

# Service for the Lord's Day

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

*Kindly silence your cell phones and electronic devices*

## Gathering for Worship

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Jesus! The Very Thought of You* by J. B. Dykes

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen, indeed!**

Leader: Please pass the peace of Christ with one another.

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Let There Be Peace**  
*(See inside front of hymnal)*

## Preparation to Hear the Word

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The peace of God is with us.

People: **Christ Jesus stands among us.**

Leader: By the power of the Holy Spirit we have seen the risen Lord.

People: **Through the work of the Spirit, we walk by faith.**

All: **Come, let us worship the Risen Christ!**

✦ HYMN #399 *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight* Dunlap's Creek

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You have shown yourself to us, O God, by Word and Spirit, with signs and wonders, in flesh and blood, yet we still struggle to believe the Good News of Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us; forgive us. Enter into our lives and cast out our fear so that we may come to trust in you and have life in Jesus' name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SUNG PRAYER

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✦ GLORIA PATRI

## Proclamation of the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 John 1: 1-7 *Pew Bible pg. 1898*

ANTHEM *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* arr. By Mark Hayes  
*Baritone Soloist: Richard Barnes*

*I am weak, but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk (let me walk) close to Thee.*

*(chorus)*

*Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee; Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

*Through this world of toil and snares, If I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burdens share? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.*

*(repeat chorus)*

*When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;  
Guide me gently, safely o'er to that shining kingdom shore.*

*(repeat chorus)*

GOSPEL READING John 20:19-31 *Pew Bible pg. 1686*

SERMON "Longing to Believe" *Rev. Susan Takis*

## Responding to the Word

✦ HYMN #316 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* Trentham

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* *(See inside front of hymnal)*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)

OFFERING

Offertory *Give of Your Best to the Master* arr. by Mrs. C. Barnard

✦ Doxology

✦ Prayer of Dedication

## Sending Forth to Serve

✦ HYMN #118 *The Day of Resurrection!* Lancashire

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*God will take care of you, thru every day, o'er all the way  
God will take care of you; God will take care of you.*

POSTLUDE *Take My Life and Let It Be* arr. by H. J. Malan

✦ *All who are able, please stand*

## SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

**Sound:** Terry Becker

**Ushers:** Margaret Clarke, Marge Hemmrich,  
John Mercurio and Suzanne Warne

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God  
from Suzanne Warne in memory of Lance Warne.*

### ***We Welcome Our Guests to Worship***

Welcome! Your presence with us this morning adds joy to our worship service. Please help us acknowledge your visit by including your name and contact information when the friendship pad is passed during the announcements. You are invited to join us for fellowship following the service. If you are looking for a church home, and feel God is leading you to FPC, please speak with Pastor Susan following worship or call her during the week at (352) 748-2530.

For more information about our church, please ask an usher for a copy of "The Beacon", our monthly newsletter, or visit us online at [www.fpcwildwood.org](http://www.fpcwildwood.org).

**Announcements – April 8, 2018**

**2 Cents a Meal, Today**

The monthly offering to support our presbytery’s missions will be collected today. There will be a basket in front of the pulpit for your offerings.

**Monthly Potluck Luncheon, Sunday, April 15**

Join us for our monthly potluck luncheon on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> following worship. You may drop off your dishes before worship in the fellowship hall. All are invited, please bring a friend!

**Ladies Luncheon, Tuesday, April 17**

Our next luncheon will be Tuesday, April 17 at Takis Restaurant in Lady Lake. We will meet at 11:30am. All ladies are invited. Contact Carol Norton at (352)748-3459 or [cjln540@gmail.com](mailto:cjln540@gmail.com) for reservations.

**One Great Hour of Sharing**

Thank you to those that donated to the One Great Hour of Sharing. Your special offering supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA), Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP) and the Self-Development of People Program (SDOP). We collected \$1,004 from this wonderful, generous congregation.

**Our Church Family Prayer Concerns**

Jim Boring, Harriette Hill and Jack Owings

**This Week’s Birthdays and Anniversaries**

April 11: George Murray  
April 13: Jean Hipwell  
April 14: Barbara Bostelman

**Looking Ahead**

<b>Apr. 8, Sun.</b>	Choir Practice .....	9:30am
	Two Cents a Meal .....	10:30am
<b>Apr. 9, Mon.</b>	Deacons Meeting .....	2:00pm
<b>Apr. 10, Tues.</b>	PW Tea .....	12:30pm
<b>Apr. 11, Wed.</b>	Choir Practice .....	6:15pm
<b>Apr. 12, Thurs.</b>	PW Circle .....	2:00pm
<b>Apr. 15, Sun.</b>	Choir Practice .....	9:30am
	Worship .....	10:30am
	Potluck .....	After Worship
<b>Apr. 17, Tues.</b>	Finance Team Meeting .....	10:30am
	Ladies Luncheon.....	11:30am
	Session Meeting .....	6:00pm
<b>Apr. 18, Wed.</b>	PW Circle .....	10:00am
	Mission Team Meeting (possibly at Ulrich’s House) .....	12:00pm

**The Church Staff**

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**The Church Session**

Moderator	Rev. Susan Takis
Clerk of Session	Louise Fahey
Class of 2018	Barbara England, John Ulrich
Class of 2019	Louise Fahey, Tom McKee
Class of 2020	Chuck Loser, Carol Norton, Fran Simone

**The Church Diaconate**

Moderator	Nancy Myers
Advisor	Rev. Susan Takis
Class of 2018	Jan Coleman, Connie Emery
Class of 2019	Dru Movizzo, Nancy Myers
Class of 2020	Marilyn Englesbe, Janie Kirkpatrick

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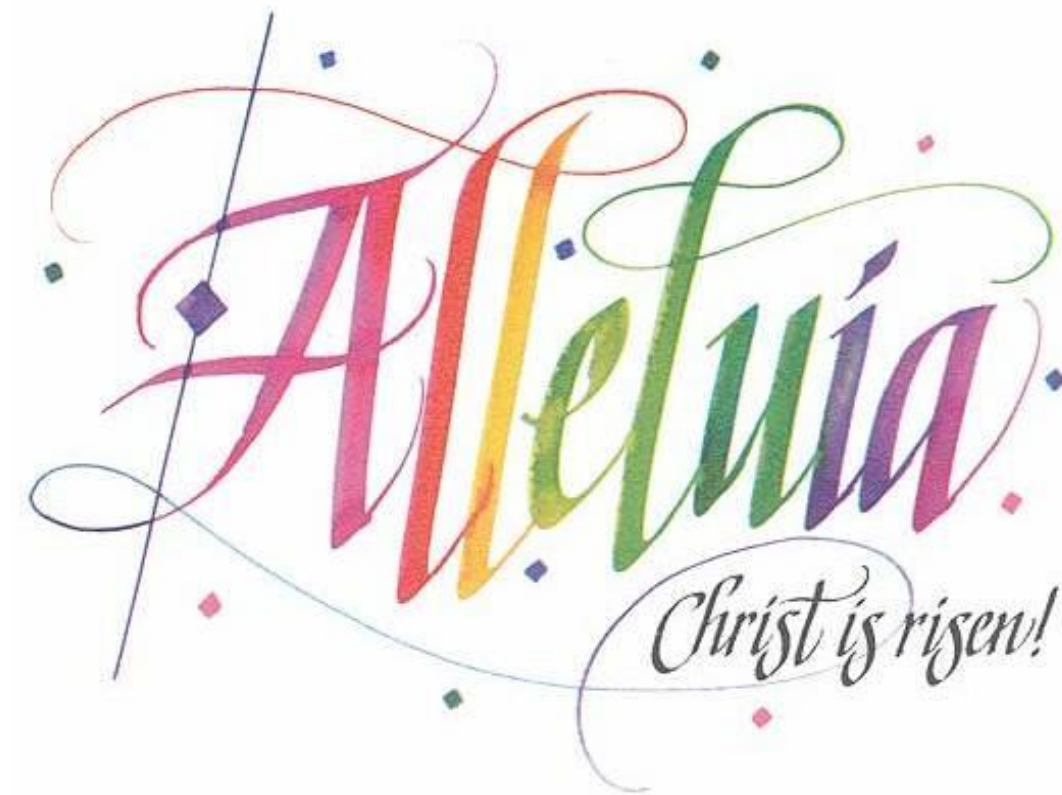
Email: [fpcwildwood@embarqmail.com](mailto:fpcwildwood@embarqmail.com)

**Sunday Service 10:30 AM**

**Church Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon**

**The First Presbyterian Church  
of Wildwood**

**April 8, 2018  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**



**THE MISSION OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IS:**  
*To be welcoming, caring, and compassionate,  
 joyfully celebrating the Lord, growing spiritually  
 through His presence, while sharing His love and grace.*