

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 30, 2006

Prelude and Acolyte

Welcome and Announcements

* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Please sign our Friendship Registry using the pad found at the end of your pew

Preparing our Hearts to Worship

We invite you to center your hearts and minds during a few moments of musical meditation as we prepare to worship our God.

Call to Worship

Leader: *Christ, God's gift to the world, has come:*

People: **For those who feel despair will know hope.**

Leader: *For those who are oppressed will know freedom*

People: **For those who are lonely will know love.**

Leader: *For those who are suffering will know inner peace.*

People: **O Christ, Lord of the world, Your time is now!**

All: **Fill our hearts with joy!**

* Hymn No. 123

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Call to Confession, Unison Prayer of Confession, and Moment of Silent Prayer

Almighty God, Our sin separates us from You – not because You stop loving us, but because we have pulled away from You. Sometimes by choice, sometimes by habit, and sometimes by ignorance, we have chosen to walk outside of Your path. Lord, forgive us. Open our hearts to change, so that we might choose to do Your will, so that we might build habits that reflect our commitment, and so that we might have knowledge of right and wrong. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Gloria Patri

Hymn No. 546

Children's Message

David Collier

Offertory and Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Special Music

Georgeanna Phillips

Musical Interlude: Children exit with Carlos and Stephanie Bagley to Children's Church

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

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-7

* Hymn No. 664

"Thy Word"

Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:13-35

Sermon

"3rd Sunday of Easter: A Walk to Remember"

* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

Page 12, Red Hymnbook

* Hymn No. 480

"Open My Eyes"

* Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude

** Signifies Congregation to stand*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 and 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.

Youth Group Outing. The Providence Youth will have Dinner and a Movie night on Saturday, May 20. All youth (7th-12th grade) are asked to meet in the parking lot at 6:00 p.m. to carpool to the eating place. The youth plan to be back at the church by 11:30 p.m., so parents can pick them up at that time. If you have questions, please contact Bob Dry.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Ronnie Creech and Don Dupree
Acolyte: Daniel Stephenson **Bell Ringer:** Samuel Stephenson
Infant Nursery: Mary Langdon & Sandra Lordi **Toddlers:** Suzanne Wiley

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, May 7:

Ushers: Hamilton Greene and Johnathan Reed
Acolyte: Samuel Stephenson **Bell Ringer:** Hannah Stephenson
Children's Sermon: Wendy Stephenson
Children's Church: Jeff Wood and Kelly Nordan
Infant Nursery: Heath and Heather White **Toddlers:** Beth Pickens

Events for this week:

Today, 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.

Monday, May 1: AA meets at 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 2: Men's Softball game at 6:30 p.m. at Creech Road Park

Wednesday, May 3: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Thursday, May 4: AA meets at 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, May 4: Men's Softball game at 8:30 p.m. at Creech Road Park

Saturday, May 6: Presbyterian Women Yard Sale from 7:00 a.m. – 12 noon

Sunday, May 7: 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. Worship at 11:00 a.m., followed by a Congregational Meeting and Congregational Fellowship Meal. **Pioneer Clubs and Youth meet at 5:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. with a Year-End Celebration! Everyone within the congregation is invited to join in for the time of fellowship, food and fun!**

Upcoming Events

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

May 9. Stated Session Meeting at 7:30 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.

May 20. *Dinner and a Movie* night for Providence Youth (7th-12th grade) from 6:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

The Prayer List

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

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and growing His church

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