

First Presbyterian Church

Organized May 25, 1822

*With Christ as our Savior and Guide,
We seek to know God's love and share it
With each other, our community, and the world.
We invite you to join us in this journey
of discipleship!*

Rev. Dr. Gregory L. Glover, Pastor

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "Trumpet Voluntary"
John Stanley

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE AND GREETING
The LORD be with you.
And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!
Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!
Jesus said: I am the good shepherd.
Christ lays down his life for the sheep.
Let us worship God.

*HYMN #275 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. We speak of your great love, but our own hearts condemn us. We express concern for the poor, but our own actions betray us. Forgive us, God of grace. Good shepherd, restore our souls and lead us in right paths for your name's sake; through Jesus

Christ our Lord.

Now hear our silent, personal prayers of confession.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn #581

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Daniel 4:1-18 (p. 720)

ANTHEM "The Majesty and Glory of Your Name"
Tom Fetteke

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Daniel 4:19-37 (p. 721)

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

SERMON "King of Beasts!"
(Unreasonable Boss, part 2)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #619 "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Theological Declaration of Barmen* (8.17-8.18)

The Christian Church is the congregation of the brothers and sisters in which Jesus Christ acts presently as the Lord in Word and Sacrament through the Holy Spirit. As the Church of pardoned sinners, it has to testify in the midst of a sinful world, with its faith as with its obedience, with its message as with

its order, that it is solely his property, and that it lives and wants to live solely from his comfort and from his direction in the expectation of his appearance.

We reject the false doctrine, as though the church were permitted to abandon the form of its message and order to its own pleasure or to changes in prevailing ideological and political convictions.

MINUTE FOR MISSION Chi Alpha Ministries
Jonathan Miller

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #2 "Come Thou Almighty King"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Hyfrydol"
Ralph Vaughan Williams

WORSHIP NOTES

Mark Banasiak is today's liturgist.
Jack Neubauer is today's audio-visual specialist.
Mark Ring is Director of Music/Organist.
Kenneth Williams, Accompanist.
*Please stand if you are able.
**Children's Worship is in the Chapel outside of the church office.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, April 22

9:00am Youth and Adult Sunday School Classes

Young Children's Music (until 9:15)

4:00pm Middle School & High School youth meetings

6:00pm Session

Monday, April 23

5:00pm Theology on Tap

6:00pm PW Dinner

Tuesday, April 24

5:00pm Yoga

Wednesday, April 25

10:00am Bible Study

6:00pm Greek Class

6:00pm Handbells

6:30pm Senior Highs @ Chick Fil A

7:00pm Adult Choir

Thursday, April 26

8:30am Yoga

9:00am Staff Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CARE is asking people to contact them if they would like homebound communion.

Homebound communion takes place quarterly. If you would like communion or know of someone who needs to be contacted about this service, please call Charlotte Graves (931) 624-6668 or Mary Jo Patterson (931) 801-4723.

The **MISSIONS COMMITTEE**, will be hosting an **ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR** for members and friends on **Wednesday, May 9, @ 5:00pm** in the Chapel. The seminar will last about an hour, with light appetizers served. Presenting information will be Jack Turner, Cathy McLeod, and John Crow. Please sign up on the bulletin board or call Monica at 645-6551.

SAVE THE DATE! Our First Presbyterian Church Gala will be held at the Customs House Museum on Thursday, May 17 from 5:30-8:00pm. This Gala is a celebration kick-off for our Bicentennial Capital Campaign. Childcare and parking will be available at the church. The church bus will shuttle adults from our parking lot to the museum and back to the church lot at the end of the evening. To prepare for the children a reservation must be made with Dianne York (pdslyork@gmail.com). The Gala is just the beginning of our celebrations as we "Reflect, Rejoice and Renew" toward 2022!



The Gala is free of charge.

SAVE THE DATE! VBS 2018 has been set for **July 9-13**. The theme this year is **Rolling River Rampage**. Mark your calendars, tell your friends, and come join us! **Training day for volunteers is Saturday, May 19 from 10:30-12noon. Please contact Jeanne Salyer or Dianne York if you are interested.**

We are again partnering with **PROJECT TRANSFORMATION** this summer. This was the Summer reading/mentoring program run by college interns through the Methodist church. Our week of reading will be **June 25-28, Monday-Thursday**. Like last year you may participate one, two, three or all 4 days. We are also responsible for the three Thursday night meals for the 9 interns housed at APSU. Please let Kris Foust (931-216-7801 or hedstromkris3@gmail.com) know how you would like to participate. **We would like to recruit more men, the boys in the program really need good male role models.** It will likely be the most rewarding volunteer opportunity you will experience all summer. Thank you.

The **WORSHIP COMMITTEE** is asking everyone to list their favorite hymns on the bulletin "tear off" section. If you would note the page number in the Hymnal, that would be helpful. As many hymns as possible will be sung in June.

PROFESSIONAL WOMEN would like your suggestions for program topics. If there is a topic you are very interested in, please email your suggestion to Marcia at mwill42168@aol.com or let Monica know. Thank you.

MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate

10:00am Service

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Member(s)

Visitor(s)

Members please indicate any changes if info.

Are You Interested In (circle as many as you like):

Fellowship Sunday School Small Group Study

Meet with Pastor Baptism Membership Choir

Other: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

Favorite Hymns: _____

LOOKING AHEAD:

May 6 Youth Sunday

May 9 Estate Planning Class (see announcement)

May 13 Mother's Day

May 17 FPC Gala (see announcement)

May 19 VBS Training (see announcement)

May 20 Session

May 24 CMCSS Graduations begin 

May 28 Memorial Day Office Closed

The **SERVICE COMMITTEE** extends a big thank you to those who decided to volunteer and work with those in need!
THANK YOU!