

First Presbyterian Church
Morning Worship
April 24, 2016

Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor.
**Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.*

PRELUDE: " Peaceful, no. II " Handbell Choir

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Robert H. Ramey

MINUTE FOR PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN Cindy Zook

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP:Ray Beale

Leader: God is here to receive our praise.

People: *God is worthy of our adoration.*

Leader: God is here to receive our confession.

People: *God is near to the brokenhearted.*

Leader: God is here to transform our minds and hearts.

People: *Let us joyfully worship God.*

***HYMN OF WORSHIP 461** "God Is Here!"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Ray Beale

Most gracious and merciful God, we confess to you and one another that time after time we have come to worship, but our hearts have been closed to your grace. We have folded our hands in praise, but our feet have still been walking down wrong paths. We have rehearsed your commandments, but we have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbors. Forgive, O Lord, our lack of faith and pardon our acts of injustice. Grant us healing that comes from your forgiveness. Hear our prayers as we continue in silence....

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:.....Ray Beale

Leader: Some say it is good works that put us right with God.

People: *We believe it is amazing grace.*

Leader: Some claim we must measure up to be acceptable to God.

People: *We believe in the profound mercy of God.*

Leader: Some say our salvation depends on what we do.

People: *We believe that God is the author and finisher of our faith.*

Leader: Friends, let us celebrate the good news of the gospel.

People: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!*

***Gloria Patri:**.....(579)..... GREATOREX, 1851
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.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS:

Offering in Music "Be Thou My Vision" Handbell Choir

*Doxology:..... (page 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

* Prayer of Dedication

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES: Kathy Dolianitis

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

ANTHEM: "O God , Beyond All Praising" Dan Forrest

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you have to say to us today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

LESSON:(pg.787/749)..... Luke 24: 13-35

SERMON: "The Stranger on the Road" Rev. Dr. Robert H. Ramey

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** (Hymnal Pg. 14) ...The Apostles' Creed

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 OF WORSHIP 525** "Here I Am, Lord"

BENEDICTION

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE:** "The Forehand Benediction" (Choir)
Forehand / Allen

POSTLUDE: " Grand Choeur" Cesar Franck

SPECIAL THANKS....

To the Rev. Dr. Robert H. Ramey,
Retired Professor of Ministry, Columbia Theological Seminary,
for filling the pulpit today in Rev. Thompson's absence.

SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School..... Harriet Beale
Sunday School K-2..... Rebecca Atkinson, Chris Moore
Sunday School 3-5..... Jennifer Stowe, Sara Weller
Elder as Host..... C.B. Strange, Gary Wimer
Friendship Period..... Harriet Beale, Marie-Louise Crane
Deacon to Receive Offering..... Harriet Beale
Officers to Count Offering..... Barrett/Kile
Flower Distribution..... Day Circle
Church School Superintendent..... Gail Davis
Liturgist..... Ray Beale
Time for Young Disciples..... Kathy Dolianitis
Sound System..... Sam Meadema
Lunch Ministry Apr. 30..... Bob Newnam, Susan Mathena

Praise God for Last Sunday

Sunday School Attendance ----- 38

Worship Attendance ----- 90

Tithes & Offerings ----- \$4388.76

*"The flowers are given in Loving Memory of
Eric Obye and Peggy Obye
By Linda Obye"*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We provide nursery care from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and Sunday school for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

PASTORAL CONCERNS— Anne Banks, Chuck Bolt, Pat Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Beth Brown, Mary Ann Burton, Nelson R. Clark, Jay Covington (Jean White’s nephew), Ruby Crowell, Maude Dalton, Ronnie Dinkle, Rev. Cecil Eanes, R. L. Clifton, W. J. “Buck” Collins, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Betty Fitzgerald, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Chris Kile, Ruth Lawton, Grace Litzenberg, Thomas Peyton Mahaffey, Larry Mann, Jake McGee, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, Alex Mitchell, A.B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Richard Russell (Ina Ingram’s brother), Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Diane Shelton, Pat Tyler, Russell Vandiver, Nultie Wiseman, Alan Sweeney, Conner Jones, Sarah Fischer (Sally Clark’s Mother) Grace Dahl, Bill Brown

ON THE MEND (praise & gratitude for improved condition) Gwen Bacon, Robert Brooks, Reva Goss, Kelvin Gunn, Glenda Hyde, Ina Ingram, Ruth Meadors, Joyce Perez

The prayer ministry group is sponsoring prayer walks around our block after worship each Sunday. If you would like to join, meet at the primary Sutherland Ave. entrance following the worship service.

All women are invited to join the May Friendship Celebration of Church Women United on May 6th, 10:30 a.m. at High Street Baptist Church. Please bring your least coins

All women are invited to attend the tea in your honor being held on Sunday, May 1st, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We will also bestow an Honorary Lifetime Membership to one of you! So please mark your calendars and plan to join us for friendship and fun.

If you have information for the Sunday bulletin, please provide to Natalie Langley at office@fpcdanville.com by the preceding Tuesday. If you would like an insert to be printed and included in the bulletin, please request it at least 10 days in advance. Thank you!

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONDAY, Apr. 25

9:00 a.m. Day School
 9:30 a.m. Prayer Group
 4:30 p.m. Education Committee
 6:30 p.m. Membership Committee

TUESDAY, Apr.26

9:00 a.m. Day School
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
 6:15 p.m. Handbells
 7:00 p.m. Good News Choir

WEDNESDAY, Apr.27

9:00 a.m. Day School
 12:15 p.m. Chapel Service
 6:00 p.m. Youth Group

THURSDAY, Apr.28

9:00 a.m. Day School
 5:30p.m. Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, Apr. 29

..... Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, Apr. 30

10:45 a.m. Lunch Ministry Bible Study
 1 1:00 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, May.1

9:00 a.m.....Worship Committee
 9:45 a.m... ..Sunday School: **(Child Care Provided)**
 Middle & High School(Room 112)
 Adult Bible Fellowship Class(Room 314)
 Outlook Class(Room 322)
 Seekers Bible Class(Room 109)
 11:00 a.m. Worship Sanctuary
 After Time for Young Disciples:
 K-2..... Room 304

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THE DIACONATE

2016 Marie-Louise Crane David Hyde Susan Mathena John Parris	2017 David Parris Mike Reynolds Kent Shelton Becky Meadema	2018 Ava Barrett Harriet Beale Kathy Dolianitis David Swann
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Welcome

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you are visiting, we invite you to join us for refreshments after the service in Dunlinsion-Roberts Hall.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

First Presbyterian Church has scholarship funds available.

- ◆ **For an application, call the church office (792-7822 ext. 1) or email: office@fpcdanville.com**
- ◆ **DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION IS: MAY 31, 2016**
- * **Late applications will not be considered.**
- ◆ **Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of financial need, academic achievement, stipulations of the wills and availability of funds.**
- ◆ **Emailed completed applications are preferred**