

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
5th Sunday in Easter

April 28, 2013

9:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music and Concerns of the Church
Prelude "Many and Great" Traditional Dakota

Call to Worship from Psalm 148

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens.

Praise God from the heights.

Praise the Lord from the earth!

God's name is exalted above earth and heaven.

* Hymn 256 (PH) "Let the Whole Creation Cry"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* 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 doubt and fear,
bound by the ways that lead to death.***

***We overlook the poor and the hungry,
and pass by those who mourn;***

***We ignore the cries of the needy,
remain indifferent to your grace,***

and abuse the earth you have made.

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 abundant life
given in Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord.***

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Easter Response

"Jubilate Deo"

Praetorious

Jubilate Deo, Jubilare Deo! Alleluia!

Reception of New Members

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: John 13:31-35 (NT, p. 108)

Psalter: Psalm 148 (OT, p. 582)

A Time with Children

Anthem

"Fey y Esperanza"

Hoiland

Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6 (NT, p. 259)

Sermon: "Thirsty for Consolation"

Rev. Carter

Sermon Series: Easter Imagination

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 527 (PH) "Near to the Heart of God"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (PH, p. 14)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

"Sarabande"

Zipoli

* Doxology (PH 592)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 538 (PH)

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "Sarabande with Variations" Handel

* All who are able shall stand.
PH Presbyterian Hymnal
Sing Sing! A New Creation (green songbook)

The flowers this morning have been given to the glory of God in memory of Thomas Abraham by his daughters, Barbara Mellander and Carole Grodack.

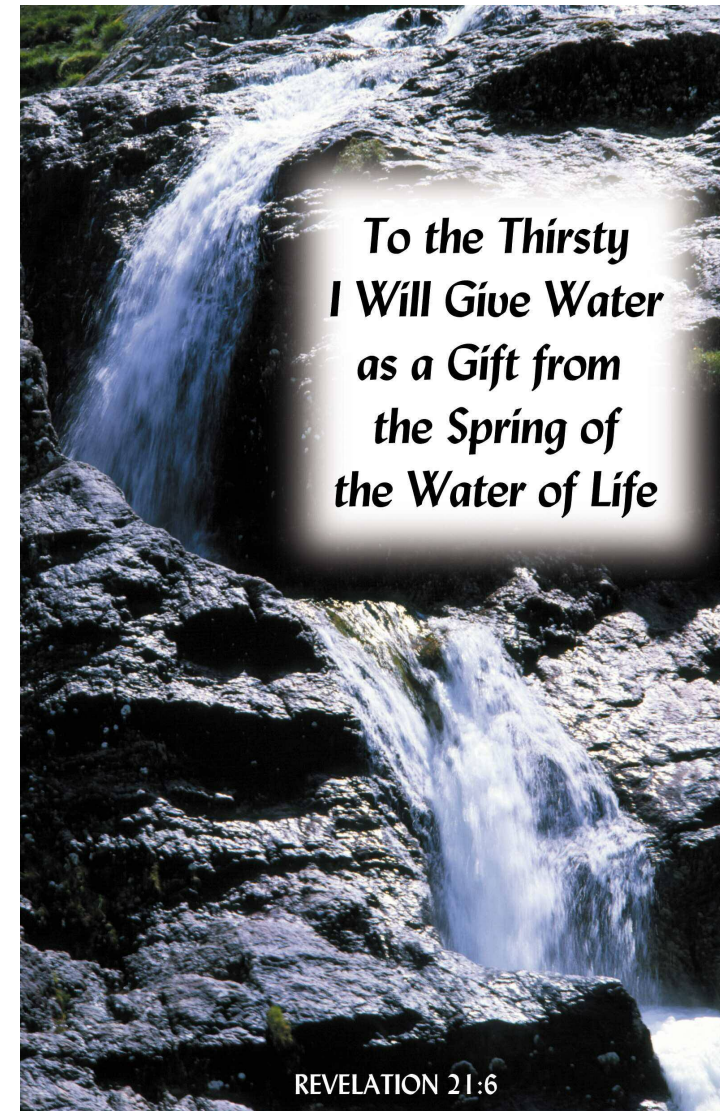
PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	William Carter
Director of Educational Ministries	Tina Ide
Director of Music	Susan Kelly
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Members of Chapel Choir
Ushers	John Conklin, Vi Dygert



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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**To the Thirsty
I Will Give Water
as a Gift from
the Spring of
the Water of Life**

REVELATION 21:6

John 13:31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Psalm 148

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,

fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

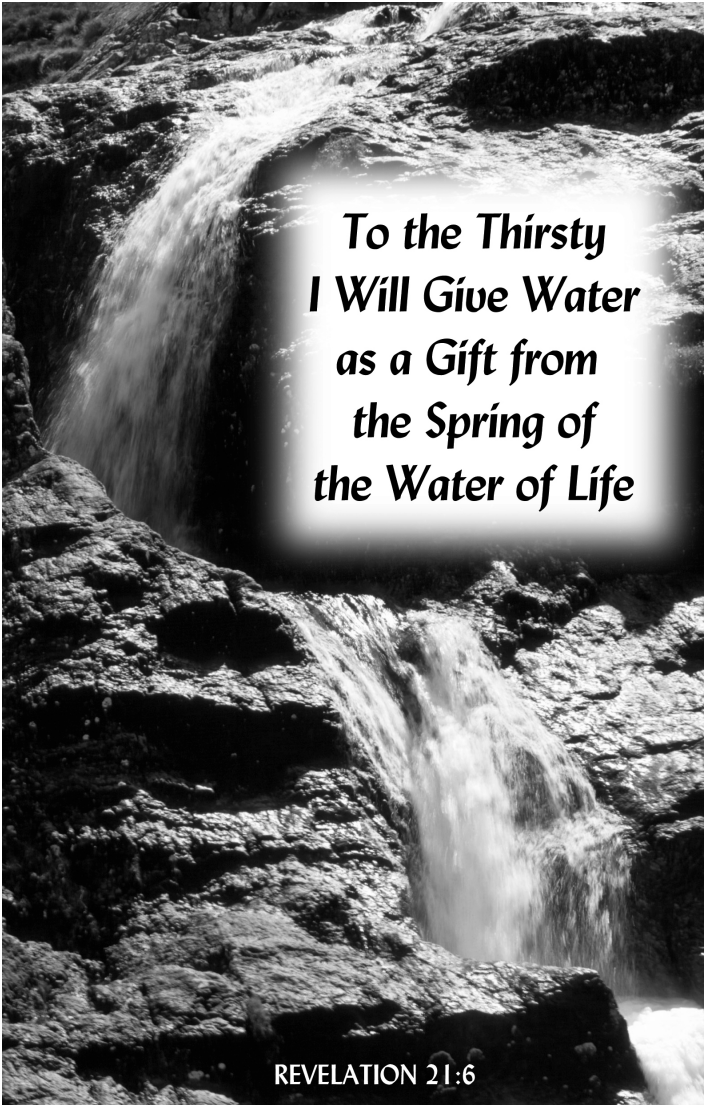
Young men and women alike, old and young together!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the Lord!

Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.” And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.



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