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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark Gabbard

Liturgist - Mary Frances Morden

Music - Kay Boyne

April 7, 2024

2nd Sunday of Easter



OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE “In a Quiet Sanctuary” (Bartlett)

INTROIT “As We Gather” (Fay/Coomes)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Behold, how good it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down over the collar of Aaron’s robes.

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

For there the Lord ordained God’s blessing, life forevermore.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Infinite wisdom, you bring the dawn of each new day. We praise your name for sending Christ with the promise of new life. You scatter the clouds of darkness so that our eyes can behold the truth of your love. You replace the finality of death with an affirmation of life without ending. You burst upon our being with each ray of sunlight, bringing light illumine our world with the presence of your redeeming grace. As we stand on the threshold of your magnificence be pleased with our worship as we utter your name. Amen

✦ HYMN “Christ Arose” **#357**

✦ LITANY OF AFFIRMATION AND ASSURANCE

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard and seen with our eyes concerning the word of life, we proclaim to you.

About First United Presbyterian Church

Church Staff

To Our Visitors

Minister: Rev. Mark D. Gabbard
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Commissioned Ruling Elder:
Brenda Ransom

Clerk of Session: Jessica Kuenzer

President of Trustees:
Michael Lussier

Chairman of Deacons:
Jeanne Shibley

Music Director/Organist:
Kay E. Boyne

Administrative Assistant:
Nicole DuFresne
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Sexton: Jason Fuller

Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us today.

✦ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM
(Children join the worship service for the first 15 minutes to hear the Children's Sermon)

✦ Sunday School - 10:15 AM
K through 12th Grade - all meet in lower level classrooms

✦ The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.

✦ An asterisk (*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.

✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.

✦ Soup and Sandwich is held the 1st Sunday of each month in the Social Hall. Please join us!

✦ If you need the Pastor after hours, call Church Office to make appointment, or ask Nicole for Pastor Mark's cell phone number.

Pastor's Office Hours: **Office Hours:**
9:15 AM to 12:00 PM 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
(Monday-Friday) (Monday-Thursday)
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Hearing Assistance devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.

Please Silence all electronics prior to worship service.



*The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:
Invite people to know and glorify God
Grow together as followers of Christ
Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit*



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

We ask that you remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week.

Gabe Litzner, Crisanne Riordan, Jamison Strange, Annette Mailles, Dolores Leuvoy, Carolyn Trumble, Terry Mason, Scott Wallace, Nellie Harrington, Aaron Corbiere, Carolyn Shaw, Della Porter, Gina Gough, Jon Burgess, Kimberly (Swick) Jewell, Jeffrey Burgess, Donna LaPlaunt, Sandy Shaw, Jane Kellan, Patricia Farnhill, Geraldine Carnahan, Lillian Donelson, Dave & Leslie Henderson, Tara Jean Brody, and all missionaries, and members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.

If you would to add individuals to the prayer list or your prayers have been answered and you would like to be removed from the list, please contact the office



WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too.

Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or call the church office. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary.

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

DEACON PRAYER CHAIN Please remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Jeanne Shibley at (906) 630-1707.

RIDES TO CHURCH If anyone needs a ride to church, please contact the church office before Friday of each week and the Deacons will arrange a pick up time.

PW ITEMS The PW famous dish cloths are for sale at \$1.25 each. Buy several—the price is right! Get yours today! Ultimate Cloths, no chemicals needed, cleans with just water using MiraFiber technology! Guaranteed 5 years general use! Come on in to the Church office and get yours for only \$6 or 5 for \$25. Presbyterian Women's Second Edition Favorite Salads cookbook is also available in the church office for only \$8!

WBS MISSION PROJECT For our April mission project, we are requesting items of need for Presbytery Point Camp. Please see the wish list below.

- ✦ Food Storage Containers (for Leftovers)
- ✦ White Laundry Baskets
- ✦ Box of SOS pads
- ✦ 12 Napkin Dispensers
- ✦ 12 Gently Used Sleeping Bags
- ✦ 12 New Pillows & Cases

A full list can be seen on our bulletin board, and in the April Newsletter. Our sincere thanks in helping to provide another fun and successful camp experience. Your generosity is appreciated by all!

BULLETIN BOARD Please visit the bulletin board across from the office for information concerning local events, news, and resources available in the community.



FUPC MEETINGS / GROUPS: *unless otherwise noted...*

Session—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (WR)

Trustees—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (LB)

Deacons—2nd Sunday at 11:15am (WR)

Presbyterian Women— 3rd Tuesday at Noon (SH)

Circle 3—2nd Thursday at 9:30am (WR)

Textile Social Group—Every Thursday from 9:30am to 1:00pm (SH)

Women's Bible Study—1st, 3rd, & 4th Wednesdays at 9:30 am (WR)

Choir Practice—Every Wednesday at 6:00pm (S)

Men's Bible Study—Every Friday at 9:00am (WR)

LB—Library MR—Music Room S—Sanctuary
SH—Social Hall WR—Westminster Room



SERVING US THIS WEEK

Greeters: Francie Waybrant

Ushers: Sara Jones, Mindy Fox, Laura Moening,
Tom Thorensen, & Heather Walsborn

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

Greeters: Francie Waybrant

Ushers: Ron Meister, David Bernier, Fred Michels,
Roger Roe, & Paul Sabourin

Last week's attendance: 111

Last week's offering: \$7,161.96

This Week's Calendar
April 7 – April 14, 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
9:00a Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15a Choir Practice (MR) 10:00a Worship Service Soup N' Sandwich	7:00p Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH)	
Wednesday	 <i>Presbyterian Church (USA)</i>	Thursday
9:30a Women's Bible Study (WR) 6:00p Choir Practice (S)		9:00a Textile Social (SH)
Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9:00a Men's Bible Study (WR)	7:00p A.A. (WR)	9:00a Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15a Choir Practice (MR) 10:00a Worship Service

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God of light, in whom is no darkness, we praise you.

The life was made manifest, and we testify to it.

God of light, in whom is no darkness, we praise you.

If we say we have fellowship with God while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth.

God of light, in whom is no darkness, we praise you.

If we confess our sins, Jesus Christ is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Jesus Christ is the expiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

✦ GLORIA PATRI “Glory Be to the Father” #812
***Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be
world without end. Amen, Amen.***

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of God be with you.
And also with you.
Greet one another in Peace.

ANTHEM “I Wonder” (Lee)

CHILDREN'S SERMON
children are dismissed to the Classrooms for Sunday School

THE WORD OF GOD

Psalm 133:1-3 (page 359, OT) (Red Bible pg. 706, OT)

I John 1: 1 - 2:2 (page 211, NT) (Red Bible pg. 289, NT)

John 20:19 – 31 (page 101, NT) (Red Bible pg. 140, NT)

SERMON “Peace Be with You”

✦ HYMN “Crown Him with Many Crowns” #45

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed
Let us say what we believe.
**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, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sitteth at 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.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH
CONGREGATIONAL LIFE
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY "Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee" (Taylor)

✦ DOXOLOGY #815
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Source of life, who raised Christ from the dead, all that we have reflects your eternal love. As those in the infant church in Jerusalem brought gifts for those in need, so we too bring offerings as a sign of our commitment and concern. Accept them as our testimony to Christ's resurrection, and cause them to be distributed so that others may live.

✦ HYMN "In His Time" #681

✦ POSTLUDE "Postlude In C" (Blake)

