First Presbyterian Church

EASTER SERVICE
April 21, 2019
10:45 a.m.
Greetings

Early on the first day of the week, the disciples of Jesus went to the tomb where he had been buried only to find that the stone had been rolled away and the tomb was empty. Friends, we gather here as Christ’s disciples, on the first day of the week, to celebrate the good news of the gospel:

Jesus Christ has risen from the dead!

Bell Introit

*Call to Worship

Leader: Rejoice and be glad:

People: This is the day that the Lord has made!

Leader: Rejoice and be glad:

People: Heaven and earth will never be the same!

Leader: Rejoice and be glad:

People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

*Hymn

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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.

Silence

Choral Response
Welcome, Visitors!

We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting First Presbyterian Church this morning. We are glad you are here! **Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from an usher. Transistor hearing aids are also available for your use.** Please ask any usher for one and feel free to sit wherever you wish in the Sanctuary while using one. All persons are encouraged to sign the Ritual of Friendship Pads as they are passed to you in the pews. Please include your address, email address, and telephone number. **Please remember to turn off your cell phone before worship this morning.**

Children's Information—Children are welcome in worship. We do not mind a little fidgeting and fussing in the pew. We offer children’s worship bags with various quiet activities in cloth bags located just outside the Sanctuary doors. But if you feel that your child is having a difficult time sitting through church, you are welcome to worship in The Well. Remember, quiet play in The Well is appropriate so as not to disturb others who are trying to worship. Also, the McComb room is available as a Cry room. And, finally, we encourage you to consider the Nursery, which is located in the South end of the Case Building, where we have trained Staff to look after and engage your child from Birth to Kindergarten. If we need to contact you during worship, just give us your cell number and we will text you. You and your child’s (spiritual, emotional, and social) needs are important to us. (Liz Norris—Director of Children’s Ministry)

**A quick reminder:** Under the Child Protection Policy **children are not allowed to leave the Sanctuary or The Well without an adult escort.** Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sympathy—The white rose this morning on the baptismal font is in memory of Kenneth Lewis. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers as they grieve their recent loss.

Flowers—The beautiful lilies for our service this morning are given to the glory of God in memory of or in honor of loved ones.

Praying for the Church Family—As a congregation we weekly focus our personal and corporate prayers upon a selection of church members and friends. Let us remember in prayer this week the following: Kenneth Long, Steve Harper, Geri Doll & family, Ann & Roger Eastwood, Matt & Joanne Ediger and family.

If you need a Stephen Minister, or would like more information about the Stephen Ministry, please contact Dr. Brent Johnston at 263-0248 or Louise Farmer at lfarmer4164@gmail.com.
Journeys Class to Continue with:

*Art’s Role in Christianity: An Historical Perspective*

April 7 through April 28

In April, the *Journeys* class will take a new and fascinating kind of journey into the world of art. Over the course of time, what was the role of art in telling the story of Christianity? Art expert and our own church member Bob Workman, recently retired director of the Ulrich Museum at Wichita State University, will lead us on this, colorful, intriguing and fact-filled journey.

**Come join us in the West Dining Room at 9:30 a.m. for this insightful series.**

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**Restoring HOPE, Reducing HUNGER, Partnering for PROGRESS!**

The annual One Great Hour of Sharing offering is the single, largest way Presbyterians join together every year to work for a better world. The offering is divided among Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self Development of People. If you did not make a gift on Palm Sunday you can do so anytime this month. Make sure the memo line on your check says OGHS or use an OGHS envelope found on the table outside the church office. When we each do a little, it adds up to a lot!

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**Spring cleaning? Refugee families can use your extras!**

As you do your spring cleaning, rearranging, decorating and/or downsizing, remember that our twenty Congolese refugee families would be most grateful for any used furniture, bedding, or household items that you have duplicates of or no longer need. Contact knechtmary@hotmail.com or 942-8068 to arrange for a pick up.

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**Wednesday Night Clubs**

Wednesday night clubs are at 5:30 p.m. We have sign-up sheets available in *The Well* on Sundays to help contribute to our weekly meal. Thank you to all who have been a part of our Wednesday nights.
**Choral Benediction**  
*Hallelujah* *(from Messiah)*  
G. F. Handel  

**Postlude**  
*Toccata in F Major*  
Charles Marie Widor

*signifies congregation standing (for those able)*

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**Instrumentalists**  
Dana Hamant, Trumpet  
Joe Clements, Trombone  
Kyle Stanberry, Clarinet  
Cindy Thompson, Oboe

**Worship Leaders**  
Senior Pastor  
Brent O. Johnston  
Associate Pastor  
Judy Michel  
Director of Music  
Steve Bixler  
Organist  
Mark Sweeney

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**TRANSPORTATION OFFICE HELP NEEDED!**

We are in desperate need for additional help in the Transportation Office. We are so happy for Kathy McVey to get a new kidney, but now need additional coverage for scheduling in the office. This would be on Thursday mornings from 9-11:30. It is not hard and free training will be provided! Please contact Patty Cole at 316-250-4577 or pattycole21@gmail.com. Please consider this great opportunity for you to help with this mission. Thanks!-Patty

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**Sr. Wednesday at the Museum April 24, 2019**

Gary Huffman, Archivist, will be making a presentation on *The Victory Arch* *(May 1919)*, erected over Douglas Avenue to celebrate the homecoming of the W. W. I soldiers. Please join us for the presentation on April 24, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at the Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum, 204 S. Main. Refreshments are served.

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**CAMP WHISPERS SPRING WORK DAY**

Please join us for the Spring Work Day at Whispering Winds Camp on Saturday, April 27, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (come when you can, leave when you need). Everyone is encouraged to come out and help spiff up the Camp, including church members, affiliated congregations (ie Korean, Congolese), and youth. Most of the work will be outside, subject to weather, but there will also be some inside opportunities. We’ll have coffee and donuts to get revved up in the morning. Lunch will also be provided, including desserts and drinks. Please bring chainsaws, loppers, trimmers, if you have them, and related safety gear (gloves, boots, ear/eye protection, etc.). Thank you for helping us maintain the legacy and missions of the Camp. Call Dave Duncan (371-1050) if you have any questions.
## Calendar

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**Assurance of Pardon**

*Song of Thanksgiving*  
*Gloria Patri*  
No. 579

*The Peace*

Leader: Since God has forgiven all our sins in Christ, let us forgive one another.

**People:** And also with you.

First Reading  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

**Anthem**  
*Since by Man Came Death* (from **Messiah**)*  
G. F. Handel

**Second Reading**  
1 Corinthians 15:19-26

**Gospel Reading**  
Luke 24:1-12

**Sermon**  
"Resurrection as Idle Tale, as Article of Faith and as Power to Make All Things New"  
The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

*Affirmation of Faith*  
*Apostles Creed* *(Ecumenical)*  
PH Pg. 14

**Prayers of the People** & **The Lord’s Prayer** *(Ecumenical)*  
Russ Davisson

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen*

**Call to Stewardship**

Offertory  
*Worthy is the Lamb That Was Slain* *(from Messiah)*  
G.F. Handel

*Doxology*  
No. 592

*Prayer of Dedication*

*Hymn*  
*The Day of Resurrection*  
No. 118

*Charge and Benediction*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Recessional*