

Fourth

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, December 29, 2013
Morning Worship | 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

Let us enter the Sanctuary in a spirit of meditation in preparation for worship.

Welcome – Greeting of the People – Announcements

Prelude “Paraphrase on We Three Kings” Carlos Salzedo
Angelina Savoia, harp

***Congregational Introit** “Psalm 23” Crimond
The Lord’s my Shepherd, I’ll not want.
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God’s house forevermore
My dwelling place shall be.

***Prayer of Invocation and Adoration**

***Hymn of Adoration No. 87** “May Jesus Christ Be Praised” Laudes Domini

***Confession of Faith—The Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Hymn No. 623—Gloria Patri**

Sharing of Family News

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

8:00 Dr. Robert M. Norris 9:30 Dr. Robert M. Norris 11:00 Rev. Ron Meyer

Old Testament Reading Psalm 121 pages 516-17, pew Bible

*Hymn

“Speak O Lord”

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You To re - ceive the food of Your Ho - ly Word.
2. Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, Ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu - mil - i - ty;
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.

Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fa - shion us in Your like - - - ness; That the
Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the ra - di - ance of Your pur - i - ty. Cause our
Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, That will ech - o down through e - ter - ni - ty. And by

light of Christ might be seen to - day In our acts of love and our deeds of _faith.
faith to rise; cause our eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty.
grace we'll stand on Your prom - is - es; And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill in us All Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - - - ry.
Words of pow'r that can ne - ver fail; Let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built, And the earth is filled with Your glo - - - ry.

Call for the Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Passing of Friendship Register

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“God of the Ages”

traditional Gaelic melody

*Adam Kunsberg, voice and recorder;
Angelina Savoia, harp; Douglas Mears, piano*

God of the ages, history's Maker,
Planning our pathway, holding us fast,
Shaping in mercy all that concerns us:
Father, we praise you, Lord of the past.

God of this morning, gladly your children
Worship before you, trustingly bow;
Teach us to know you always among us,
Quietly sovereign, Lord of our now.

Lord of past ages, Lord of this morning,
Lord of the future, help us, we pray:
Teach us to trust you, love and obey you,
Crown you each moment Lord of today!

Sermon

“A Benediction for the Year’s End”

Dr. Todd Smedley

Passing of the Peace

***Hymn No. 52**

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Benediction

Postlude

“Rondeau”

Henry Purcell

**Congregation standing.*

Participating Officer:

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 Mike Strauss

Elders are available for prayer or ministry at the front of the Sanctuary at the conclusion of each service.

**The morning worship service is broadcast each Sunday at 11:00am locally on WAVA 105.1 FM
and worldwide by Internet streaming audio at www.wava.com.**

Hearing enhancement units are available for checkout in the Media Center
or ask an usher for assistance.

Tonight’s Evening Service, 6pm

“Who Is Thomas?”
John 20:24-31
Mr. Rob Yancey

Stewardship & Finance

GENERAL GIVING

Annual Budget	\$ 4,638,691
Year to Date Budget	\$ 4,453,702
Year to Date Received	\$ 3,742,054

Next Sunday, January 5, 2014

Morning Service

8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

“A King by God’s Appointment” | II Samuel 1:1-27

Dr. Robert M. Norris

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper will be celebrated.

Evening Service

6pm in the Sanctuary

“Luke’s Orderly Account of Jesus” | Luke 1:1-4

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