



# Purity Presbyterian Church

135 Wylie Street, Chester, SC 29706

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 31, 2010

11:00 am

Dr. William M. Johnson, Interim Pastor

Mrs. Faye A. Daniel, Director of Music/Organist

### ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

*Gathering: We informally greet one another and prepare for worship.  
Visitors are asked to sign the visitor's book in the back of the church.*

### CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

"Prelude on 'Lasst Uns Erfreuen' "

Russell Schulz-Widmar

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We have been called the salt of the earth.

**People: *Let us remain hidden and distinctive.***

Leader: We have been called the light of the world.

**People: *Let us shine brightly in the midst of pain and confusion.***

Leader: We have been called a city set on a hill.

**People: *Let us like Jerusalem, lift our gates, lift our hearts, lift our voices in worship of God, the Savior of the World.***

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

*Eternal God, we gather as your people to worship you. By your Spirit break the bonds that hold our minds captive to the petty concerns of our lives that we may know the freedom of new possibilities. Quiet the din of our distracted spirits that we may hear your gentle voice calling us. Transform our very lives that we may go forth from this hour with deeper commitment to doing your will, with a firm assurance of your presence. Amen.*

**\*HYMN No. 229**

"From all That Dwell Below the Skies"

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Compassionate God, we confess the times when we have closed ourselves to your love. We cling to our fear, our guilt, our self-hatred, rather than let ourselves be warmed and healed by your love. We close our hearts, refusing to be channels of your love to others. We are frozen like winter ice and snow. Forgive us, and give us courage to trust you and to let your love flow through us to others, through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.*

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**KYRIE**

"Lord Have Mercy Upon Us"

#574

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

"Glory Be to the Father"

#579

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**FIRST LESSON** (Pew Bible page 201)

Colossians 3:12-17

**ANTHEM**

"Now the Silence Now the Peace"

Gerald Near

**SECOND LESSON** (Pew Bible page 71, 72)

Luke 10:25-37

**SERMON**

"By The Side of the Road"

Rev. Johnson

**RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

"The Apostles' Creed"  
(Traditional)

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**\*HYMN No. 415**

"Come, Labor On"

Ora Labora

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Land of Rest" Gerald Near  
from "Suite for Organ"

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" #592

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

### GO IN GOD'S NAME

\*HYMN No. 420 "God of Grace and God of Glory" Cwm Rhondda

## \*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE "Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace" Annabel M. Buchanan

\*POSTLUDE "Postlude on 'Cwm Rhondda' " Marc Jordan

*\*Please stand if able*

*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of Philip Benfield by his family.*

### Mission Statement

*Purity Presbyterian Church has the mission to glorify  
Jesus Christ through corporate worship, prayer,  
stewardship, study, faith, outreach, witnessing with  
our church family and the community.*



**MORE THAN 20 YEARS AGO**, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: **"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."** Since that day, more than \$60 million has been raised for local charities across the country through the Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming Super Bowl weekend into the nation's youth-led weekend of giving and serving. Be part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need. Please give generously on Super Bowl Sunday, February 7th. Every dollar donated goes to The Chester Ministerial Association's Food Pantry, our 2010 Souper Bowl for Caring Charity of choice.



Providence Presbytery

# HAITI

Earthquake Relief

*"They also serve who stand and wait..."* --John Milton

**WHAT CAN PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERY DO IN HAITI?** Many churches and individuals are longing to rush in to save the day, yet Haiti's relief needs are complex and long term, and help of many different kinds will be needed at different stages. Right now the churches of Chester, Kershaw, Lancaster, Union and York counties are asked to stand in the "GAP"...

**G**IVE to the Presbyterian Disaster Relief for Haiti online at [www.pcusa.org](http://www.pcusa.org). Typing "DR000064" in the search box will take you to the Haiti contribution page. You can also mark your donation with the donation number above and send to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

**A**CT: Providence Presbytery has been asked to:

- 1) Compile a list of names of medical personnel who might be able to make a one week commitment to work in Haiti, either in May or September of this year. Please call Fred Powell (803-581-0448) if you are willing to go help.
- 2) Collect the following items for making Hygiene Kits and bring to the Presbytery Office in Rock Hill on Thursday, MARCH 4 at 6:30 pm: hand towels (16"x28" size only), washcloths, wide tooth combs, nail clippers (no metal files or emery boards), wrapped toothbrushes (no toothpaste) wrapped bath size bars of soap, Band-Aids, boxes of one-gallon plastic bags.

**P**RAY for our Haitian sisters and brothers and for the relief workers from all over the world who are risking their lives to help.

<b>Lay Liturgists - February 2010</b>	<b>Ushers - February 2010</b>
<p><b>Feb. 7 - Scouts</b></p> <p><b>Feb. 14 - Deedie Guza</b></p> <p><b>Feb. 21 - Tyre Lee</b></p> <p><b>Feb. 28 - Jim Smith</b></p>	<p><b>Paul Caldwell</b></p> <p><b>Hugh Stone</b></p> <p><b>Bill Shannon</b></p>

The Fraser Family, Noppy, Sam, John, and Catherine were recognized yesterday as Chester County's 2010 Ambassador's for Economic Development at ceremonies at the State House. Each year, counties recognize those individuals who have helped promote and/or develop their counties. The Frasers' were instrumental in the location of Chester's York Tech and the adjoining business park.