

## Remember in Prayer:

Mission:

- Danny Sharpe & Hollman Mendoza (Vida Joven Nicaragua)

Trish Chaloux	Jim & Sarah Hornsby	Maggie Joy Selmeski
+Andrew Dalton	*Jackson Jeter	+Wyatt Wilson
David & Kristi Dalton	Bob Johnson	Kathleen Wright
Haskell Fox	+John Lopez	+Clay Yancey
Dr. Mark & Susie	Arcelito Mai	Jenny & John Yeip
Hannis	Tim Price	
Wanda Headrick	+Austin Riggs	
Gay Jenkins Howell	+Anthony Sasscer	

+Military serving stateside. \*Military serving overseas.  
Please remember military and first responders with PTSD.

# First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 19 2026

11:00 a.m.

3rd Sunday of Easter



Greetings

Prelude

Call to Worship (from Psalm 116)

*(One) What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?*

**(Many) I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD;**

*(One) I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.*

**(Many) O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.**

Prayer of Adoration and Praise. . . *through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

\*Hymn "Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!" No. 239

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

**We confess, O Lord, that we have trouble living as fully Eastered people. We manage to live resurrected lives sometimes, but not always, and not nearly enough. The truth and power of Easter do not shine through us.**

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**With your infinite grace, bring Easter to bear on our lives each day and each hour; through Jesus Christ the resurrected one. Amen.**

\*Assurance of Pardon  
\*Passing of the Peace  
\*Response “You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy” No. 437

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Hymn “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” No. 830

Second Reading 1 Peter 1:17-23

Anthem “Alleluia, Praise the Risen King” Lloyd Larson

Gospel Reading Luke 24:13-35

A Moment for the Children and their Friends Greg Cartwright

Sermon “Free Ears” Todd Jenkins

Response to God’s Word  
Prayers of Petition and Intercession

*God of Mercy...*  
**hear our prayer.**

\*Confession of Faith: Apostles’ Creed p. 35

\*Response “Glory Be to the Father” No. 581

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

\*Response “Common Doxology” text at No. 606

Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn “Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded” No. 242

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Thank you Trent Tipton for providing music for today’s worship service.

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Our Sympathies to family and friends in the passing of John DeWit.

*Please see the Prayer list on the back page*

**Sunday, April 19**  
**3rd Sunday of Easter**  
 8:30 a.m. Worship service in Christ Chapel  
 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Pastries (2nd Floor)  
 9:30 a.m. Church School meetings  
 11:00 a.m. In Person Worship in Sanctuary  
 FaceBook live service  
 1:00 p.m. Session Meeting  
 6:05 p.m. Handbell Practice  
 7:00 p.m. Library Class ZOOM meeting

**Monday, April 20**

**Tuesday, April 21**

**Wednesday, April 22**  
 Earth Day  
 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

**Thursday, April 23**  
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
 6:00 p.m. Beer and Hymns

**Friday, April 24**

**Saturday, April 25**  
 4:00 p.m. Dinner Out  
 (C. J. Papadops, Briar Thicket Road)

**Sunday, April 26**  
**4th Sunday of Easter**  
**Youth Sunday**  
 8:30 a.m. Worship service in Christ Chapel  
 9:15 a.m. Coffee & Pastries (2nd Floor)  
 9:30 a.m. Church School meetings  
 11:00 a.m. In Person Worship in Sanctuary  
 FaceBook live service  
 12:00 p.m. Youth Reception (Simon Room)  
 6:05 p.m. Handbell Practice  
 7:00 p.m. Library Class ZOOM meeting

The worship flowers are given  
 to the Glory of God and  
 in memory of John & Evelyn DeWit  
  
 By The Family

**Thank you to those who provide leadership each week!**

**Head Usher:** Jay Oberfeiting  
**Ushers:** Debbie Nycum  
 Jay Oberfeiting  
**A/V:** Aaron Caton  
 William Caton  
 Wyatt Bible  
  
**Lector:** Mike Hartsell  
**Main St. Door**  
**Greeter:** Ann VanBuskirk  
  
**Side Door**  
**Greeter:** Pat Donaldson

**Faith and Grief**

**Tuesday,**  
**April 28, 2026**  
**12:00 noon**  
**Simon Room,**  
**2nd floor**



**Lectionary Readings,**  
**April 26, 2026**  
**4th Sunday of Easter**  
 Acts 2:42-47  
 Psalm 23  
 1 Peter 2:19-25  
 John 10:1-10

**Weekly Budget: \$8,921.00**  
**4/12/26** Offering: \$ 8,282.00  
 Early Worship Service Attendance: 31  
 11:00 In Person Worship Attendance: 76  
 11:00 Online Worship Attendance: 26  
 OGHS Offering: \$ 844.00

**Serving Next Week**  
**April 26, 2026**  
**4th Sunday of Easter**

**Head Usher:** Jay Oberfeiting  
**Ushers:** Debbie Nycum  
 Jay Oberfeiting  
**A/V:** Aaron Caton  
 William Caton  
 Wyatt Bible  
**Lector:** Sally Causey  
**Main St. Door**  
**Greeter:** Joyce Johnson  
**Side Door**  
**Greeter:** Zan Walker  
**Flowers:** Myra Cunningham

**Beer & Hymns**  
**Thursday , April 23, 2026**  
**6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**  
**Old Oak Tap Room**



**Education Opportunities**

**classes meeting by ZOOM. . . .**

Contact the host for an email invitation to sign-in.

**Library Class**

Sunday Mornings @ 9:30am  
Sunday Evenings @ 7pm  
Host: Joyce Johnson  
joycejohn1526@gmail.com

**classes meeting IN PERSON. . .**

**Library Class**

Sunday Mornings @ 9:30 a.m.

**Trinity Class**

Sunday Mornings @ 9:30 a.m.

**Shepherd's Class**

Sunday Mornings @ 10:00 a.m.

**FPC Children and Youth**

Sunday Mornings @ 9:30 a.m.

**Absolute Fellowship**

Sunday Mornings @ 9:30 a.m.

**April Food Bank needs:**  
Oatmeal & Dry Cereal

**Mother's Day Flowers**  
**Sunday, May 10**

The Senior High Youth are selling flowers to be placed in the Sanctuary or Chapel on Mother's Day. You may purchase a pink or white carnation for \$4.00 each in honor or memory of your mother or special lady. Please order your flowers by Monday, May 4. Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church. You may give your check and order directly to Ann VanBuskirk, drop it in the offering plate or mail your order form with check to First Presbyterian Church.

I would like to request carnations for the following:

In honor / memory of: (Circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Pink\_\_\_\_\_ or White\_\_\_\_\_

Chapel\_\_\_\_\_ or Sanctuary \_\_\_\_\_

In honor / memory of: (Circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_

By:\_\_\_\_\_

Pink\_\_\_\_\_ or White\_\_\_\_\_

Chapel\_\_\_\_\_ or Sanctuary \_\_\_\_\_

**Please take your flower(s) with you after the service on May 10.**

**Important dates:**

- May 6 Pasta Party (Montreat Fundraiser)
- May 7 National Day of Prayer
- May 13 PW Gathering
- July 26 Church Picnic
- October 25 PW Baked Potato Bar

**CIAO!!!**  
**IT'S A PASTA PARTY**  
**Montreat Fundraiser**

**WHEN:** May 6, 2026 @ 5:30 p.m.  
**WHAT:** Salad, Pasta, Dessert  
**COST:** Donation Only

**You Are Invited**

A PW Gathering for all women in the church is planned for Wednesday, May 13, from 5 to 7pm in the Simon Room. You are asked to bring a sweet or savory dish. The meat, drinks, and a guest speaker will be provided. In order to know how many to prepare for, please RSVP to the church office before noon on May 8. Mark your calendar and plan to join us for a fun evening and great fellowship!