

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 24, 2022

THE CHURCH GATHERS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

“The Celebration of Life”

G. Davidson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS – One Great Hour of Sharing

Susan Pearson

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Henry Klar, Liturgist

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

People: For God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: May the gates of righteousness open before us,

People: That we may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

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People: For God's steadfast love endures forever.

*HYMN – (see insert)

“Thine Is the Glory”

G.F. Handel

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen. (Silent Confession).

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Leader: Friends, hear and believe the gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*Joyful Response #43

“Glory Be To The Father”

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: As God in Christ forgives us, let us forgive one another.
The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH OFFERINGS AND PRAISE

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Redeemed"

W. Barnett/W.J. Kirkpatrick

***DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

KID'S CHURCH (5th grade and younger)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING:

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

ANTHEM

"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"

J. Martin

SECOND READING:

John 20:19-31

SERMON

"Thomas and Co."

Dr. Walker

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostles' Creed*)

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; 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.

***HYMN #243**

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Bridges/Thring/Elvey

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

"Postlude in C"

M. Thomas/E. Grieg

(*) *We stand as we are able.*

*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of Kate Jeter
by Rosalind & Jimmy Jeter and Emily & Griffin Evans.*

Announcements

Sunday, April 24 after church CORNERSTONE'S TRIP TO SEE "9-5"

Tuesday, April 26 at 6 p.m. SESSION MEETING

Wednesday, April 27 at 5:30 p.m. WATCH SUPPER

Thursday, April 28 at 11 a.m. CORNERSTONES LUNCH ON THE ROAD-TIFTON

Friday, April 29- Sunday, May 1 YOUNG FAMILY RETREAT

Sunday, May 1 at 8:30 a.m. MEN'S BREAKFAST

Sunday, May 1 at 5 p.m. PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BIRTHDAY GATHERING

Monday, May 2 at 10 a.m. PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 4 at 5:30 p.m. WATCH SUPPER

Sunday, May 8 at 8:30 a.m. DEACON'S MEETING

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wednesday, May 18 at 5:30 p.m. FINAL WATCH SUPPER & YOUTH AUCTION!!

June 8-10 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL *sign up by June 1st*

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING (OGHS) - SPECIAL OFFERING

Collecting throughout the month of April

Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP) receives 36% of the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. In 2020 PHP gave 131 grants totaling nearly \$1 million, impacting 20 countries, including the United States. This included 46 COVID grants that were provided to congregations to address emergency needs at the beginning of the pandemic. Here are samples of what PHP has done in 2020.

*Over 3 million pounds of food distributed across the U.S.

*106 gardens and green houses were created for schools, families, & communities

*Over 30,000 masks and other PPE distributed

*51 Sewing machines distributed to women-headed households in Somalia & Yemen

*40 water pumps, 2 cisterns, 1 borewell & 1 sprinkler irrigation system

If we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!

Three Ways to Give: *Write separate check to First Presbyterian and put OGHS on memo line

*On line at pcusa.org/give-oghs *Text OGHS to 91999

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEACON OF THE MONTH: Karen Carver

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Melody Jenkins

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BIRTHDAY GATHERING

Sunday, May 1st at 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

ALL women of the church are urged to attend the annual birthday celebration. Bring your favorite side dish or salad. An entrée of hot chicken salad and bread will be provided and, of course, birthday cake and ice cream will be served. Beneficiary of this year's Birthday Offering will be Crossroads for Her. Linda Berl will be sharing the exciting news about this new mission in our community. This is the once-a-year gathering of ALL the women of our congregation. Please come and urge others to join you. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute to the offering, checks can be made payable to Presbyterian Women and marked "Birthday Offering."

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN MEN'S BREAKFAST

When: Sunday, May 1

Where: Fellowship Hall Presbyterian Church

Time: 8:30 AM

All Men All Ages are welcomed to attend

HELPING HANDS BOX: HOPE HOUSE MOMMY MALL

A new quarter has begun and it is time to change the mission we support through the Helping Hands Box in the Fellowship Hall. We will be collecting baby goods for the new moms to purchase at Hope House with the "Mommy Money" and "Daddy Dollars" they earn in parenting classes, Bible studies, and attending church. Currently the biggest need is for clothes, from newborn to 4T size (some of the children are pretty large by age three at the time their moms finish the classes). Training pants are also needed as well as baby shampoo. Another need is for volunteers to work with women in online parenting classes. These have recently been started and 20 new moms and dads have signed up.

Please make your reservation for WATCH SUPPER

MENU for APRIL 27, 2022

REGULAR: Pork Loin, Raisin Sauce, Brown Rice, Butter Beans, Peach Bake, Rolls, Strawberry Romaine Salad

DIET: Baked Chicken, Steamed Vegetables, Salad Bar

CHLDREN: Hot Dogs, Fries

DESSERTS: German Chocolate Pie, Banana Cream Pie, Cookies, Ice Cream

Name/Family: _____

Permanent Reservation: _____ This week only: _____

How many? Regular _____ Diet: _____ Children: _____