THE APOSTLES' SHIELDS

Placed around the sanctuary at Second Presbyterian, are the shields of the Twelve Apostles originally called by Jesus, excluding Judas Iscariot (who was replaced by Matthias). The shields of Paul, called by Christ on the road to Damascus, and Stephen, the first Christian martyr, are included. As a crowd of witnesses, they surround the worshippers in this place which is a part of the "one holy and apostolic church."



STEPHEN's shield shows a palm tree which is a symbol of the resurrection. In Christian symbology, the palm tree also represents martyrdom, as well as victory. joy and prosperity. Palm leaves signify the rictorious Christian's reward when this life is over, and also represent winners in contests of strength and skill.



ANDREW'S most common symbol is the cross Saltire, the shape of an X, on which he is believed to have been martyred. It is said that while Andrew was dying, he continued to preach to those around him. On the shield, two fish make the cross Saltire and lie atop an anchor, signifying his early livelihood and his becoming a "fisher of men.'



JOHN, a fisherman, brother of James the Greater, was known as "the disciple whom Jesus loved." He was a close companion to Jesus from the beginning of His ministry. There were many attempts on John's life, but none successful; he was the only apostle to die a natural death. His shield displays a serpent and a sword, recalling the reality of man's sin and the power of the Sword of the Spirit over sin.



BARTHOLOMEW is believed by some to be the same as Nathanael. According to tradition. Bartholomew won King Polymus of Armedia for Christianity, but so angered the king's brother in doing so that he had him flayed, crucified head down, and then beheaded. His shield displays three flaying



Tradition is that THOMAS was selected to evangelize in India where he preached and was himself martyred by stoning Thomas built churches by his own hands efforts, and often his shield will display a carpenter's square. This shield for him shows three stones and a leather girdle, the stones symbolizing the manner of his death. The belt signifies the tying up of loose, flowing garments when a man of biblical times prepared for vigorous action.



SIMON, also called Simon the Zealot, was frequently the companion of Jude on onary journeys. His shield displays a battle-axe, which indicates the manner in which he is thought to have met a martyr's death - either by beheading or being sawn asunder.



MATTHIAS, chosen to replace Judas Iscariot (Acts 1:15-26), was one of Jesus' original disciples, having been with Him since the baptism by John the Baptist. He served as a missionary in Judea. He is thought to have been either stoned or beheaded for preaching the Gospel. His shield bears a battle-axe upon an open Bible.





about the power to "bind" and "loose" or earth and in heaven. (Matthew 16:15-20). JAMES (also called James the Greater), the son of Zebedee and brother of John, was the first to be martyred. King Herod had him beheaded around A.D. 44. In ages past scallop shells were worn by persons on a pilgrimage - a journey to a holy place. The nbol seen on the shield for James is the

scallop shell, a sign of pilgrimage by sea.

The cross on Philip's shield may refer to the

power of the cross over idols, or to Philip's

manner of death, traditionally thought to

be crucifixion. His is the Budded Cross, the

ends of which are in trefoil form symbolizing

presence with Jesus at the feeding of the five

the Trinity. The loaves of bread signify his

It is believed that PETER died a martyr in

Rome by crucifixion on an inverted cross

because he felt he was not worthy to die

on a cross in the same position as his Lord.

His shield shows an inverted cross and two

keys saltire, or crossed - the "keys to the

Kingdom." The crossed keys also refer to

Peter's confession and the words of Jesus





Tradition teaches that MATTHEW, the tax collector who became a disciple, went to Ethiopia after preaching to the Jews in Palestine. He was martyred there, crucified on a tau cross (shaped like a T) and beheaded His shield displays three money bags, a ymbol of his job as tax collector.



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then stoned. Near death, he rose to ask forgiveness for his enemies, collapsed, and as ultimately sawn asunder. Sometimes his shield will display a vertical saw, a club or bat or stones. Here, however, it is shown with a windmill, since he is believed to have been a missionary to the low countries of Europe JUDE, referred to also as Thaddeus and as

udas, son of James, traveled with Simon the Zealot on missionary journeys. The manner of Jude's death is unknown, but nartyrdom is the accepted belief. His shield, suggesting his journeys, bears a sailboat

PAUL is one of the best known of the apostles Paul's shield has on it an open Bible, and on top of the Bible, a sword. Sometimes the sword has on it the words "Gladius Spiritus," or, Sword of the Spirit. "Take the helmet of salvation and the Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God." (Ephesians 6:10-18, especially v.17).

The Apostles' Shields, like the Covenant Symbols, were expertly crafted by J. Wippell & Co. Ltd., a 200-year-old church furnishing and supply company based in England. The design ideas for these symbols, as well as the shields, were finalized by Gerald Miller, the director of Wippell. Bryan Marshall, our U.S. representative for Wippell, has worked diligently with us for the addition of our liturgical paraments, shields and symbols.

CHANCEL CHOIR

Gabriel C. Statom, Director Christy Young, Assistant Director Lenora Morrow, Accompanist

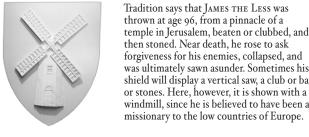
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ABOUT EVENSONG

The service generally opens with a responsorial praise of God. Then the Magnificat (Mary's song from Luke 1:46-55) is often sung, followed by Nunc Dimittis (Simeon's Song from Luke 2: 28-30) and a Psalm, such as Psalm 150. A hymn is sung and a prayer of response is said. The worshipers are then sent forth to serve.

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Evensong, "evening song," is a service that thanks God for the day just past and asks His protection during the coming night. It is a quiet, reflective set of prayers, songs and psalms, asking the worshiper to be still in spirit.

The tradition of Evensong comes from Thomas Cranmer's work of combining the evening prayers of Vespers and Compline into one act of worship as found in the Book of Common Prayer which was put together in England after the



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Evensong

Order for the Public Worship of God

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit The Lord is my light and salvation; whom shall I fear? One thing I ask of the LORD, For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his han this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD For behold, from henceforth: all generations For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD And his mercy is on them that fear him: throu and to seek him in his temple. –Psalm 27:1, 4 He hath showed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination WORD ON WORSHIP Gabriel C. Statom He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek. OPENING VOLUNTARY: "Psalm-Prelude II, Op. 32, No 2" by Herbert Howells He hath filled the hungry with good things: based on Psalm 37:11 'but the meek shall inherit the land and the rich he hath sent empty away. and delight themselves in abundant peace.' He remembering his mercy hath holpen (help as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham a OPENING SENTENCES AND PRAYER FOR LIGHT Sanders L. Willson Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever sh Thanks be to God. Nunc Dimittis text from Luke 2:28-30 Almighty God, we give you thanks for surrounding us, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart as daylight fades, with the brightness of the vesper light; For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, and as we implore you of your great mercy that, Which thou hast prepared before the face as you enfold us with the radiance of this light, To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. so you would shine into our hearts the brightness of your Holy Spirit; Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. INTROIT: "I Was Glad" text from Psalm 122 Music by Hubert Parry † The Apostles' Creed I was glad when they said unto me 'We will go into the house of the Lord.' I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself. and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee. Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Peace be within thy walls and plenteous within thy palaces. born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, Confession of Sin was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell: Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us pray in silence, The third day He rose again from the dead; and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. (silence is kept) He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; Most merciful God, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead; we confess that we have sinned against you I believe in the Holy Ghost; in thought, word, and deed, the holy catholic church; by what we have done, the communion of saints; and by what we have left undone. the forgiveness of sins; We have not loved you with our whole heart; the resurrection of the body; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. and the life everlasting. Amen. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, † The Prayers have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, The Lord be with you. and walk in your ways, And also with you. to the glory of your Name. Amen. Let us pray. Music by Charles Stanford The Psalter Lesson: Psalm 150 Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done O praise God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power. on earth as it is in heaven. Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness. Give us this day our daily bread.

THE GOSPEL LESSON:

"MAGNIFICAT"

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Praise him in his nohless: praise him according to his power. Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals. Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.

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.

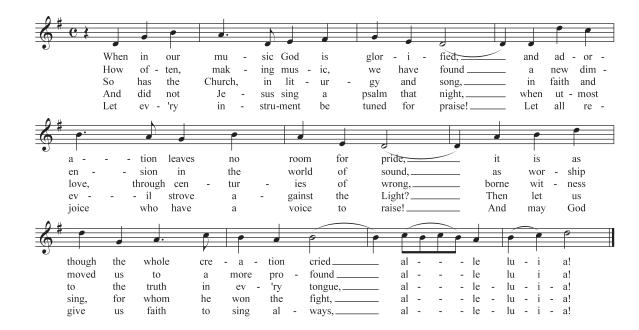
text from John 2:1-11 – The Wedding at Cana		Show us your mercy, O Lord;	
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text from Luke 1:46-55 – The Song of Mary hify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. ed: the lowliness of his handmaiden. Henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed. hty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name. In them that fear him: throughout all generations. rength with his arm: the proud in the imagination of their hearts. the mighty from their seat:		<pre>let your people sing with joy. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; for only in you can we live in safety. Lord, keep this nation under your care; and guide us in the way of justice and truth. Let your way be known upon earth; Your saving health among all nations.</pre>	
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text from Luke 2:28-30 – The Song of Simeon thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word. ve seen thy salvation, prepared before the face of all people; ghten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.	Music by Charles Stanford	If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, That He may abide with you forever; E'en the Spirit of truth. And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.	

† Closing Hymn: "When in Our Music God Is Glorified"

I will not leave you comfortless.

I will come to you.

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Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude

† Benediction

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POSTLUDE: "Flourish for an Occassion"

William H. Harris

† Indicates congregation standing