

# W CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

3rd Sunday of Easter  
April 15, 2018

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome

Brad Clayton

Prelude

Rod Gorby

\*Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Sophie Beckham

Great Spirit of God, You have healed our wounds.  
**You have brought us from paths of hurt and anger.**  
You have blessed our life that we might be a blessing to others.  
**Let us worship You in great joy.**

\*Hymn No. 451

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

Call to Confession

Keagan Barrett

Prayer of Confession

God of forgiveness,  
**Our greed and our lust for power create enemies where we should find friends.**  
**We fail to offer comfort and aid to those who are afraid and beat down by the**  
**burdens of life. We are as blind and willful as Saul to the pain and the destruction**  
**of our wrongdoings and our well-meaning crusades.**  
(*silent reflection*)

Forgive us, merciful One.

**Give us sight to see with Your eyes, that we may bring hope and peace to our world.**

Kyrie

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri

**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.**

\*The Passing of the Peace

Keagan Barrett

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(During the Passing of the Peace, children are invited to come forward for the time with our young disciples.)*

## Proclamation of the Word

### Prayer With Our Young Disciples

Trinity Whitley

*(There is no Children's Worship Today. After the children's time, K-2nd graders may return to worship with their families. Parents are welcome to take 3-5 year olds to the playground for Children's Enrichment.)*

### Scripture Lesson

Acts 9:1-19 (*pew Bible p. 893*)

Brad Clayton

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

*Called Like Paul*

Brad Clayton

## Response to the Word

### \*Hymn No. 720

*Jesus Calls Us*

### Offering

### Offertory

*Lord, You Call Us*  
by Michael Burkhardt

Chancel Choir

Lord, You call us, as Your people, out of darkness into light. You created and redeemed us, made us precious in Your sight. Give us faith to trust You boldly and to love You steadfastly. By Your Spirit may we ever faithful to our calling be.

Lord, You call us, as disciples, walking on Your pilgrim way. Crucified and risen Savior, You are with us every day. Give us wisdom; give us courage as You teach us patiently. By Your Spirit may we ever faithful to our calling be.

Lord, You send us to the harvest in Your Great Commission's call, reaching out to all the nations, bringing life and hope to all. Give us boldness and compassion; bless us with Your eyes to see. By Your Spirit may we ever faithful to our calling be.

Lord, You call us to new ventures by a pathway yet unknown. Though we cannot see the ending, we will follow You alone, knowing that Your hand is guiding, and You love us faithfully. By Your Spirit may we ever faithful to our calling be.

Lord, You call us as Your people, joined in faith we sing Your praise: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Alleluias to You raise. Hold us in Your gracious power, blessed Holy Trinity, that rejoicing we will ever faithful to our calling be.

Prayer of Dedication (*responsive*)

Sophie Beckham

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

\*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith

*The Apostle's Creed*

Trinity Whitley

**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, dead, 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 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.**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Trinity Whitley

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*Hymn No. 450

*Be Thou My Vision*

## Sending Out Into the World

\*Charge & Benediction

Brad Clayton

\*Choral Response

*Amen*

Hymnal p. 601

Postlude

Rod Gorby

### New Member Class

Want to learn more about Faith Presbyterian or feel ready to join? Attend our next New Member Class on two consecutive Wednesday evenings, **April 18 and 25**, 6-7 p.m. in Room 110. We begin with dinner in Fellowship Hall at 5 p.m. Childcare is provided. Please RSVP with Trinity Whitley, [trinity@faithpcusa.org](mailto:trinity@faithpcusa.org).

*Live Simply, Love Generously, Serve Faithfully, Speak Truthfully, Pray Daily,  
and Leave Everything Else to God*

**Missions Luncheon.** This summer's Key West mission team invites you to lunch TODAY in Fellowship Hall right after worship. On the menu is the Shelley's Famous Key West Chicken, salad, and dessert. Donations for the luncheon are welcome to help support the mission trip.

**Wednesday Night Alive.** Join us each Wednesday for dinner at 5 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by programs for all ages at 6 p.m. This week's menu: bbq chicken, mac & cheese, salad, biscuits, peach cobbler. Note that **April 25** will be the last Wednesday Night Alive for this semester.

**Faith Formation.** The April Faith Formation series, coinciding with Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance), is *Jewish-Christian Relations & The Holocaust*. This week Linda Davies will present *History of the Holocaust*. Wednesday, 6 p.m., in the Parlor.

**UKirk Workday.** You are invited to help UKirk beautify their grounds on Saturday, **April 21**. Meet at 548 W. Park Avenue around 8:30 a.m. Bring a water bottle, gloves and basic gardening tools. Questions? Contact Lew Shelley at [leshelley44@gmail.com](mailto:leshelley44@gmail.com).

**Book Talk.** The April Book Talk is Thursday, **April 26**, 10 a.m., in the Library. Marsha Walper will lead a discussion of *Hallelujah Anyway: Rediscovering Mercy* by Anne Lamott.

**Leadership Retreat.** There will be a leadership retreat for all current deacons and elders on Friday and Saturday, **April 27 and 28**. We'll start with dinner on Friday at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, and reconvene Saturday morning at 9 a.m. Rev. Dr. Roy Martin, General Presbyterian, will be the retreat facilitator. We will finish with lunch on Saturday, followed by the April Stated Session Meeting. Please RSVP with Cheri Harkema, [cheri@faithpcusa.org](mailto:cheri@faithpcusa.org), by **April 22**.

**Spring for Faith.** The Second Annual *Spring for Faith* is Sunday, **April 29**, immediately after worship. There will be yummy food and fun activities for the entire family as we share the wonderful ministries of Faith Presbyterian Church and celebrate the wondrous and varied contributions our church and its members make to our community. "Travel" to the various Faith destinations in Fellowship Hall, see what your church is up to, and get ideas how you too can be a faithful servant in God's work. Bring a hearty appetite and be ready to join in the fun!

**Faith and Art.** The Presbyterian Women invite you to join in an hour-long interactive workshop that encourages us to engage with our faith through art. We will collaborate through reflective activity to create worship art for display in the Sanctuary. The workshop is Sunday, **April 29**, at 4 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP with Elaine Youngblood, [elaine.youngblood@mediacombb.net](mailto:elaine.youngblood@mediacombb.net), or 850-629-1005. There is no charge for this event.

**Presbyterian Women Spring Luncheon** is Sunday, **May 6**, 11:45 a.m., in Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$10. Please RSVP to Kelly Hutchinson, 850-320-3448, [kellykhutchinson@yahoo.com](mailto:kellykhutchinson@yahoo.com). All women welcome!

**Graduating?** If you or your child are graduating from high school or college, we would love to include that information in our **May 20** Baccalaureate Service. Please send the following information to [shannon@faithpcusa.org](mailto:shannon@faithpcusa.org) by **May 1**: name, parents' names, school attended, post-graduation plans, school awards and/or accomplishments, statement to the church, and a photo.

**Memorial Day Volunteers Needed.** Please consider volunteering to deliver Meals on Wheels with Faith friends on Memorial Day, **May 28**. If you can help this year, please contact Scott or Ann Ford, 386-1844.

#### Stewardship Update

Budget YTD: \$314,184  
Received YTD: \$352,313  
Spent YTD: \$293,832



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