



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

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 7, 2019

Celebrating the Sacrament of Communion

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE "O Sacred Head"
J.S. Bach

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to share in the gospel of Christ:
to lean on the story of God's great love.
We gather to answer the call of Christ:
to walk the road that leads to a cross.
We gather to be the body of Christ:
to serve the one who is our Head.
We gather to follow the way of Christ:
to sing praises to our God!
Let us worship God together!

*HYMN #509 "All Who Hunger"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**As we journey with Christ toward Jerusalem, we find
ourselves wanting to turn away: to choose glory over
suffering, success over justice, comfort over peace,**

**independence over discipleship. We want to believe that we
will be loyal to Christ until the end, but we fear that we will
join the crowd in shouting, "Crucify." Forgive us, God of
life, of all the ways we fail to answer your call. Bind us in
your love, free us by your grace, and enliven us by your
Spirit to follow Christ once more.**

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 Psalm 126 (p. 499)

ANTHEM "Ave Verum Corpus" (Hail, Body of Christ)
Edward Elgar

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

INTERLUDE

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 12: 1-8 (p. 874)

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

SERMON "Tears to Harvest"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #177 "I Will Come to You" (You Are Mine)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed, pg. 35*

**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.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Ave Verum Corpus"
Gerald Near

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy ... who forever sing to the
glory of your name:

Response #552 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven
and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours,
eternal God, now and forever.

Response #601 "Amen"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN #541

“God Be With You”

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

“Litanies”
Jehan Alain

WORSHIP NOTES

Dan Aiken is today's liturgist.

Leong Lee is today's audio-visual specialist.

Mark Ring is Director of Music/Organist.

Matt McNeill, Accompanist.

***Please stand if you are able**

Note on Psalm 126: This is the song to sing on the way to church. Short and to the point, it is a Psalm of praise for deliverance, a song of rejoicing over the fact that God has once again made it possible for his people to assemble together for worship. God's transformation of our circumstances--from slavery to freedom, from sorrow to joy, from want to plenty, from tears to harvest--is so wonderful that we have to pinch ourselves to see if we are dreaming. Those who gather for worship may be remembering events long past--or they may be remembering something that happened as recently as yesterday. The transformation may come suddenly, like a West Texas flood coursing through a wadi after years of drought, or it may come as slowly as the harvest matures, months or years after a farmer patiently sowed the first seed amidst tears and disappointment. (With the latter, we are surely to think of death and burial, especially the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus.) Either way, the long night of suffering has now ended, and our mouths are again filled with laughter, our tongue with shouts of joy. As with all such Psalms, God's faithfulness in the past is reason for faith and hope in the present.

MEET & GREET IN THE CHAPEL Join us for fellowship, coffee and treats in the Chapel every Sunday immediately following worship. Say hello, meet someone new, grab a quick bite and leave through the chapel doors out onto Main street. This is a great opportunity to touch base with each other and meet new members & visitors.

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 14 During the Children's Moment the children will be presenting special music as part of their Palm Sunday skit. ALL children will participate in the Palm Parade.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, April 7

9:00am **Children/Youth/Adult Sunday School Classes**

9:00am **Ebralie Mwizerwa's Documentary**

9:00-9:15am **Children's Music**

2:00pm **Showers of Love** (see announcement)

4-6:00pm **Youth Group Meetings**

Monday, April 8

5:00pm **Theology on Tap** at Don Pablo's on Riverside

Tuesday, April 9

12:30pm **Martha Circle**

2:00pm **Congregational Care Committee**

5:00pm **Yoga**

7:00pm **Night Circle**

Wednesday, April 10

10:00am **Bible Study**

6:00pm **"Beautifully Broken"** (see announcement)

6:00pm **Handbells**

6:30pm **Youth at CFA** on Madison

7:00pm **Adult Choir**

Thursday, April 11

8:30am **Yoga**

Noon **Staff Meeting**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST SUNDAY SHOWERS OF LOVE Today FPC opens its doors to share our facilities so that people who are homeless can have a warm shower in a safe place. Join us at **2pm**, lower level of the AOC/gym to fellowship with some wonderful folks!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN Attention all ladies! Please join us at **6:00pm** on the evening of **Monday, April 22** for the final PW event of the school year! Sign-ups are in the bulletin (tear-off), on the PW bulletin board or through the church office. Please choose one and only one time. Thank you.

MEMORIAL EASTER LILIES The church will purchase Memorial lilies for the Easter Service. Names of those in memory of (or in honor of) along with donors will be listed in the bulletin, **April 21**. All you do is donate to the FPC Memorial Garden Fund and let the church office know your loved one's name. The deadline to have names listed in the bulletin is 1:00pm **Friday, April 12**.

MEMBER/VISITOR INFORMATION CARD

Please complete and place in offering plate

10:00am Service

Name: _____

Member(s) 1st Time Visitor(s) Visitor(s)

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Members indicate if this is a change in information.

I will attend **PW Dinner** I need child care

I am interested in membership, baptism, or a meeting with the pastor (please circle which one(s)).

Other: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

LOOKING AHEAD:

April 14, Palm Sunday/Second Sunday Lunch

April 19, Good Friday No School

April 20, Easter Egg Hunt (see below)

April 21, Easter

April 22, PW Dinner

April 23, New Members/Visitor Dinner

Election Day No School

April 26, Men's Work Trip

May 5, Youth Sunday

May 11, Youth Day Hike

May 12, Mother's Day

May 19, Townhall

May 22, Last Day of School

May 23-25, High School Graduations

May 27, Memorial Day Office Closed

FPC Social Media Links:

Instagram: fpcclarksvilletn

Facebook: @FPCClarksville

Twitter: clarksvillefpc

MISSION COMMITTEE invites you Wednesday evening

April 10 @ 6pm to the showing of the movie "Beautifully Broken" that shares Ebralie Mwizerwa's life story.

EASTER EGG HUNT The Annual Easter Egg hunt will be **Saturday April 20, 3:00 to 4:00pm**, at Jane & Steve Wallace's home, **145 E. Glenwood!** Parents are asked to bring cookies and/or juice to share with everyone.