

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

4th Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music: Hymn 725, verses 1-2

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Make a Joyful Noise" Reeves
Chapel Choir

Call to Worship

God is the source of our life.

***We come from God, and one day we will return
to God.***

All of our days are a gift from our Creator.

We come today with joy, gratitude, and hope.

* Hymn 7 "Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession Psalm 131

***O Lord, my heart is not lifted up,
my eyes are not raised too high;
I do not occupy myself with things
too great and too marvelous for me.
But I have calmed and quieted my soul,
like a weaned child with its mother;
my soul is like the weaned child
that is with me.***

***O Israel, hope in the Lord
from this time on and for evermore.***

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Response 240 (refrain)

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the Risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name!

Reception of New Members

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: John 10:22-30 (NT, p. 104)

Psalter: Psalm 23 (Hymnal 803)

A Time with Children

Anthem "Joy in the Morning" Sleeth

Second Lesson: Acts 9:36-43 (NT, 128)

Sermon: "A Woman to Remember" Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 324 "For All the Faithful Women"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory "Whispering Hope" Hawthorne

* Doxology (Hymnal 606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 643 "Now Thank We All Our God"

* Charge and Benediction

* Congregational Amen (601)

* Postlude "Blessed Assurance" Crosby/Knapp

All are invited to remain seated to listen to the postlude.

If you are leaving before it is finished, please do so quietly.

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God in memory of our mothers and grandmothers by Deb and Al Traettino.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist and Children's Choir Director	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgists	Members of the Alleluia and Chapel Choirs
	Ushers
	John Diven
Greeter	Lee Wirth



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

John 10:22-30