

Assemble in God's Name

(As the Prelude begins, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship. Also, please turn off your cell phones and pagers.)

Prelude

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain
Christ Lay in the Bonds of Death
Dr. Frank Contreras, Organist

Flor Peeters
Johann S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Tolling of the Bell

***Processional Hymn 123** *Jesus Christ is Risen Today!* EASTER HYMN

*Prayer of Adoration

Call to Worship

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 fear and death. Sometimes we overlook the poor and hungry and pass by those who mourn. We are sometimes deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace. 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.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Kyrie Eleison (Choir and Congregation)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (Repeat 3 times)
Christ, have mercy upon us. (Repeat 3 times)
Lord, have mercy upon us. (Repeat 3 times)

Assurance of Pardon

***Hymn** *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER
Congregation, Chancel Choir and Brass Quintet

All: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

Choir: Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod, the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

All: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

Men: Each newborn servant of the Crucified bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died.

All: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

Choir: Alleluia

Women: O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, your death has brought us life eternally.

All: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.

Proclaim God's Word

First Lesson Jeremiah 31:1-6 Pew Bible Page 733
Readers, Darwin Baker (8:00); Blake Murray (10:30)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *He Lives!* Allen Pote
Chancel Choir and Brass Quintet

Time for Young Disciples Karen Madison
At this time all children will be invited to come to the chancel steps. Children ages KINDERGARTEN AND YOUNGER are dismissed to the nursery. FIRST GRADE AND UP should remain in the sanctuary with parents.

Second Lesson John 20:1-18 Pew Bible Page 114

Sermon On Empty Dr. Mueller

Respond To God's Word

***Creed** *The Apostles' Creed* Hymnal Page 14

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

(Please pass the Friendship Folders at this time.)

Offertory *Chorale-Fantasy on "Christ the Lord has Risen"* Flor Peters
David Spencer, Warner Smock, Trumpets
Kevin Campbell and Jeff Acuff, Trombones

Note: Members of the congregation who have sung the *Hallelujah Chorus* previously are invited to join the choir in the choir loft during the offertory response.

***Offertory Response** *Praise God,* OLD HUNDREDTH
(Hymn 592) *From Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Offertory Prayer

Anthem *Hallelujah Chorus* G.F. Handel
Congregation and Chancel Choir

*Benediction

***Postlude** *Toccata, from the 5th Organ Symphonie* Charles M. Widor
Dr. Frank Contreras, Organist

PRAYER AND CARE CONCERNS

(Names in bold type indicate new prayer concerns.)

Members Horace Bibb Anne Causey **Jerry Cross** Walter Wright
Matt Fowler Ted Paludan **Doris Williams**

Others Julie Adams - mother of Tim Adams
Mac Alves - friend of Everett and Dev Mosley
Albert Baker - friend of Katie Harlan
Muriel Arceneaux - sister of Madelyn Herford
Burns Carnes - friend of Charlotte Wessel
Maricarmen Castro - New Church Development Pastor for NAP
Joy Day - friend of Susan and Howell Lee
Todd Faircloth - uncle of Maggie and Anna Adams
Phillip Floesser - child of First Friends teacher
Michael Gill - son of Nancy Gill
Hannelore Glasow - cousin of Irmie Hamner
Aaron Haulenbeek - LOGOS student
Jack Harbarger - father of Mark Harbarger
Miriam Howard - mother of Woodward Howard
The Hunt family - friends of Craig and Mary Romer
Donna Kidd - cousin of Cay Lambert
Lucy Lilly - mother of Sandy McKenzie
Britt Lovelace - friend of Leigh Brown and Libby Smith
Barbara & Ben Matthews - grandparents of Houston, Nate, Molly, & Sarah Matthews

Tom McClain - son-in-law of Bill Johnson
Kathy Lewis McCool - friend of Bill & Sydna Johnson
Kelly McCoy - friend of Florrie Rose
The family of Lewis McCurdy - friends of the Eidt family
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Partesotti and family - friends of Anne Boles
Donna Payne - Julia Fowler's first grade teacher
Bob Romer - father of Craig Romer
Eric Smith - friend of Bruce & Patricia Hacker
The family of Morris King Thompson - Betty Thompson's family
Betsy Garrison Vincent - friend of Laura & Darren Malone

Specialty Care Annabell Aust - Regency Village
Joe Burson - Brookdale Place
Dick Dickson - Magnolia Trace
Corinne Fanning - Country Cottage
Dieter Grau - Regency Village
Taylor Hamilton - Floyd E. Tut Fann Veterans Home
Barbara Harlan - Regency Village
Edna Hitt - Cogburn Nursing Home
Bill Ivy - Harbor Chase
Doris Landrum - Magnolia Trace, Willowbrook
Mildred Lilienkamp - Hearthstone
Marilyn Milner - Cogburn Nursing Home
Ernestine Roberson - Brookdale Place
Ray Rose - Big Spring Manor

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TO ADD NAMES TO THE PRAYER AND CARE LIST, please call the church office and speak with Brenda Engelking, ext. 132, or use the Prayer and Care page by printing your prayer request and placing it in the offering plate. If you know of someone who is in the hospital or need to inform the church of a death in your family, please call Brenda at the church, ext. 132. Thank you.

WELCOME VISITORS

The Session and congregation welcome you as a participant in worship. We pray that you will find this service meaningful. Worship is but one of the ministries of First Presbyterian Church.

PLEASE REMEMBER to turn off cell phones and pagers.

PLEASE SIGN IN: Both members and visitors are asked to "sign in" each Sunday on the friendship folders passed down the pews during the offering. This is our only record of your attendance.

Looking for a church home? You may talk to Dr. Mueller or an elder standing in front of the sanctuary following the 10:30 a.m. worship. A Stephen Minister, Deborah Smith, is also available in the chancel following the worship service for prayer or to answer questions about the church.

USHERS SERVING THIS

MORNING: 8:00 a.m. - Doug Madison and Becky Buckner; 10:30 a.m. - Kay Noller, Don Alan Hankins, Shelia Fogle, Cindy Caldwell, Marta Schonhoff and Karen Lastovic.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are

given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Al Moore by Amy Moore, Christopher and Bert Moore.

The flowers in the Narthex are given

to the glory of God and in memory of Annetta Barnes Martinson by Mac, Sarabeth, Mary Kathryn, Sarah Abbott and Coleman Martinson and Miriam Barnes Halsey.

The flowers in the Gideon

Blackburn House are given to the glory of God and in honor of Fred and Amy Stucky's 13th wedding anniversary.

FAMILY CAMP

Camp Maranatha
AUGUST 12-14
SAVE THE DATE!

APRIL MEMORY VERSE

If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:9

There will be a pancake breakfast TODAY from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. sponsored by our youth. Stop by fellowship hall and enjoy breakfast before going to Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church once again is offering scholarships for graduating Seniors and current college students. Applications are due by June 1. Stop by the church office to inquire and pick up an application.

Special thanks to David Spencer, Werner Smock, Angelina Anitson, Kevin Campbell, Jeff Acuff, Andrew Noble, and Joe Cochran for playing today in our Easter Services. Many thanks to those who join the Chancel Choir by singing the Hallelujah chorus.

KAIROS COOKIES DUE
Please bring your cookies to the church by **Wed., April 27th.** Please pray for the team that will minister at the prison on **April 28-30.**

Sympathy of the Congregation is expressed to Woodward Howard in the death of his father, Horace Woodward Howard. Woodward and Linda's address is 204 Cannes Circle, Brownsboro, AL 35741. Also to Jane Bond in the death of her husband, Albert Bond. Jane's address is 2908 Gallalee Rd. (01)

Kirkin' o' the Tartans
First Presbyterian Church
May 15, 2011, 10:30 a.m.

PYC NEWS

The Youth are meeting every Wednesday morning at 6:45 a.m. in the Library for Bible Study and breakfast. Also remember we will be cooking and serving pancakes to our FPC family on Easter Sunday from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Questions, call Andrew Bevel - 256-293-9692.

This week's calendar!

SUNDAY, April 24

Easter Sunday

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

6:30 a.m.- Sunrise Service
8:00 a.m.- Worship in Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.- Sunday School
9:00 a.m.- Order of St. Luke/Library
10:30 a.m.- Worship in Sanctuary
NO Presbyterian Youth Connection

MONDAY, April 25

Church Offices Closed

9:30 a.m.- DISCIPLE JITG

TUESDAY, April 26

9:30 a.m.- Yoga/Centering Prayer
12:00 p.m.- Reunion Group Bible Study
3:30 p.m.- Reunion Group Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, April 27

Kairos Cookies due/bring to the church

7:00 a.m.- PYC Bible Study/Breakfast
7:00 a.m.- Fellows Pursuing Christ
9:45 a.m.- Ladies Bible Study
1:30 p.m.- Ladies Knitting Mission
6:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE II-A
7:15 p.m.- Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, April 28

Kairos Event thru Saturday
9:00 a.m.- DISCIPLE III-A
9:00 a.m.- Reunion Group Bible Study
9:30 a.m.- Yoga/Centering Prayer
6:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE JITG

FRIDAY, April 29

8:00 a.m.- Reunion Group Bible Study
8:15 a.m.- Mom's in Touch
9:00 a.m.- DISCIPLE I

Youth Retreat @ Camp Maranatha thru Sun.

SUNDAY, May 1

Communion at 8:00 and 10:30 worship

8:00 a.m.- Worship in GBH
9:00 a.m.- Sunday School
9:00 a.m.- Order of St. Luke/Library
10:30 a.m.- Worship in Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.- Presbyterian Youth Connection
7:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE Graduation

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

pancake syrup
toothpaste
toilet paper

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In case of emergency please contact
Dr. Mueller at 256-425-3152.

APRIL/MAY EVENTS

Sunday, April 24 - Easter Sunday, Sunrise Worship Service - 6:30 a.m. in GBH courtyard

Church-wide pancake breakfast sponsored by the Youth from 7-10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.** One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

Monday, April 25 - Church Offices Closed

Wednesday, April 27 - Kairos Cookies due/bring to the church

Thursday, April 28 - 30 - Kairos Event

Friday, April 29 - May 1 - High/Middle School Retreat at Camp Maranatha

Saturday, April 30 - May 1 - Elementary Retreat/Maranatha; 2nd -5th grades

Sunday, May 1 - Sacrament of Holy Communion
7:00 p.m.- DISCIPLE Graduation

Sunday, May 8 - Mother's Day Senior Recognition Day

Friday, May 13 - Sunday May 15 - PHC and PYC Weekend at Maranatha

Sunday, May 15 - Kirkin' o' the Tartans/Church-wide Luncheon Confirmation Sunday

Friday, May 20 - First Friends Graduation

Sunday, May 29 - Jenny Dare Bryant Baptism

Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day, Church Offices Closed

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SAVE THE DATE!!

VBS

"Hometown Nazareth"

June 27-30

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

4yrs - 5th grade



It's that time again!

If you are graduating from High School, College, or Graduate School, please call or email (fpc@hsv1pres.org) the church office and let us know. We will recognize our High School graduates on May 8th.

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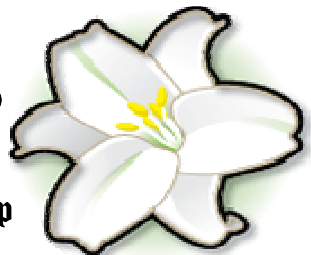
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Easter Sunday

April 24, 2011

8:00 & 10:30 A.M. Worship



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*Drawn into community,
nurtured by God's Word,
called into the world.*

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