

First Presbyterian Church

**Welcomes you for Worship
April 15, 2018**

**Rev. David Smith
Minister**



Our Vision

**By the grace of Jesus Christ,
We will strive to share the
Good News with the world,
To nurture our faith, and to
Go into the world sharing
Christ's love and mercy.**

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Youth Sunday

April 15, 2018

10:15 am

Assemble in God's Name

BIBLICAL AND INFORMAL GREETING

*Following brief announcements, the congregation is invited to prepare in silence for worship.
Please use this time to pray, to meditate, or to read the Scriptures for today.*

PRELUDE

"Jesus Loves Me"
Constance and Annalyn Warner

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Just and merciful God, you speak through the prophets,
challenging us to seek peace rooted in justice.

Help us to hear your urgent call.

Loving God, in Jesus you change our lives for good,
challenging us to work for reconciliation.

Help us to see your way of truth and love.

With-us God, your Holy Spirit moves us to action,
challenging us to live the Good News.

Help us to respond wholeheartedly,

here and now – to say Yes!

Amen! (Iona Abbey Worship Book)

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

"Over time, over space, over matter, over thought, you are our God, in all and through all. The noises of war are loud in your ears, as is the cry of a newborn child. You share the excitement of those pioneering research as well as the last breaths of those nearing death. And in Christ, all the pain and potential in the world are held together in the hope of healing. Be present to us here, gracious God, and let your Spirit open us to glimpse that fairer world which you intend for us and for all people."
Amen. (Iona Abbey Worship Book)

***HYMN NO. 466 (Blue Hymnal) "O for A Thousand Tongues to Sing"**

AZMON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"For our incapacity to feel the sufferings of others, and our tendency to live comfortably with injustice, God forgive us. For the self-righteousness which denies guilt, and the self-interest which strangles compassion, God forgive us. For those who live their lives in careless unconcern, who cry 'Peace, peace' when there is no peace, we ask your mercy. For our failings in community, our lack of understanding, we ask your mercy. For our lack of forgiveness, openness, sensitivity, God forgive us. For the times we were too eager to be better than others, when we are too rushed to care, when we are too tired to bother, when we don't really listen, when we are too quick to act from motives other than love, God forgive us." (Wild Goose Big Book of Liturgies)

PERIOD OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In the name of God, the father, Son and Holy Spirit, our plea for absolution has been heard.
God's promises are sure: our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of the risen Christ be with you!

And also with you!

*RESPONSE

“Gloria Patri”

No. 579 (Blue Hymnal)

Proclaim God’s Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE CHILDREN’S SERMON

Abby Miller

PRAISE SONG

“Alleluia, Praise the Lord”
PresbyPraise

Nigerian, author unknown

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 4
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

OT Pg. 490

ANTHEM

“Cornerstone”
Glorify!

Myrin/Morgan/Liljero/Bradbury

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus blood and righteousness.

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly trust in Jesus Name.

Chorus: Christ alone. Cornerstone. Weak made strong in the Saviors love.

Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace.

In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

(Chorus)

When He shall come with trumpet sound, oh may I then in Him be found.

Dressed in His righteousness alone. Faultless stand before the throne.

(Chorus)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 3:12-19
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

NT Pg. 120

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“Open Minds”

Isaac Warner

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

*HYMN NO. 467 (Blue Hymnal)

“How Great Thou Art”

O STORE GUD

Give Thanks To God

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

The congregation will be led in prayer, concluding with our Lord's Prayer (traditional, page 16 of the hymnal).

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*We use "debts" and "debtors."*)

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Please sign the Fellowship Register and pass it on.

OFFERTORY

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

E. L. Diemer

*DOXOLOGY

No. 592 (Blue Hymnal)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to our God.

God, we offer to you only a portion of what you have given us. All that we have is from your creative hand. All that we can give away we do through Jesus' love. All our renewal comes from the Holy Spirit's wisdom. Deal graciously with these gifts so that others may have joy; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Go In God's Name

*HYMN NO. 30 (White Hymnal)

"Great is the Lord"

*DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"Praeludium I"
Hannah and Abby Miller

J.S. Bach

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**Indicates those who are able, please stand.*

WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME to all visitors who are worshiping with us this morning. If you are visiting, we would welcome the opportunity to tell you more about our church family. Please sign the Fellowship Register in your pew and include information that will enable us to be in touch.

THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God by Nancy and Mike McCartney.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS:

WORSHIP LEADER: Youth

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Youth

JUNIOR CHURCH: None

SIP N CHAT: Christian Education and Youth

SOUND SYSTEM:

FLOWER DELIVERY: The Congregation

ACOLYTE:

USHERS: Susan Butler, Fred Hunter, John & Vivian Hammat

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER WORSHIP FOR SIP N CHAT. We also invite you to take part in the life of this congregation by participating in any activity that can help you on your spiritual journey. Regular Sunday activities are:

9:00 – Sunday School

10:15—Worship Service

11:30—Sip N Chat in Fellowship Hall

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE YOUTH THAT PARTICIPATED IN TODAY'S SERVICE! THANK YOU ALSO TO GLORIFY!.

THERE WILL BE CARDS FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS FOR FRIENDS AND MEMBERS TO SIGN TODAY. Look for the table outside fellowship hall. Thank you to the deacons for sending these cards in the spring and fall to encourage our students in their studies.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES AND DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF GENE EVANS. Gene was Roger Akeman's uncle.

THE SIP N CHAT CALENDAR FOR 2018 HAS BEEN POSTED. PLEASE SIGN UP! We have plenty of open dates. Simple snacks are fine. The next few open dates are April 29, May 13 and May 27.

APRIL 24TH IS OUR NEXT COMMUNITY MEAL. We will be serving beef goulash, corn, tossed salad, bread and dessert. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board if you would like to help out.

GOPACKS TOP CHEF CHALLENGE - On Friday, April 27th GoPacks will be hosting the GoPacks Top Chef Challenge at the Marietta Shrine Club to raise funds to continue and expand their program in the 2018-19 school year. During the event, three local chefs will create original recipes, on stage that must include items that are sent home in GoPacks! The event will also include a catered dinner and culinary themed silent & live auctions. For tickets, see Heather Warner; prices are \$30 per person, \$50 a couple, and \$200 for a table of 8.

JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS LUNCH AFTER CHURCH ON MAY 6TH. No reservations needed, no waiting in line, no wondering what to fix for lunch and no cleaning up afterwards. A free will offering will be accepted with 100% of the proceeds going to help with the cost of putting on the Neighborhood Jam 2018. The menu is chicken stuffing casserole, green beans, fruit salad, dinner roll, ice cream cake and a beverage.

SAVE THE DATE! ON MAY 20TH DURING THE SERVICE, WE WILL BE HONORING ALL THE MUSIC ENSEMBLES. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.

THE 2018 FLOWER CALENDAR HAS BEEN POSTED. You can sign up to purchase flowers for a Sunday. The cost is \$15. Please email or call the office with the message you would like to appear in the bulletin for that Sunday. Dates that are available in the next few months are July 8, August 5 and August 26.

SPRING RING IS NEXT SUNDAY EVENING AT 7 PM AT THE BASILICA. Come listen as our Westminster Bell choir joins other area bell choirs for individual and mass numbers.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK OF

April 15 – April 22

Sunday – Youth Sunday

9:00 – Adult SunSch
9:00 – PresbyPraise
9:15 – Youth/Child SS
10:15 – Worship
11:30 – Sip N Chat
11:45 – Glorify!
5:00 – Youth Group

Monday

5:30 – Mid- Ohio Valley
Interfaith

Tuesday

5:00 – Glorify! Combo
5:00 – Book Club
6:00 – EVE

Wednesday

3:20 – Scholars
5:00 – Westminster Bells
6:30 – Joyful Hearts
7:15 – Chancel Choir

Thursday

5:30 – Girl Scouts
6:00 – Finance
7:00 – AA

Friday

Saturday

8:00 – Men's Fellowship
9:00 – AA
10:00 – SDA Church School
& Worship

Next Sunday

Scriptures:
Acts 4:32-33
John 10:11-18
Sermon: "Shepherd's Care"