

1. Come to the wa - ters, who - ev - er is thirst - y;  
2. Come to the Riv - er that flows through the ci - ty,  
3. Come to the Foun - tain with - out an - y mon - ey;  
4. Come to the Well of un - mer - it - ed fa - vor;  
5. Come to the Sav - ior, the God of sal - va - tion.

drink from the Foun - tain that nev - er runs dry.  
forth from the throne of the Fa - ther and Son.  
buy what is giv - en with - out an - y cost.  
stretch out your hand; fill your cup to the brim.  
God has pro - vid - ed an end to sin's strife.

Je - sus, the Liv - ing One, of - fers you mer - cy,  
Je - sus the Sav - ior says, "Come and drink deep - ly."  
Je - sus, the gra - cious One, wel - comes the wea - ry;  
Je - sus is such a com - pas - sion - ate Sav - ior.  
Why will you suf - fer the Law's con - dem - na - tion?

life more a - bun - dant in bound - less sup - ply.  
Drink from the pure, in - ex - haust - i - ble One.  
Je - sus, the self - less One, died for the lost.  
Draw from the grace that flows free - ly from him.  
Take the free gift of the wa - ter of life.

*The Women of The First Presbyterian Church  
invite the congregation  
to a reception honoring  
The Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Neil C. Stewart  
on the occasion of his installation on  
Sunday, January 21, 2024  
in the Family Life Center  
immediately following the evening worship service.*

**AN INVITATION:** We observe the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper during the worship services this morning. The table is the Lord’s. All those worshipping with us who have made a public profession of faith, are communicant members of other Christian churches, and affirm the doctrines of the Apostles’ Creed are cordially invited to join us at the Lord’s table.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The annual dinner and congregational meeting for the adoption of the 2024 budget, election of the 2024 Church Officers Nominating Committee, election of the church treasurer, and any other matters will be held on Wednesday, January 24, in the Family Life Center. There is no charge for the dinner which starts at 5:15 p.m. The congregational meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m.

The Corporation of The First Presbyterian Church will meet immediately following the congregational meeting to elect officers and act on any other business that may come before The Corporation.

Nurseries for infants through three years old will be available beginning at 5:45 p.m. Children’s activities for K4–5<sup>th</sup> grade will be offered beginning at 6:00 p.m. Parents, please feed your children prior to the nursery and/or children’s program.

**The flowers in the Sanctuary** are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the installation of the Rev Dr. Neil C. Stewart.

PASTORAL STAFF

DR. NEIL C. STEWART, SENIOR MINISTER ELECT

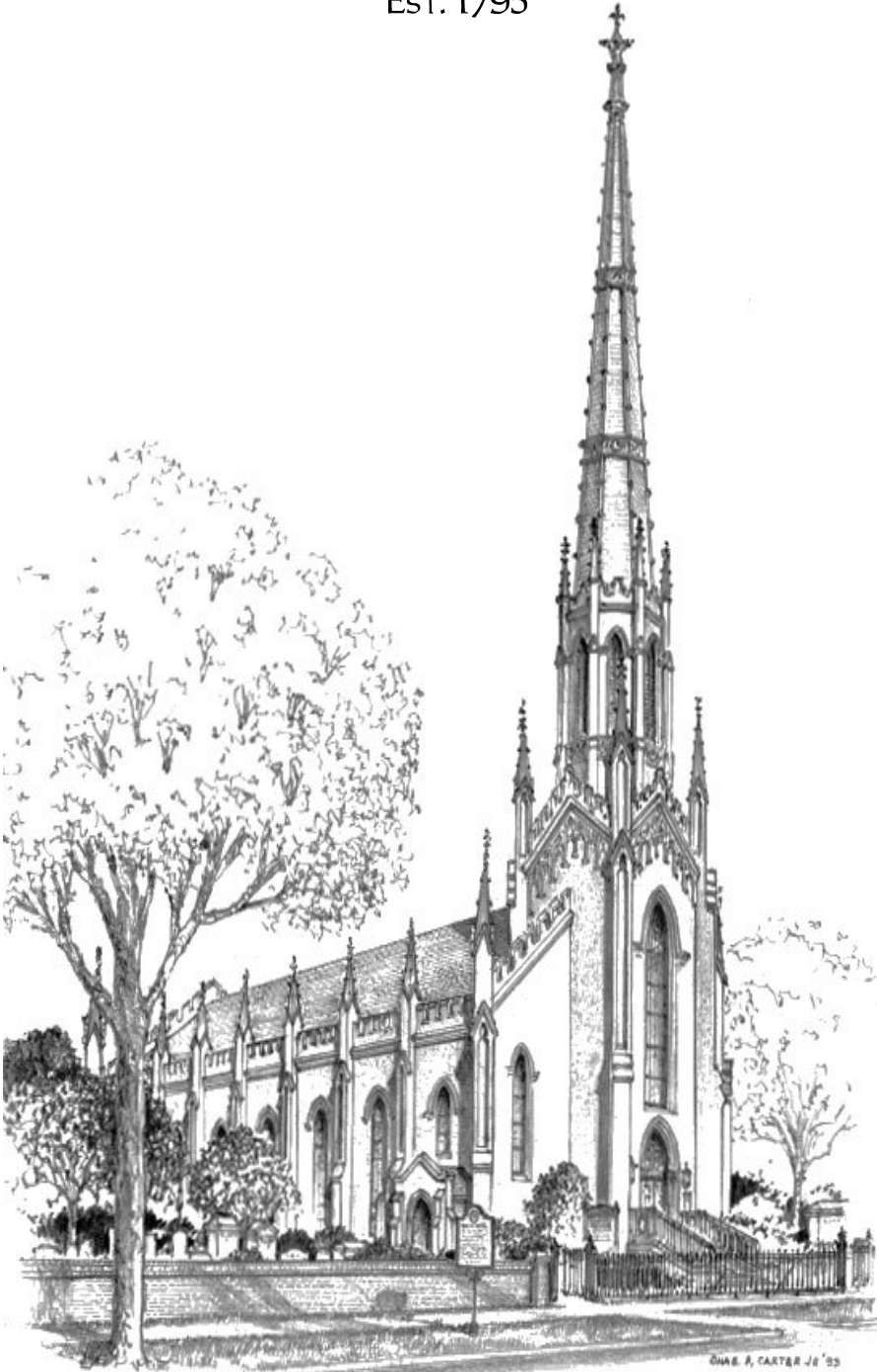
Rev. Bryan Bult, Associate Minister to Seniors  
Rev. David Henderson, Associate Minister of Discipleship  
Rev. Sean Henderson, Associate Minister of Missions  
Rev. David Lauten, Senior Associate Minister of Congregational Care  
Rev. Josh Squires, Associate Minister of Counseling

MINISTRY STAFF

Janet Altman, Seniors Ministry Coordinator  
Marie Louise Bowers, Director of Women’s Ministry  
Sarah Bryan, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry  
Lelia Byars, Assistant Director of Women’s Ministry  
Nate Cesky, Director of College Ministry  
Daniel Cole, Director of Music Ministry  
Barbara Diller, Congregational Nurse  
Holly Edwards, Missions Ministry Coordinator  
Josh Fleming, Director of Young Professionals Ministry  
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Billy Pierce, Director of Youth Ministry  
Roxanna Rojas, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry  
Thomas Russell, Organist and Assistant Director of Music Ministry  
Richard Wolford, Executive Chef  
Joseph Yi, Director of Sports Ministry

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LORD’S DAY, JANUARY 21, 2024  
8:30 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.

“IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, TO SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME,  
O MOST HIGH; TO DECLARE YOUR STEADFAST LOVE IN THE  
MORNING, AND YOUR FAITHFULNESS BY NIGHT.”  
(PSALM 92:1,2)

# **DIVINE WORSHIP**

## **8:30 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.**

*Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

**(Matthew 11:28–30, ESV)**

**PRELUDE: *Prelude in C Major, BWV 531***

**J. S. Bach**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT: *O Bless the Lord, My Soul***

**ST. MICHAEL**

**O bless the Lord, my soul;  
Let all within me join,  
And aid my tongue to bless his name,  
Whose favors are divine.**

**'Tis he forgives your sins,  
'Tis he relieves your pain,  
'Tis he that heals your sicknesses  
And makes you young again.**

**He crowns your life with love**

**When ransomed from the grave;  
He that redeemed my soul from hell  
Has sovereign pow'r to save.**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

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

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

**Praise him for his grace and favor  
to his people in distress.  
Praise him, still the same as ever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,  
glorious in his faithfulness!**

**Fatherlike he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows.  
In his hand he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,  
widely yet his mercy flows!**

**Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish,**

**blows the wind and it is gone;  
But while mortals rise and perish,  
God endures unchanging on.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,  
praise the High Eternal One.**

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

## **INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, which 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.**

## **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 Ghost; 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 on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, binding all the church as one! As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## **OFFERTORY: *Supper of Thanksgiving***

**Josh Bauder**

**For the bread and for the wine,  
For the pledge that seals Him mine,  
For the words of love Divine,  
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.**

**For the body and the blood,  
For the more than angel's food,  
For the boundless grace of God,  
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.**

**For the feast of love and peace,  
Bidding all our sorrows cease,**

**Earnest of the kingdom's bliss,  
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.**

**For the paschal lamb here giv'n,  
For the loaf without the leav'n,  
For the manna dropt from heav'n,  
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.**

**Only bread and only wine,  
Yet to faith the solemn sign  
Of heav'nly and Divine!  
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.**

**For the words that turn our eye  
To cross of Calvary,  
Bidding us in faith draw nigh,  
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.**

**For the words that tell of home,  
Pointing us beyond the tomb,  
"Do ye this until I come,"  
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.**

**For the coming, here foreshow,  
For that day to man unknown,  
For the glory and the throne,  
We give Thee thanks, O Lord.**

## **DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**



**Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

### **SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**John 1:14-18**

**And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John bore witness about him, and cried out, “This was he of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.’”) For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.**

**SERMON:  
“Cur Deus Homo?”**

**Dr. Neil Stewart**

## **PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD**

**HYMN: *Come to the Waters***

**Come to the waters, whoever is thirsty;  
drink from the Fountain that never runs dry.**



**Jesus, the Living One, offers you mercy,  
life more abundant in boundless supply.**

**Come to the River that flows thro' the city,  
forth from the throne of the Father and Son.  
Jesus the Savior says, "Come and drink deeply."  
Drink from the pure, inexhaustible One.**

**Come to the Fountain without any money;  
buy what is given without any cost.  
Jesus, the gracious One, welcomes the weary;  
Jesus, the selfless One, died for the lost.**

**Come to the Well of unmerited favor;  
stretch out your hand; fill your cup to the brim.  
Jesus is such a compassionate Savior.  
Draw from the grace that flows freely from Him.**

**Come to the Savior, the God of salvation.  
God has provided an end to sin's strife.  
Why will you suffer the Law's condemnation?  
Take the free gift of the water of life.**

## **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **THE INVITATION**

## **READING OF THE LAW:**

**Minister: God spoke all these words saying, I am the  
Lord thy God, which has brought thee out of the land of  
Egypt, out of the house of bondage.**

**All:**

**I. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.**

**II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.**

**III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.**

**IV. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

**V. Honour thy father and thy mother.**

**VI. Thou shalt not kill.**

**VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.**

**VIII. Thou shalt not steal.**

**IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness.**

**X. Thou shalt not covet.**

**(Exodus 20:1-17,**

**KJV)**

**Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.**

**(Matthew 22:37-40, KJV)**

**THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

**THE COMMUNION WITH OUR LORD JESUS**

# **CHRIST AND HIS PEOPLE**

## **THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**HYMN:** *What Wondrous Love is This*

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!**

**To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing!**

## **BENEDICTION**

## **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

**And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;  
And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing and joyful be,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,**

**And through eternity I'll sing on!**

**POSTLUDE: *Fugue in C Major, BWV 531***

**J. S. Bach**