:**

Palm Sunday Worship (March 28 at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.)

Maundy Thursday Worship (April 1 at 7:00 p.m.)

Good Friday Worship (April 2 at 7:00 p.m.)

Easter Sunday (April 4)

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service in the Courtyard

8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

**Prayer Concerns**

**Hospital:**

Gene Buis (26)  
Robert Merbler (f)  
Campbell Stuckeman (f)

**Other Concerns:**

Jeff Arnold (f)  
Audra Barton (17)  
Joey Bei (f)  
Fred Bell (17)  
Lt. Dan Burgess (f)  
Evan Carew (f)  
Margaret Cashion (f)  
Rene Charvet (f)  
Tom Corvin (f)  
Chris Cromer (f)  
Lloyd Doerflinger (26)  
Lorraine Drake (f)  
Luke Filkins (f)  
Anita Gilmore (f)  
Elizabeth Glattfelder (12)  
Don Green (20)

Kathy Greenstein (f)  
Boots Halstead (f)  
Bob Hand (f)  
Alex Hart (12)  
Jan Hertel (1)  
John Jervis (11)  
Brock Lyons (f)  
Robin Maloney (20)  
Dianne Mansfield (f)  
Stephen Mansfield (f)  
Spl. David Martin (f)  
Patricia McCorkle (7)  
Wade McCorkle (7)  
Matthew Miller (f)  
Spl.4 Christopher Oberhaus  
Bob Pash (16)  
John Pfouts (7)  
Lory Phelps (19)  
Mark Rideout (f)  
Sgt. Kyle Romohr (f)  
Robert Rose (f)

Margie Rustman (f)  
Kevin Sawyer (f)  
Scott Schleicher (3)  
Pat Shoellhorn (22)  
Wendy Snow (f)  
Cheryl Spates (f)  
Peter Stopoulos (f)  
Kurt Thomas (f)  
Noah Trochessett (f)  
Linda Waller (f)  
Pat Warner (10)  
Gitte Watanabe (f)  
Virginia Weigel (f)  
Dorothy Wilson (26)  
Peggy Wilson(f)  
Donna Wyant (14)  
U.S. Military  
Stephen Ministers and  
care receivers  
(#) = parish number  
(f) = non-member