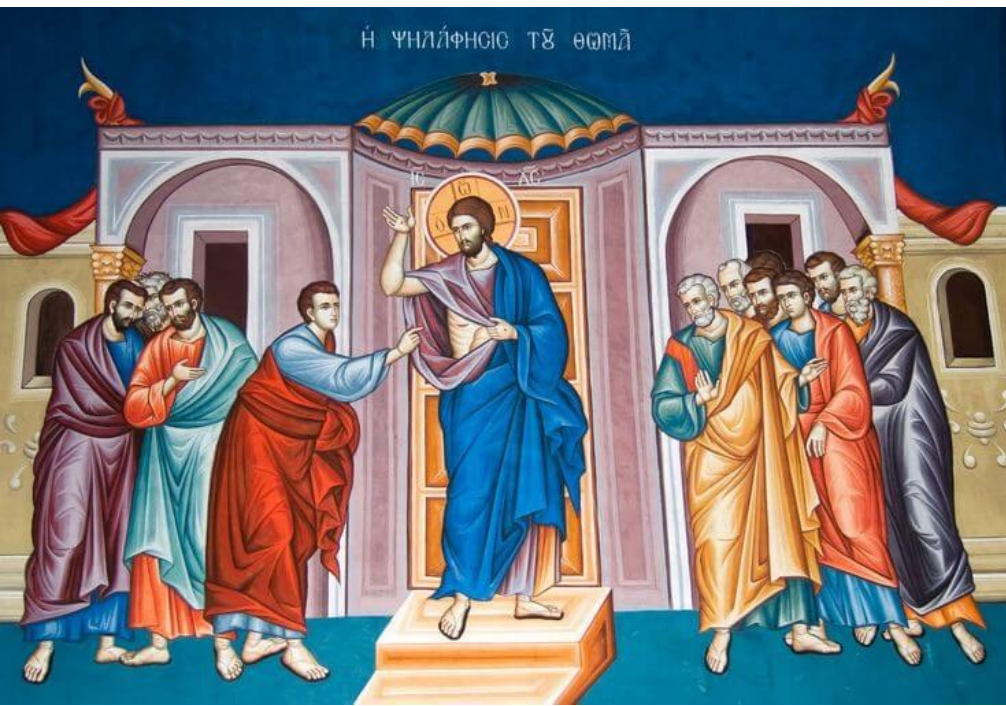


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Sermon Notes:

You may still contribute to One Great Hour of Sharing. Please write checks to FPC & put OGHS in the memo line.

A Warm Welcome

We would love to have you join our church family. If you are moved to do so by the Lord, please talk to one of the elders or our pastor.

To the members of First Pres.,
Thank you all for the healing prayers for me during my recovery. It is slow. I hope to be back to church very soon. God bless you all.
Fondly, Kathleen Harris

We thank Jeanne Anderson for filling in for Ashley Robey this morning. Thank you for sharing your musical talents with us today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today Please greet your neighbors and pass the Fellowship Pad

Monday April 13 Evening Circle 7pm

Tuesday April 14 Handbells 5pm

Tuesday April 14 Ladies Dinner 6pm

Session 6:30pm

Wednesday April 15 Finance 5pm

Wednesday Night Dinner 6pm

Thursday April 16 Thursday Bible Study 10:30am

Choir 4:30pm

Saturday April 18 Sat. Lunch Ministry 11:30am

Sunday April 19 Mission Committee 9am

We will have Estella's chicken, steamed veggies, salad, a tasty dessert, and tea/coffee for our Wednesday night dinner. Team 2 is in charge. Please use the reservation form in the bulletin or call the office by noon Wednesday if you plan to attend.

The Evening Circle will meet at the home of Harriet Beale, on Westmoreland Ct., April 13th at 7pm. All women are invited to attend for the bible study with Joyce Perez and fellowship with other members. For more information you may call Bernadine Hayes at 434-799-5662.

If you are applying or reapplying to college-it's time to get your scholarship application from FPC. Call the church office for more info. We will email or mail you an application today! Deadline is April 30th!

SERVING TODAY

Minister of Discipleship Jackson Weller

Guest Music Director Jeanne Anderson

Video/Sound Alex Walthall

Liturgist Nancy Clayton

Greeter Eddie Blount

Side door/Offering Gail Jones

Counters Beale

List of Session members

Class of 2026: Ava Barrett, Barry Cutright, Gail Jones, Kim Wimer

Class of 2027: Harriet Beale, Pat Pinckney, Joan Reynolds, Kent Shelton

Class of 2028: Eddie Blount, Jr., Sam Meadema, Jackie Rockford, Alex Walthall

Trustees: Bob Newnam, Ray Beale, Gary Wimer

2026 Budget Update

	February 2026	FY 2026
Expenditures	\$38,205.33	\$78,116.13
Revenues	\$47,304.17	\$56,758.95
Difference	\$ 9,098.84	-\$21,357.18)

If you enter the hospital, your church will have no way of knowing unless you notify us. Please let us know of your hospital stay so that we may respond with pastoral care.

THE COLUMNS
OF THE

First Presbyterian Church

Danville, Virginia

April 12, 2026

2nd Sunday of Easter



Welcome

This church opens wide its doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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A Service for the Worship of God

GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

Please greet your neighbors and pass the Fellowship Pad to them.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE "Christ Arose" Robert Lowry, arr. James Koerts

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Great is the mystery of the faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

People: The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

*HYMN#268

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

INVOCATION

Father, thank You for this moment. Thank you for being faithful, even when we are not. We celebrate Your goodness, mercy, and kindness. May our hearts overflow with thanks as we lift You high. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, your Word teaches us that whether we live or whether we die, we are yours. Forgive us for forgetting your gracious promise of life. We live in fear, thinking death has the final say. We follow our own ways rather than your life-giving path in Jesus Christ. Help us put our trust in you, our God who has the power of life over death. We believe, Lord; help our unbelief. In the name of Jesus Christ, risen from the dead never to die again, we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The scriptures teach: "If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." **We confess that Jesus is Lord and we believe and celebrate the good news that God raised him from the dead.** Trust in this promise: In Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

SIGNS OF RECONCILIATION

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us the children of God, having confessed our sins and been reconciled to God, having been assured of God's graciousness and mercy, stand and offer that same peace and reconciliation to our brothers and sisters in Christ, forgiving each other and offering grace and peace.

Please remain standing for the "Gloria Patri."

*RESPONSE

"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.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. With glad and generous hearts, let us present our tithes and offerings.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious and loving God, we bring our tithes and offerings to you in celebration and thanksgiving for the good news of Easter. Give us your wisdom and grace to use what you have given us for ministries of love and compassion that will share the love of Jesus Christ. Accept what we give in response to what you have so freely given to us, your indescribable gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

OFFERTORY "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

from Lyra Davidica, 1708/The Compleat Psalmist, 1749 | Arr. by James Koerts

*DOXOLOGY

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN#463

"How Firm a Foundation"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, we know that all Scripture is inspired by you and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to you may be proficient, equipped for every good work. As we hear the good news this Easter season, may we come to believe more and more that Jesus is the Messiah, your Son and that through believing we may have life in his name. Amen.

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURES:

(388/405)

Psalm 16

(769/808)

John 20:19-31

(857/899)

1 Peter 1:3-9

SERMON

"Between Fear and Faith"

Jackson Weller

*HYMN#611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

POSTLUDE "Thine is the Glory" G.F. Handel, arr. James Koerts

*BENEDICTION

***Please stand if able.**

**Hymn lyrics projected on the screen can be found in the "Glory to God" hymnal in the pew.*