

Community **Presbyterian Church**

Fourth Sunday of Eastertide 21 April 2024

GATHERING

Eastertide Salutation

(One) Alleluia, Christ is Risen! (All) **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

(One) Alleluia, Christ is risen!

(All) The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!

(One) Glory to you, O God, you are victorious over death, raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life.

(All) Glory to you, O Christ, for us and for our salvation you overcame death and opened the gate to eternity.

(One) Glory to you, O Holy Spirit, you lead us into the truth. Guide our worship today.

(All) Let us now worship God, three in one, with the joyful "Alleluias" of praise. Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 23

(One) The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

(All) He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

(One) Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff-they comfort me.

(All) You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

(One) Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

*Hymn (96) O' For A Thousand Tongues to Sing
(1) O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

- (2) My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread thro' all the earth abroad the honors of your name.
- (3) Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease, 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
- (4) He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.
- (5) To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and reversed the curse of death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by ways that lead to death. Forgive us, God of abundant mercy. Help us to trust in Your Spirit as we are

formed in the likeness of Christ. Restore us and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

First Reading
Acts 4:5-12
Second Reading
1 John 3:16-24
Gospel Reading
John 10:11-18

Sermon

*Hymn (595) They'll Know We Are Christians
(1) We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Refrain

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

- (2) We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
- (3) We will work with each other, we will work side by side; We will work with each other, we will work side by side; We'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride.
- (4) All praise to the Father, from whom all things come; And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son; And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.

RESPONSE

*Affirmation of Faith

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

-Book of Common Worship (1 Corinthians 15:1-6)

Offertory

*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge Benediction

Postlude

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday night Games Up Here this week!

Games this week! 7:00pm-8:30pm in the Annex.

Wednesday Bible Study

Bible study this week is cancelled. Join us on Wednesday May 1st as we return to our series—*Earthly Possessions*.

SCRIPTURES

Acts 4:5-12

4:5 The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem.

- 4:6 with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family.
- 4:7 When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?"
- 4:8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders,
- 4:9 if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed.
- 4:10 let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead.
- 4:11 This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders: it has become the cornerstone.'

4:12 There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

1 John 3:16-24

- 3:16 We know love by this, that he laid down his life for usand we ought to lay down our lives for one another.
- 3:17 How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?
- 3:18 Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action.
- 3:19 And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him
- 3:20 whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.
- 3:21 Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God:
- 3:22 and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.
- 3:23 And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.
- 3:24 All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

John 10:11-18

10:11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

10:12 The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away--and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.

10:13 The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

10:14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,

10:15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

10:16 I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

10:17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

10:18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."