

First Presbyterian Church
Lake Park, Iowa
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10:30am

April 22, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Musical Prelude

L/ He is Risen! Alleluia!

C/ Alleluia! He is Risen Indeed!

Announcements

Passing of the peace

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 34)

L/ I will sing of my Lord at all times; God's praises will ever be on my tongue.

C/ My soul boasts in the Lord, for God hears the cries of the poor and oppressed and God delivers them!

L/ When we seek the Lord, He answers and delivers from our fears and doubts.

C/ Taste and see the Lord is good, blessed is the one who takes refuge in God.

L/ Fear the Lord, all you saints, for God provides for those who fear Him.

Hymn of Praise: #21 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Opening Prayer

L/ God of glory, fill your church with the power of family that flows from the resurrection. In the midst of this sinful world, make us a renewed community risen to Life and grant us the wisdom and strength to care for each other in Christ.

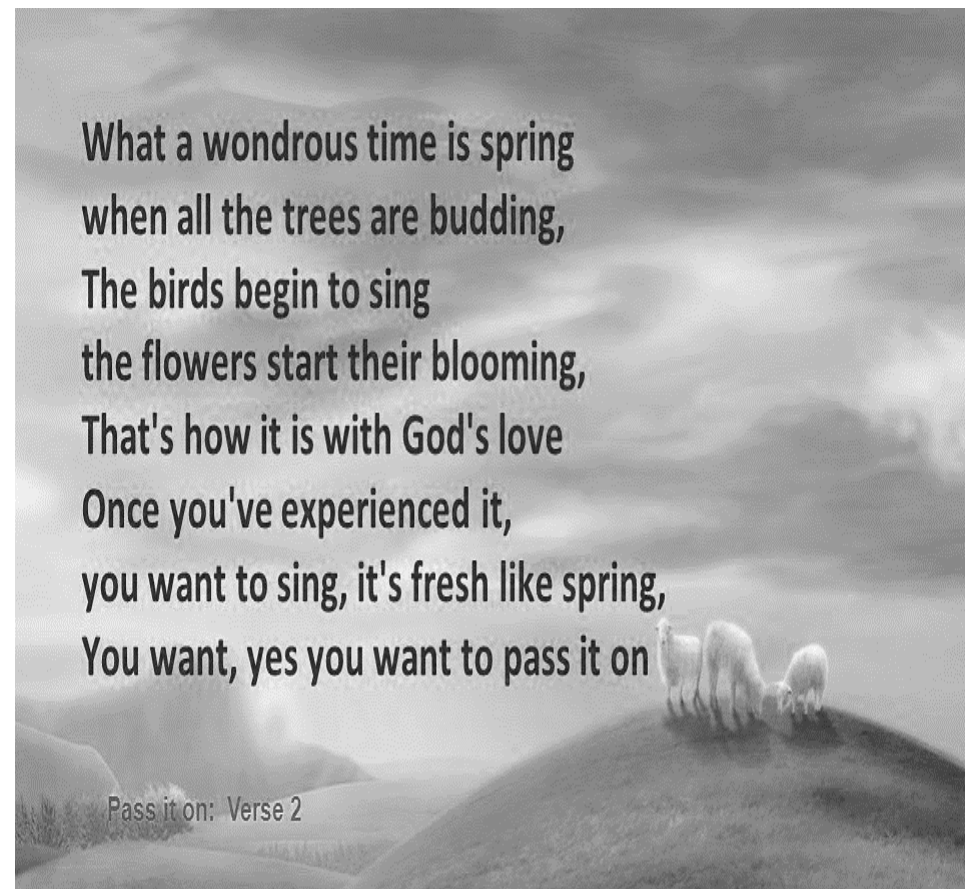
C/ Amen. Alleluia!

Children's Chat

-We have been hard hit with snow this year so far. Our snow removal bill is over \$800. Would folks consider sharing this cost and making a donation specifically toward the snow removal? Session has done its due diligence and the issue is not our contract because everyone charges for removal. The issue is the weather. Please consider giving an additional gift over your regular tithe. Thank you.

-We have information about financial assistance from Presbytery for any woman in our church interested in attending the Churchwide Gathering in Louisville this summer. Call Lynette in the office if you would like more information.

-Friday morning Bible Study continues every Friday at 10 a.m. We are studying the book of Luke, and everyone is welcome.



Special Music - Choir

Reading of Scripture

Old Testament Lesson: Zechariah 3: 1-10 **pages 1474-75*
Canticle: #370 Rejoice, the Lord is King! (verses 1 and 2 only)
New Testament Lesson: 1 John 3: 16-24 **page 1650*

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith: Westminster Confession (1649, PCUSA Book of Confessions, 6.046-7)

All/ Jesus did take on our redemption most willingly so that he might be the fulfillment of the law. Jesus did suffer torture and pain in body and soul, was crucified and died and was buried and thus was under the power of sin and death. On the third day he arose from the dead with the same body in which he suffered and with which he ascended to heaven where he now sits on the right hand of God the Father, making intercession still. Jesus will return to judge all of creation, humans and angels, at the end of the world. This Jesus has purchased not only reconciliation with God but everlasting inheritance for all those the Father has called to Him.

Offertory; Doxology #815

Joys and Concerns

Lord's Prayer (using Debts)

Prayer of Thanksgiving (from our Reformed Heritage)

L/Lord, thank you for teaching us how to live in the present, caring for each other. Help us to live simply, doing what you would have us do in each situation not with haste but with prayer. Help us to do all we do to the best of our ability and to the benefit of all your children.

C/ Thank you for teaching me this peaceful way, to slow down and be deliberate in my actions, teaching others to also know...

...and trust you more completely. May we learn that things are done according to your will and in your time and find peace in your resurrection and guiding Spirit. (Etta Gullick, 1972, British theologian)

Benediction

Sending Hymn: # 428 In Christ There is No East or West

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: Terry Wiese & Ann McClain
Greeters: Lesleigh Wiese & Jeanie Hawn
Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon
Worship Music: Marian Tuinstra
All members are ministers of Jesus Christ

Attendance 4/8/18: 22

Offering 4/8/18: \$720.00

There are 44 paid per capitas: \$37 for 2018

-HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY to Lyle Heuer and Mike Ehret on April 15th, and to Ted Doeden on April 19th, and to Pat Forbes & Jamie Kelly & Krystle Doeden on April 21st.

-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Brian Kelly TOMORROW.

-HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Jim & Marilyn Kessler on April 25th.

-WONDERFUL JOB and THANK YOU everyone who helped the Salad Luncheon raise \$231.00 on Saturday, April 7th!

-Morning Circle meets this Wednesday, April 25th at 9:30 a.m.

-Afternoon Circle meets this Wednesday, April 25th at 2:00 p.m.

-CHOIR will meet this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

-Deadline for May Newsletter items is this Tuesday, April 24th.

-We're still looking for VBS helpers. Sign-up sheet in the entryway.

-We are looking for someone to chair the June Garage Sale. If you are interested please talk to Pastor Tim or a Session member.

-We welcome Denise Tuinstra as our new Church Treasurer. We also thank Jeanie Hawn for her years of service in this position.

