
3rd Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 116)

Victor Jenkins, Liturgist

One: I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

All: Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

One: What shall I return to the LORD for all his bounty to me?

All: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.

One: O LORD, I am your servant.

All: You have loosed my bonds.

One: I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

All: LORD, we now worship in your midst – Praise the LORD!

*HYMN #473 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us now ask God to cleanse our hearts, to redeem our memories, and to renew our confidence in the goodness of God.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

God is the giver of all good things, the one who fashioned each of us with unique gifts that together make the Body of Christ whole. In gratitude for all we have received, let us now give back a fraction of those gifts in our tithes and offerings.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

Merciful God, you have made of us an Easter people, ready to tell the news of death's defeat. We again offer to share our joy, our time, our talents and our money. We are alive with hope, accompanied by glory, as we walk along the road with Jesus. We ask that you might bless our gathering, our gifts, and our going forth in the name of your Son. Amen.

*HYMN #361 "How Firm a Foundation"

CHARGE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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*For those who are able, please stand.

First Presbyterian Church Baldwinsville, NY

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- **Today's Ushers:** Barb Winegard & Tom Eckrote
- **Coffee Hour:** today is hosted by Peg Brussel
- **The Samaritan Center:** Sunday, April 30, 12:30 – 3:00, if you wish to carpool, we will leave the church parking lot at Noon. To volunteer, please contact Kathy Bowen at kathyharp1626@gmail.com or 315 638 8749
- **Worship & Music:** Mon., May 1, 10:30, Media Center
- **Book Club:** Tues., May 2, 10:00, Fireside Room
- **Spring Grounds Clean-Up:** Sat., May 6, 9:00 a.m. Please stay for pizza and chocolate chip cookies after! A rain date is set for Sun., May 8 after the Baked Potato Luncheon.
- **Baked Potato Luncheon:** Sunday, May 7, 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, hosted by the Special Gifts Committee. We'll have baked potatoes hot from the oven with your choice of a dozen different toppings!

Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

Nancy Dobbins; Lillian Olsen



Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

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WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Risen Lord Jesus, there are so many times that we fail to recognize you. Sometimes we are so full of ourselves, that it becomes all too easy to block you out of our lives. We often neglect your written Word and deny ourselves the many signs pointing to you. There are times when we don't recognize you in our neighbor, or in the guise of the poor or the dispossessed. Our eyes and ears have become so crammed with the sights and sounds of living that we simply fail to see you or to recognize your voice. Risen Lord Jesus, help us to empty ourselves of all that hinders our awareness of your presence with us. Fill us with the joy of knowing your continuing presence, so that, like those travelers on the road to Emmaus, we too, hasten to share this great good news with others. Amen.

One: Now that we have confessed as a body, let us take the truths that have troubled our hearts to God silently. Let us not be worried about the awkwardness of silence, as we take some time to focus on speaking with our God.

SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patri #579

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

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FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:14a, 36-41
red Bible p.1325, black Bible p.119

Liturgist

MUSICAL OFFERING

SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 1:17-23 ***Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret***
red Bible p. 1474, black Bible p. 232

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:13-35 ***Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret***
red Bible p. 1287, black Bible p. 90

SERMON "On Our Walk to Emmaus"

Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret

WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed (UNISON)

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 on 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.

*HYMN #507 "I Come with Joy"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

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