

April 07, 2019 · 10:00 AM

(* Those who are able, please stand. Large print hymnals, Sunday Worship hymn sheets & Bulletins & wireless hearing aids available. Ask an usher. Members, please wear your name tag.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Thomas Dorsey
Joyful Ringers Handbell Choir arr Wagner

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader..... When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,

People..... we were like those who dream.

Leader..... Then our mouth was filled
with laughter and shouts of joy.

People..... We rejoiced: "The Lord has done great things for us."

Leader..... May those who go out weeping,
bearing the seed for sowing,

All come home with joy, carrying their sheaves.

*HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" # 281

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Leader: Keith Butters

Invitation

Unison Prayer

**Purifying God, we grow comfortable
with the way things are in our lives,
in the church, and in the world.**

We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ.

Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others.

Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us.

Forgive us, we pray,

for seeking our gain at the expense of others.

Help us bend our lives toward your life of self-giving.

Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world,

with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Sharing God's Peace

Response "My Song Is Love Unknown" # 76 (v1)

My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me;

Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be.

O who am I, That for my sake' My Lord should take Frail flesh, and die?

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING John 12:1-8
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 81

ANTHEM "Give Me Jesus" arr Anna Laura Page

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 3:4b-14
"The Word of the Lord / **Thanks be to God!**" NT Page 153

CHILDREN'S TALK Pastor Sam
(4yr to Gr1 invited to 1st Floor Nursery. Children leave through front exits)

SERMON In-Between

*HYMN "Come, Risen Lord" # 503

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from Ephesians 2:13-22

In Jesus we who were far off have been brought near.

He is our peace, and has broken down all walls between us.

**He has created a new humanity,
reconciling us to God and one another.**

**He proclaimed peace to everyone,
whether close to God or far away.**

Through him we have access in one Spirit to the Father.

**So then we are no longer strangers and aliens,
but members of the household of God,
with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.**

**In him we are joined together and grow into a holy temple,
a dwelling place for God.**

OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory Music "Cwm Rhondda" arr Hopson

Song of Praise "My Song Is Love Unknown" # 76 (v5)

Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine;

Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine.

This is my Friend, In whose sweet praise; I all my days Could gladly spend

*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Each communion tray has a dish of rice cake pieces for those who avoid wheat products

Invitation to the Table

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord be with you / **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts / **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and 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.

The prayer continues and concludes with The Lord's Prayer using Pew Cards

Communion of the People

*HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" # 339

*BENEDICTION See Laminated Pew Cards concluding with...
Pastor:.... God is good **People:..... All the time!**

*SUNG RESPONSE

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through this and every coming day,
That in Your Spirit strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.**

POSTLUDE "Prelude and Fugue in e minor" Pachelbel

Welcome Visitors. Please leave your contact info on the pink card that you find in the pew rack. Pick up a Visitor's brochure from the back or ask an Usher! Be sure share a cup of coffee with us today during our fellowship time immediately after Worship

***Mission Statement:** First Presbyterian Church exists to improve our understanding of Christ; to spread His word and teachings; and to reach out to our church family, our community, and the world through acts of compassion, kindness, and love*

A Staffed Nursery & Toddler Care Room is located on the 1st floor behind the sanctuary. We also offer an optional Quiet Room for parents with small children located in the sanctuary back

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers are led by Carl Longley. Apr 14: Jim Henderson

Layreader is Keith Butters. Apr 14: Palm Sunday Cantata

Worship Recorder is Shari Fish. Apr 14: Valerie Wood

Deacon Ramp Duty is Carol Drumluk. Apr 14: Mary Grow

Weekly Congregation & Presbytery Prayer List: Dan & Valerie Cucura; Ally, Amelia & Lily Kowalski; Shirley Waters, Arlene Markin, Rich & Linnea Linderman and 1st Pres Holland Patent

PALM SUNDAY – APRIL 14

Palm Sunday Cantata: The Senior Choir presents "Come, Touch the Robe" by Pepper Choplin

Relay for Life "Buy A Pie Sale" to benefit Rainbow of Hope and Rainbow of Faith! See Sue Hanson or Cynthia Pendergrast to donate a pie and be sure to purchase one on Palm Sunday