



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 14, 2024

*Please join in reading
aloud those parts of the
service printed
in bold.*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us now prepare our hearts to worship God.

MUSIC FOR PREPARATION

Andante poco adagio from Duo No. 1, op. 46

Kaspar Kummer (1795-1870)

Linda Cykert, flute

Mark Payne, clarinet

CALL TO WORSHIP

As you walk with us, as we journey together,

Lord, your word fills our hearts!

As you speak with us, as your love is revealed,

Lord, your fire burns in our hearts!

As we proclaim what we have seen and heard,

may all people be drawn to you, the risen Lord!

When this symbol ()
precedes an element of
the service, please rise
in body or spirit.*

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN – NO. 238**

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

*We lay before God our
own sins,
the sins and
brokenness of our
fellow worshipers,
the church universal,
and the world.*

***CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We're afraid to take a truthful look at ourselves,
yet you see us as we really are.

Open our eyes, Lord.

Even when we won't listen to you,

you hear us when we call your name.

Open our ears, Lord.

We keep the light of your word hidden to ourselves,
though you gave it to share with the world.

Open our mouths, Lord.

May we know and serve the One
who calls us to see, hear, and speak.
Open our hearts, Lord.

***SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Lord, Have Mercy (*Kyrie eleison*)

John Weaver (1937-2021)

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

*The astoundingly good
news of our
reconciliation to God
through Jesus Christ
frees our tongues to
sing mighty praise to
God.*

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Glory to God!

GELOBT SEI GOTT

Glo - ry to God! The heav'ns a - dore! Let earth re - sound God's
praise there - fore; Au - thor of peace for ev - er - more!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Michael Morgan

*We exchange
reconciling words and
gestures among the
people of God.*

***PASSING THE PEACE, LOVE, AND JOY OF CHRIST TO OTHERS**

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

STORY TELLING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Large Print Pew Bible, page 694

Pew Bible, pages 564-565

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We listen for what God is saying to God's people through scripture, song, and sermon.

ANTHEM

On Emmaus' Journey

John Ferguson (b. 1941)

Chancel Choir

Linda Cykert, flute

Mark Payne, clarinet

Erin Studstill Lopp, percussion

Who are you who walk in sorrow down Emmaus' barren road,
Hearts distraught and hope defeated, bent beneath grief's crushing load?
Nameless mourners, we will join you, we who also mourn our dead.
We have stood by graves unyielding, eaten death's bare, bitter bread.

Who is this who joins our journey, walking with us stride by stride?
Unknown Stranger, can you fathom depths of grief for one who died?
Then the wonder! When we told you how our dreams to dust have turned,
Then you opened wide the Scriptures till our hearts within us burned!

Who are you? Our hearts are opened in the breaking of the bread.
Christ the victim, now the victor, living, risen from the dead!
Great Companion on our journey, still surprise us with your grace!
Make each day a new Emmaus; on our hearts your image trace!

Who are we who travel with you on our way through life to death?
Women, men, the young, the aging, wakened by the Spirit's breath!
At the font you claim and name us, born of water and the Word.
At the table still you feed us, host us as our Risen Lord!

"Alleluia! Alleluia!" is the Easter hymn we sing!
Take our life, our joy, our worship as the gift of love we bring.
You have formed us all one people called from every land and race.
Make your church your servant Body, sent to share you healing grace!
-Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr. (2001)

GOSPEL READING: Luke 24:13-35

Large Print Pew Bible, pages 109-110

Pew Bible, page 90

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON: Walk this way

Rev. Carrie Tuttle

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN OF RESPONSE – NO. 252**

Day of Arising

RAABE

Our response to hearing God's Word includes singing and saying what we believe.

*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;
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.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table 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... Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with the celestial choirs and with all the faithful of every
time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: Richard Proulx, Land of Rest

The sacrament of The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with our crucified and risen Lord. In the Lord's Supper, the Church gives thanks to God for all God's gifts, is renewed and sustained by the power of Jesus Christ, and is in communion with Christ and with all who belong to Christ. Today's celebration is by intinction. Come forward to receive the communion elements.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

Adagio from Duo No. 6, op. 19

Carl Stamitz (1745-1801)

Linda Cykert, flute

Mark Payne, clarinet

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here be -'. The second staff continues the melody: 'low; Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly'. The third staff continues: 'host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -'. The fourth staff concludes: 'lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'.

BEARING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN – No. 248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

Pennies for Hunger Offering is being received today. The collection is sent to Salem Presbytery where it is then divided and returned to local food ministries.

*God blesses and
sends us in mission
to the world.*

VOLUNTARY

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

Carrie Tuttle, M. Div., Temporary Acting Head of Staff

John W. Johnson, M. Div., Parish Associate for Communications

J. Patrick Murphy, M. Mus., Organist-Choirmaster

Charlotte Nance-Allbright, M.A, C.C.E., Director of Christian Formation and Education

IN MEMORIAM

MARY LOU MASSIE

September 15, 1938– April 7, 2024

“I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord.”

John 11:25

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WARM AND CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all who worship with us. . We hope in this service you will encounter the living Christ and experience the warmth of our caring family of faith. If you are not receiving the weekly e-newsletter, please feel free to pick up a copy today in the narthex and then contact the church office to be added to the weekly email list. If you are visiting with us and in search of a church home, we invite you to become a part of our church family here at First Presbyterian Church. Please let us know of your interest by way of the friendship register, or by speaking to a minister. The Church Office phone number is 336-228-1703.

MUSIC NOTES: Music texts and impressions, along with streaming music, are provided with permission from One License, License #A-715495. All rights reserved.

LIVE VIDEO STREAMING SERVICE: *Boxcast* will stream to our website and Facebook page each Sunday morning.

LARGE PRINT HYMNS: Copies of today's hymns are available in the Narthex.

GUEST PREACHER: Next Sunday, April 21, Rev. April Martin will serve as guest preacher. As a child of FPCB this is a special opportunity to worship under the leadership of one who has a special place in the heart of this church family.

PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION: If you have a personal emergency, hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call the church office. If it is after office hours or on the weekend, you may contact the minister on call: Carrie Tuttle (336-708-0451)

EXPLORE FPC RESCHEDULED: All visitors are invited to join the FPC staff and New Member Team **next Sunday (April 21) at 11:15 a.m.** in the Witherspoon Room to learn more about FPC. Many of you have been worshipping with us by livestreaming and we would love the opportunity to see you in person. A light brunch will be provided. Please call the church office to register: 336-228-1703.

DISASTER RESPONSE MISSION TRIP interest meeting this morning at 11:15 a.m. in Room 122. Adults who would like to be part of a planning and work team traveling to an area recovering from disaster in NC or surrounding states, join Paul Reeves and Charlotte Nance-Allbright after worship for more conversation.

APRIL MISSION GIVING FOCUS: FURNITURE MINISTRY: Please keep Furniture Ministry in your prayers during April, the FPCB mission giving focus month for Furniture Ministry, and consider how God is calling you to give. Requests for help from the Furniture Ministry are increasing sharply and straining their ability to meet all needs. Monetary gifts would be especially appreciated. Please see a list of needed items in the e-blast. Small items can be dropped off in the donation bins by the Welcome Center doors. Larger items can be dropped off on Mondays between 1:00-4:00 p.m. or contact furnmin3@gmail.com to coordinate. The phone number for the Furniture Ministry is 336-212-2937.

ENRICHMENT CLASS: Join the class at 9:00 a.m. in Room 228 for a study based on the book *Thoughtful Christianity* by Ben Daniel thru April 28.

JOHN KNOX CLASS APRIL 14-21: Join the class at 9:00 a.m. in the John Knox Room as they explore the spiritual novel, *Burning Faith*, with its author, Chip Bristol. It is a tale about a church that burns on Christmas morning and how the people find their faith without a building. An allegory, *Burning Faith* speaks to the nature of the spiritual journey as well as what it means to be the church. Books are available for purchase (\$20) in the church office.

Join **FRIENDSHIP GROUP** for a joyful morning as we explore *Hilarious Bits o' Business with Joey* on **Thursday, April 18 at 11:00 a.m.!** We will laugh, smile, remember, be amazed and participate during an enlightening hour of fun! Followed by a delicious lunch which will remind you of being at the Fair! Please RSVP to Patrick by Monday, April 15 (pmurphy@fpcburlington.org) or 336-228-1703.

SAVE THE DATE FOR LUNCHESES WITH THE FPC PROGRAM STAFF!

The Village at Brookwood—Wednesday, May 1 at 12:00 noon in the Village dining room
Twin Lakes—Thursday, May 2 at 12:00 noon at the Terrace

*Invitations will be coming soon, but please make sure that you get this on your calendar!

CAMP FIRELIGHT: A SUMMERCAMP ADVENTURE WITH GOD- Vacation Bible School at FPCB June 17-20 from 6-8 p.m. (optional dinner at 5 p.m. \$8 per person). Children 3 years (as of August 2023 and potty trained) to 5th grade will enjoy this opportunity for faith formation and fellowship. Join Firefly "Lu" each evening as we explore Psalm 53:3 through hands-on activities, music, and play. For more information or to volunteer, contact Charlotte Nance-Allbright (callbright@fpcburlington.org) (336)228-1703 x 223) Scan the QR code to register



CALENDAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for Adults – Room 203, Room 228, and the John Knox Room
9:00 a.m. Sacred Art for Children
9:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
10:00 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
10:00 a.m. FISHin (Faith in Small Hearts) – Sanctuary
11:15 a.m. Disaster Response Mission Trip Interest Meeting – Room 122
5:00 p.m. Youth Dinner—Shive Hall
5:00 p.m. High School Youth Group – Room 406
5:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Group – Room 403
6:00 p.m. PW Circle #1 – Witherspoon Room

Monday, April 15

- Noon Staff Meeting – Room 122

Tuesday, April 16

- 6:45 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study – Witherspoon Room
7:30 a.m. High School Dough Devotions – The Park (S. Church St.)
8:00 a.m. Walk and Talk – Shive Hall or Outside
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting – Room 122
7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 17 Meets – Garrison Joyner Activities Building

Wednesday, April 17

- 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study – Witherspoon Room
6:00 p.m. TableTop Youth Game Night – Room 401
6:00 p.m. Pack 4017 – Garrison Joyner Activities Building
6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Room 225

Thursday, April 18

- 6:45 a.m. Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study – Witherspoon Room
9:00 a.m. Andrews Snack Packing – Witherspoon Room
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry – Room 201
11:00 a.m. Friendship Group – Shive Hall
2:00 p.m. Budget and Finance Meeting – Room 203

Saturday, April 20

- 8:00 a.m. REE Training Event – Witherspoon Room



A Moment's Meditation

God speaks to each of us as he makes us, then walks with us silently out of the night.
Rainer Maria Rilke, *Go to the Limits of Your Longing*

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