

* **THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (Hymn 592)

***THE HYMN 223** *O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer*

* **THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **THE CHORAL RESPONSE** *Abide with Me* arr. Martin



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- Children's Worship Volunteers: Cathy Schreiber and Carolyn Morton
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Morningside Presbyterian Church Staff

- Joanna M. Adams.....Pastor
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- Sherrill Terry.....Office Administrator
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**WORSHIP FEBRUARY 10, 2008
1ST SUNDAY IN LENT**

Thank you for making sure your cell phone is off during the worship hour.

THE PRELUDE Walter Huff

* **THE CALL TO WORSHIP** Chris Henry

Leader: This is the season of Lent, a season to remember the sufferings of Jesus Christ.

People: A season to remember that to follow Christ is to take up our crosses and to be servants of all.

Leader: A season to remember Jesus' question, "Are you able to drink the cup that I drink?"

People: A season to ask ourselves how we, like Simon the Cyrene, might help to bear the cross.

Leader: A season to give sacrificially to others.

All: A season to watch and wait with Christ, that we may have courage in the hour of testing. Let us worship God.

* **THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 356** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

A WORD WITH CHILDREN Cathy Schreiber

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

**(The asterisk indicates parts of the worship when the congregation is invited to stand as they are able.)*

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth.

Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE *(for examination of conscience and personal prayers of confession)*

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*** THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (Hymn 280)

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*(Children are always welcome in the Sanctuary during worship. Should you find that your child grows restless, there is child care available. Infants are cared for in the Nursery in Room 105, toddlers 18 months through two years in Room 112. Children ages 2-11 are invited to leave after the **Passing of the Peace** for special classes. Preschoolers are in Room 204 and K-5th grade are in Room 201.)*

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(Visitors and members are invited to sign the blue friendship register pad and pass it down the pew.)

THE MINUTE MESSAGE

Gail Kitchens

THE FIRST LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11 (page 3 in the Pew Bible)

THE ANTHEM

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now Byrd

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now. Our hearts in true devotion bow, Thy spirit send with grace divine. O may Thy truth within us shine. Unseal our lips to sing Thy praise, our souls to Thee in worship raise. Make strong our faith, increase our light. O may we know Thy name aright.

THE SECOND LESSON

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 (page 2 in the Pew Bible)

THE SERMON

People Want to Know - A Sermon Series for Lent
III. "Why Not Eat the Apple?" Joanna Adams
"...but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." Genesis 2:17

* THE HYMN 396

O for a Closer Walk with God

* THE CREED

Brief Statement of Faith-Presbyterian Church (USA)

We trust in Jesus Christ,

fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,

and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,

vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil,

delivering us from death to life eternal.

THE 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.

THE OFFERTORY

Chorale

Mathias