FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS
Minute for Mission: Affordable Housing Action
Marilyn Hedgpeth

Southern Harmony,
arr. Edwin Childs

Susan Dunlap

PRELUDE
Loving Spirit (Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy)
Southern Harmony,
arr. Edwin Childs

INTROIT
Easter People, Raise Your Voices
Regent Square

Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.
Christ has brought us heaven's choices; heavenly music, let it ring.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 4:7-8)
Leader: You have put gladness in my heart
People: More than when the grain and wine abound.
Leader: I will both lie down and sleep in peace;
People: For you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.
All: Let us worship God.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 248
Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!
Hymn to Joy

*CONFESSSION OF SIN (remain standing)
Call to Confession
Mindy Douglas

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 do not hear 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.

Silent Confession
Declaration of Pardon
Response (Hymn No. 240, refrain)

Refrain

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Give thanks to the ris-en Lord. Al-le-

lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Give praise to his name.

* Those who are able, please stand.

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COLLECT FOR THE DAY
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
All: Lord of life, by submitting to death, you conquered the grave. By being lifted on the cross, you draw all peoples to you. By being raised from the dead, you restore to humanity all that we had lost through sin. Throughout these fifty days of Easter we proclaim the marvelous mystery of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. Amen.

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES Acts 3: 12-19 (Pew Bible, NT Page 120)
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

PSALM RESPONSE Psalm 4 Amy Wilson, cantor
(After the refrain has been introduced by the organist and the cantor, please join in singing where indicated, R.)

In the night I can take my rest, you alone keep my life secure.

When I call, you give heed, O Lord, righteous God; free me from my anguish, pity, hear my prayer.
How long will they all remain hard of heart? How long will their lies and their vanity endure? R

Remember, the Lord does wonders for the godly, the Lord will hear when I call on the holy name. Do not sin, but tremble; as you lie on your bed, in silence reflect. R

Offer praise and worship to God. Put your trust in the Lord. Many sigh as they pray: Lord, show us your joy. When shall we see the light of your face? R

In my heart you have poured the fullness of joy, far richer than their harvests of grain and wine. In peace I lie down, and sleep comes at once, for you, Lord, alone keep my life secure. R

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Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON “You Are Witnesses to All This!” Sam Migliarese
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church’s mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God’s judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church’s own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God’s renewal of human life in society and of God’s victory over all wrong.

HYMN NO. 252

Day of Arising
(Raabe)
(Children through 1st grade enter worship during the hymn.)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

God of Great and God of Small
(Natalie Sleeth)

Children’s Choir singing

God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all,
God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

God of land and sky and sea, God of life and destiny,
God of never-ending power, yet beside me every hour,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

God of silence, God of sound, God by whom the lost are found,
God of day and darkest night, God whose love turns wrong to right,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

God of heaven and God of earth, God of death and God of birth,
God of now and days before, God who reigns forevermore,
Alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.

(Children may return to the nursery, or join their parents in the pew.)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

Christ, the Source of Our Redemption
(Southern Harmony, arr. Nicholson)

Christ, the source of our redemption, yours the blood beyond all cost,
Which has freed us from the futile ways of life which made us lost.
God, your Father, gave you glory, bringing you from death to life.
So, with faith and hope o’erflowing, we are loosed from sin and strife.

As your friends were shown your presence in the breaking of the bread,
Show us now your loving kindness by which hungry souls are fed.
Spotless Lamb, by God long chosen, you have set your people free.
Help us hear the Scriptures’ witness calling us to liberty.

*Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst uns erfreuen
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

*THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Sam Miglarese
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Leader: Blessing God, you walk with us from the Jerusalem of our failure to the Emmaus of your glorious revelation. You made us to be your companions, and gave us food and drink that we might share your substance with you. You created us from the dust of the earth, and you re-created us by water and the Spirit. You called your chosen people; you sent Moses and the prophets, and you came among us in Jesus that we might know you in his crucified and broken body and celebrate you in the everlasting joy of his resurrection. And so we gladly thank you, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending praise:

All (sung): Sanctus

Hymn No. 565 (Haugen)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Leader: Breaking God, when your Son sat at table with his crestfallen disciples, he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread. Come among us now in the power of your Holy Spirit, that your people may discover you in the breaking of the bread, that you may stay with us and make your home among us, and that these gifts of bread and wine may become for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ; who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, “Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.” After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” Great is the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader: Sharing God, in the power of your Holy Spirit repeat among us your Son’s actions of taking, blessing, breaking, and sharing, that you may take, bless, break, and share us, and that the world may recognize you in the way you act on our lives. Breathe your Spirit on your church, that we might feel our hearts on fire as you talk with us and explain the scriptures to us. Bring your bread of life to feed all who hunger in body, mind, or spirit, until the day when we live your life abundant with the communion of saints, in the presence and companionship of your Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever one God.

(Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession)

All: Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)

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 forever. Amen.
*THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Note: gluten/peanut-free bread is served at the station to the right, in front of the lectern.

Communion Hymn No. 500 (all sing)  Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread  St. Flavian

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION  Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader:  The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
People:  Amen.
All:  O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 295  Sine Nomine

*BENEDICTION  Sam Miglares

All:  The peace of God is with us. Christ Jesus stands among us.
By the power of the Holy Spirit we have seen the risen Lord.

*POSTLUDE  Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word  Geistliche Lieder Zu Wittemberg, arr. Culli

Everyone is invited to Watts-Hill Hall for lunch following today’s worship.
Donations are appreciated to offset the cost of the meal ($8 per person/$24 max per family).

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the Ritual of Friendship pad, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then return it to the starting point, noting the names of those sitting near you. On Sunday, April 8, we welcomed 19 visitors to our worship service.

Name Tags: Church and visitor name tags are available on Sunday mornings in the foyer (lower level, elevator alcove). If you enter the sanctuary through the narthex (rear of the sanctuary), your name tag can be picked up and dropped off there (add a yellow dot to the back of your tag to indicate this location). Remember to wear your name tag on Sunday mornings, and as you leave the sanctuary after worship, drop it in the containers provided. We encourage everyone to wear a name tag, including our visitors. Thank you for your cooperation.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in gratitude for the ministry of First Presbyterian Church by the Worship and the Arts Committee.

Nursery care for infants to 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Education Building. After the sermon is delivered, children ages 3 to 6 join worship for “A Time with the Children” while childcare for infants – 2 years continues in the nursery. This Sunday there is no Children’s Choir rehearsal. Following “A Time with the Children,” the children may return to the nursery or join their parents in the pew. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex for younger children to read and enjoy should they need a break from the service.

Portions of today’s worship texts were reprinted from Book of Common Worship and Eucharistic Prayers.


LATER TODAY . . .

The Racial Equity Task Force will hold a strategic planning session from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. in the East Parlor. If you are interested in joining this planning session (or joining the group as a whole), please do. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or requests for the Task Force, please contact Kathy Krahnenbuhl or Jon Abels.

The Lenten Poetry Reading and Writing group will meet from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. in room 205 to discuss and share poems that deal with loss and/or death (their request). Anyone is welcome to bring some interesting poems to share, and to join us around the table. Marilyn Hedgpeth is the facilitator.

There will be a Durham CAN Assembly from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall at St. Philip's Episcopal Church. The time is now to show our support for affordable housing! Come to this Durham CAN Assembly and join our neighboring churches and agencies for a rousing call to include affordable housing in the development of the county lot next to our church. First Presbyterian and our neighbor St. Philips have been working toward this goal since 2015, and we are ready to make a joyful, loud public statement in these final days before the County Commissioners make their final decisions.

Joys and Concerns

Birth Announcement: Camille Augusta Bonner was born April 7 to Kate McCann and Tim Bonner (participants in the Scratch group and Membership Inquiry Class).

Carsey Family       Mary Clark       Graham/Seawell/Boyle Family       Lorimer Family
Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): Julian Boswell
Croasdaile Village: Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin
Croasdaile Pavilion: Bob Keever, John Kerr, Florence Shackelford
Pruitt Health at Carolina Point (Durham): Helen Garrison
The Forest at Duke: Fran Bryant, Peaches McPherson

Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:
Tom Birchfield, step-father of Wil James
Norma Cardoni, mother of Sheila Breitweiser
Ching-Chang Chin, father of Li-Chen Chin
Claiborne Clark, son of Arthur and Mary Clark
Marc Crawford, friend of Brianna and Ricky Bennett
Kim Cummings, father of Drew Cummings
Anna Gerwe & her family, granddaughter of Barbara and Rod Gerwe
Huberg family, friends of Kathy Parkins and Mary Kay Robinson
Patricia Kost, grandmother of Jack Kost
Ben Johnston-Krase, pastor of Durham's Farm Church
Paul Martin, brother of Beth Niece
Dell McMillian, brother-in-law of Valerie McMillian
Sue Noel, resident at Croasdaile Village and friend of Bill Hendrickson
Rosemary Orphys, aunt of Kerry Holbrook
Jonathan Pratt, son of Lanny Pratt
Vickie Tobey, niece of Mickey Velkey and cousin of Beth Brockman
Anne Turlington, aunt of Jack Kost
CONCERT: *I Told my Soul to Sing*

*Poems & Musical Settings of Emily Dickinson*

**Sunday, April 22, 2018***

**3:00 p.m. in the FPC sanctuary**

Join Lesley Curtis, soprano, Deborah Coclanis, piano, and Ann Harrison, reader, for a program of readings and musical settings of the poems of Emily Dickinson.

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**Iglesia Emanuel Transforming and Serving:**

**Celebrating our Ministries**

Iglesia Emanuel wants to spread the news about their very special and impactful ministries. On **Saturday, April 28, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**, they are hosting a dinner, prepared by members of their church, which will be held in the fellowship hall of **Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church**. Following the delicious dinner of tantalizing flavors from the various countries of origin of the church members, there will be musical entertainment as well as stories of the unique outreach projects of the church. Although there is no cost for the dinner, it is intended to be a fundraiser to help Iglesia Emanuel expand their ministry in the community, as well as an opportunity for people from various churches to come together in friendship and fellowship. Seating is limited, so if you would like to help support our sister church, please reserve your spot soon. Contact **Margaret Rubiera** at margaretmr29@gmail.com.

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**Women’s Voices Chorus**

**Sunday, May 6 – 3:00 p.m.**

**FPC Sanctuary**

This concert will feature Artistic Director Allan Friedman's new refugee song, *Miriym, Maria, and Maryam*, a dramatic piece written in response to the present reality of millions of displaced people around the globe. Accompanied by guitars, oud, percussion, and interpretive dance, with text from Psalms, Rumi, and Hafez, Friedman imagines three women of different faiths as they are swept up in tragic historical events. The spring program will also include modern and Renaissance choral works by women on the Virgin Mary; Ariel Ramirez's romping and lively South American folk mass, *Misa Criolla*; and international songs of peace, including an Iraqi lullaby and a Palestinian-American's song on the longing to be free. Tickets are $17 for adults and $7 for students. To purchase advance tickets online, please visit our **Square store**. All tickets purchased online will be available for pickup at the ticket table in the lobby on the day of the concert.

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**~ Serving Today ~**

Liturgist: **Carl Rist**

Narthex Greeter: **Maxie Honeycutt**

After Worship Greeters: **Barbara Buckley** (side/font); **Carol Carson** (rear/narthex)

Ushers: **Emily Wilkins** (head), **Julie Whiddon**, **Mary-Jo Keenan**, **Wayne House**, **John Mozart**, **Elinor Hess**

Communion Elders:

Head Elder/Replenish elements: **Tyler Momsen-Hudson**

Bread: **Jane Williams** (B1/process), **Dewey Lawson** (B2), **George Bernhardt** (B3), **Gerald Postema** (B4)

Cup: **Ellie Dilworth** (C1), **Sigfried Fullenkamp** (C2/process), **Karen Romines** (C3), **Jane Wettach** (C4)

Shepherds: **Gray Wilson** (center aisle), **Brent Curtis** (font aisle), **Carol Carson** (pulpit aisle)
Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! 248

1 Christ is ris-en! Shout Ho-san-na! Cel-e-brate this day of days!
2 Christ is ris-en! Raise your spir-its from the cav-erns of de-spair.
3 Christ is ris-en! Earth and heav-en nev-er-more shall be the same.

Christ is ris-en! Hush in won-der: all cre-a-tion is a-mazed.
Walk with glad-ness in the morn-ing. See what love can do and dare.
Break the bread of new cre-a-tion where the world is still in pain.

In the des-ert all-sur-round-ing, see, a spread-ing tree has grown.
Drink the wine of res-ur-rec-tion, not a ser vant, but a friend.
Tell its grim, de-mon-ic cho-rus: “Christ is ris-en! Get you gone!”

Heal-ing leaves of grace a-bound-ing bring a taste of love un-known.
Je-sus is our strong com-pan-ion. Joy and peace shall nev-er end.
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho-san-na ev-ery-one!
Day of Arising

1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way, un - known com -
2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing, blind - ed by
3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken. This is Christ’s
4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney, bread of com -

(Amaj7) (F#m7) (B7) (Esus) (E)
Bbmaj7 Gm7 C7 Fsus F

pan - ion walks with his own. When they in - vite him,
sad - ness, slow - ness of heart, yet Christ walks with us,
prom - ise, this is Christ’s sign: when the church gather - ers,
pas - sion, o - pen our eyes. Grant us your vi - sion,

(B) (E) (Amaj7) (B7) (E)
C F Bbmaj7 C7 F

as fades the first day, and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.
ev - er a - wait - ing our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.
when bread is bro - ken, there Christ is with us, in bread and wine.
set all hearts burn - ing that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.
1 Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart;
2 Here share with us, in love divine, your body and your blood,

Savior, abide with us, and spread your table in our heart.
that living bread, that heavenly wine be our immortal food.
Go to the World!

1 Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
2 Go to the world! Go into every place.
3 Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray;
4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

Go preach the cross where Christ renews life’s worth,
Go live the word of God’s redeeming grace.
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
for I am with you till the age shall end,

baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.
Go seek God’s presence in each time and space.
As servant church, you follow Christ’s own way.
when all the hosts of glory cry “Amen!”

Alleluia. Alleluia.
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*Tom Bloom, Business Administrator*
*Robby Daye, Sexton*
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*Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate*
*Sarah Finbow, Youth Minister*

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*Cheryl Henry, Parish Associate*
*Valerie McMillian, Parish Administrator*
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