

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 23, 2006

Prelude and Acolyte

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 25

Leader: *Show me Your ways, O Lord.*

People: **Teach me Your paths.**

Leader: *Guide me in Your truth and teach me.*

People: **For You are my God and my Savior,**

All: **And my hope is in You all day long! Let us worship God together.**

* Hymn No. 300 "In the Garden"

Confession of Sin (First in Unison and then in Silent Confession)

Loving and forgiving God, too often, we allow fear to keep us in bondage – fear of failure, fear of rejection, fear of the unknown. We stop short of doing Your will in order to keep things the way they are – from upsetting the status quo. God forgive us – help us to see that it is only in doing Your will and in stepping out in faith, that we can change our lives and this world for the better. Loose the chains of our fears, and cleanse us from our sins.

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Hymn No. 302 "He Lives"

* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Children's Message

Rev. Lisa Nance

Offertory and Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Anthem "Lift High the Cross"

Adult Choir

Musical Interlude

Children exit with Sam and Wendy Stephenson to Children's Church

Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (we pray debts and debtors)

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 133

* Hymn No. 134 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

New Testament Lesson

John 20:24-28

Sermon "2nd Sunday of Easter: What Are You Doing Here Today?"

* Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed Page 12, Red Hymnbook

* Hymn No. 317 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

* Acolyte and Benediction

* Postlude

Parts of today's liturgy are adapted from the work of Rev. Moira Laidlaw, and used by permission; Moira is a United Church minister in Australia

* Signifies Congregation to stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers. The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the anniversary of John and Beth Pickens, by their children, Stewart and Jane.

Congregational Meeting. The Session is calling a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 7, immediately following worship for the purpose of electing a Pastor Nominating Committee. Nominations are welcome from the floor. Please be sure the nominee is willing to be nominated.

Fellowship Meal. On Sunday, May 7 the Fellowship Committee will host a Congregational Fellowship Meal immediately following Worship and the Congregational meeting in the Fellowship Hall. The meats, beverages, and breads will be provided by the Fellowship Committee. Everyone is invited to come and bring a side dish or dessert!

Men's Fish Fry. The Men of the Church will host their annual Fish Fry on Friday, May 19 from 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$7 per person, eat-in or take-out. Anyone with the Fish Fry advertisement signs is asked to return those to the church and place them in the Historical Room. They need to be updated with the information for this year. If you have questions, please contact Nathan Dry.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers:

Bob Dry and Heath White

Acolyte: Hannah Stephenson

Bell Ringer: Daniel Stephenson

Infant Nursery: Lisa Nelms & Kristy Stephenson **Toddlers:** Christ Stephenson

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, April 30:

Ushers: Ronnie Creech and Don Dupree
Acolyte: Daniel Stephenson **Bell Ringer:** Samuel Stephenson
Children's Sermon: Wendy Stephenson
Children's Church: Carlos and Stephanie Bagley
Infant Nursery: Mary Langdon & Sandra Lordi **Toddlers:** Suzanne Wiley

Events for this week:

Today, Apr 23: Children's Choir Rehearsal from 9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.; Adult Sunday School Assembly at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary, followed by Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., and Worship Service at 11:00 a.m.

Monday, Apr 24: AA meets at 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, Apr 25: Men's Softball game at 6:30 p.m. at Creech Road Park

Wednesday, Apr 26: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Thursday, Apr 27: Deadline to turn in information for the May newsletter.

Thursday, Apr 27: Men's Softball game at 6:30 p.m. at Creech Road Park

Thursday, Apr 27: AA meets at 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Apr 30: Men's Fellowship Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall; Coffee and Doughnuts in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m., followed by Combined Adult Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., and Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Upcoming Events

May 6. Presbyterian Women FINAL Yard Sale from 7:00 a.m. – 12 noon. Donations are still welcome for this yard sale. Please contact Kay Dry or Carolyn Stevenson if you have items to donate.

May 7. Congregational Fellowship Meal immediately following Worship in the Fellowship Hall

May 7. Pioneer Clubs at 5:00 p.m. This will be the last Pioneer Clubs meeting for the year. **This will be a Year-End Celebration with dinner being served at 6:00 p.m.** There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, italian sausages, corn-on-the-cob, french fries, funnel cakes, and much more! All club members, and their families, are encouraged to come and be a part of this fun-filled evening.

May 9. Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team meeting at 7:00 p.m.

May 19. Men's Fish Fry from 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Tickets \$7.00 per person.

May 20. Presbyterian Women Brunch at 10:00 a.m. at the Manse. Mrs. Ruth McSwain will be the guest speaker. All women are invited and encouraged to participate in this time of fellowship. Please RSVP to Kay Dry or Carolyn Stevenson if you plan to attend.

The Prayer List

Don Bullard, Josephine Byrd, Mickey Carroll, Carol Clifton, Vera Critcher, Lovie Dorman, Gene Glasgow, Mary Hart, Lawrence Herron, Chris Johnson, Bobbie Langdon, Betty Lou Lee, Carol Mayben, Lewis McLamb, Eloise McLeod, Rebeth Mitchell, Julia Nales, Sandra Rice, Mary Serman, Alice Stephenson, Mary Stephenson, Margaret Walton, Margaret White, and Johnny Wood.