

SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY
Second Sunday of Easter
April 19, 2009

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE O Jesus, Thou Art Standing Saxton

The Gathering

CALL TO WORSHIP

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

How wonderful it is to know God's blessings.

We celebrate the gift of community, and our connection with each other.

How wonderful it is to know God's Spirit lives among us.

We honor the connections God creates in our lives.

How wonderful it is to know that God is light and contains no darkness.

We seek to walk in the light, as God is light.

How wonderful it is to know that the God of grace meets us here.

We quiet our hearts and lift our eyes to worship the God of peace.

* HYMN "The Strife is O'er" 119

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

O God, you are light, and in you there is no darkness at all. We call ourselves children of light, but sometimes we act otherwise: we love ourselves more than others, we manipulate others to get our own way, and then pretend to be innocent. We deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Shine your light into our dark places. Bring the truth to our lips. In your faithfulness, receive our confession and forgive us.

..... (silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

The Word

READING OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

Acts 4:32-35

More and more people are joining the community of the church and sharing their possessions.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Potter's Hand

Schrader

READING OF THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

Jesus appears to his disciples and convinces Thomas that he has risen.

This is the Gospel of the Light of the World.

Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

"Don't Miss Out"

Reverend Dave Smallegan

HYMN

Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Quietude

Blake

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Sending

*HYMN

"I Danced in the Morning"

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*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*CLOSING RESPONSE

Jesus Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Enclosed

*POSTLUDE

The Heavens are Telling

Beethoven

- Those who are comfortable doing so are invited to stand.

We welcome Reverend Smallegan to our church and pulpit. Grant him your attention and God's grace.

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning. Visitors and members are asked to please sign the Ritual of Friendship pad. Thank you for worshipping with us!

Choir Practice will be held Wednesday, April 22nd at 6:30pm.

The cookie sign up sheet has been placed on the volunteer desk, please sign up.

The next open date on the flower chart is Sunday August 30th; please feel free to sign up.

Flowers have been placed in the Sanctuary this morning by Carroll & Rosa Pace, in honor of Carroll's birthday.

Julia Kasch provided the cookies for the congregation this morning.

Birthdays ~ April 19th ~ Carroll Pace, April 23rd ~ Burke Moore, April 25th ~ Janie Lambert

Anniversary ~ April 21st ~ Jim & Bobbie Farrell

The Reverend Georgia N. King, Pastor, Organist-Choir Director- Mrs. Pat Petty

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SCHEDULE

April 19	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School Class
	10:10 a.m.	Fellowship Time - Southeast Vestibule
	10:30 a.m.	Morning worship

OFFICE HOURS

9:00 -12:00 Monday through Friday

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