

First Presbyterian Church

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 25, 2021

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME

PRELUDE Hymn-Tune Prelude on ST ANNE

Dr. Terry McRoberts

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. John White

Leader: Let those who are lame spring up and dance!

People: Let those who are blind look up and dream!

Leader: Let those who are deaf hear and rejoice!

People: Let those who are mute shout and sing!

Leader: For God's power is at work in this place and in our lives.

ALL: Let us praise the name of the Lord forever, and celebrate God's presence

among us!

MUSIC The Prayer Foster, Sager, Testa, Renis

Lindsey Patterson, soloist

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Courtney Bowen

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Courtney Bowen

Gracious God, as we gather together this morning, we gather with the knowledge that you have called us to this place. Here, O God, you nurture and sustain us in the midst of life's trials. Here, O God, you speak to us words of guidance and comfort. Here, O God, you challenge us to be all that we have been created to be. And it is here, O God, that we are convicted of our sins, and challenged to live more fully as your children. Help us, we pray, to comprehend our brokenness. Open our eyes to the ways that we abandon you and one another, and enable us to repent, and seek your healing. Work within us to bring about a new and right spirit and renew us when we are close to despair. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Courtney Bowen

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor requite us according to our

iniquities.

ALL: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love

towards those who fear God. As far as the east is from the west, so far does God

remove our sins from us!

THE WORD

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM, Hart Morrison Hayes (See insert)

HYMN 486 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise (verses 1 and 3)

Lindsey Patterson, soloist

KINGDOM

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. Courtney Bowen

MINUTE FOR MISSION: BLUE SUNDAY FOR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION Kathelene White

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. John White

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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EPISTLE READING 1 John 3:16-24

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GOSPEL READING Acts 4:5-12

Rev. John White

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SERMON "Salvation has a Name" Rev. John White



RESPONSE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From The Apostles Creed)

Rev. Courtney Bowen

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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from whence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,

HYMN 246 Christ is Alive (Verses 1, 3 and 4)

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

TRURO

OFFERING Rev. Courtney Bowen

*Doxology (Tune: 591)

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

*Dedicatory Prayer Rev. Courtney Bowen

SENDING

*CHARGE Rev. John White

*BENEDICTION Rev. John White

POSTLUDE Allegretto Scholze
Dr. Terry McRoberts