

First Presbyterian Church
Lake Park, Iowa
www.fpclakepark.org
10:30am

April 29, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Musical Prelude

L/ He is Risen! Alleluia!

C/ Alleluia! He is Risen Indeed!

Announcements - Special Offering: Camper Scholarship
Passing of the peace

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 22: 25-31)

L/ This is the theme of my praise in the assembly, the very vow I
take in living God's way

C/ The poor will eat and will seek the Lord and all will be right

L/ All the ends of the earth will turn to the Lord and remember what
God has done

**C/ All the earth will bow to the Lord for God alone brings Life
and apart from God there is no living**

L/ Praise God and proclaim all that God has done, to the nations now
and to those yet unborn sing praises.

Hymn of Praise: #90 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Opening Prayer

L/ Almighty God, your Son Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.
Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of your
commandments, and to share his Risen life.

C/ Amen. Alleluia!

Children's Chat

Special Music

-The Cherish Center Baby Bottle Campaign will begin next Sunday,
May 6th and will continue through June 3rd. Let us all plan to give
what we can to help support the wonderful work they do!

-We are beginning preparations for our annual Garage Sale which
will be June 2nd. Thankfully we have found a chairperson! If you
have items to donate, please bring them to the church and place them
in the second Sunday School room south of the Nursery (Room B).
Remember – no electronics or broken items, and no clothes.

-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.



Reading of Scripture

Old Testament Lesson: Esther 9: 19-26 *page 786
Canticle: #370 Rejoice, the Lord is King! (verses 1 and 2 only)
New Testament Lesson: 1 John 4: 7-21 *pages 1902-03

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/ Draw your church together, O God, into one great company of disciples. Make us gather around and listen to Jesus as we follow Him into every walk of life, together serving in Christ's mission to the world and witnessing to your love wherever you send us.
C/ **Pour out your Holy Spirit and grant wisdom to your people that we might discern your will for this faith community. Thank you for the Life we have in you.** (Cheryl Dieter, worship and music minister, ELCA, 2009)

Benediction

Sending Hymn: # 429 They'll Know We Are Christians

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: Terry Wiese & Ann McClain
Greeters: Brian & Jamie Kelly
Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon
Worship Music: Eulin Riemersma
All members are ministers of Jesus Christ

Attendance 4/22/18: 43

Offering 4/22/18: \$2,709.25

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

- HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Linda Nissen and Roger Velishek on May 1st, and to Dalton Petersen and James Kessler on May 5th.
- May Newsletters are done, and if you pick yours up the Deacons should have one for you.
- Bits & Pieces will meet this Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.
- CHOIR will meet this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
- We will be having MOBILE FOOD PANTRY here at the church EVERY month on the first Thursday of the month. There has been a lot of positive feedback about this program, and what a blessing that we can continue to help our community in this way! Our next one will be here at the Church this Thursday, May 3rd from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. We will need volunteers at 12:00 p.m. to unload truck, and at 4:30 p.m. to help with packing and carrying. Please call Pastor Tim or the church office if you can help out with this.
- Next Sunday, May 6th, is the last Sunday School session until fall.
- The Membership Team will meet next Sunday, May 6th, after morning worship in the Fireside Room.
- PW @ Night Circle meets next Sunday, May 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room.
- Vacation Bible School 2018 will be July 15-18. We're still looking for VBS helpers. Sign-up sheet is in the entryway.

