

**First Presbyterian Church  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 24, 2016  
11:00 a.m.**



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of Easter

**THE CHURCH GATHERS . .**

**PRELUDE**

*With the first notes of the organ, please silently prepare yourself for worship.*

**THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOME AND SHARING OF COMMUNITY LIFE**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 230**

*Verses 1 & 4*

**“This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made”**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: It's Sunday--

a day to celebrate new life;

People: **A day to reflect on where we have been and where  
we are going,**

**a day to open our lives to the divine,**

**a day to look around with appreciation and to look  
up with gratitude;**

**a day to find strength for the journey.**

Leader: Yes, it's Sunday, a time to worship.

**\* HYMN OF PRAISE No. 473**

*Terra Beata*

**“For the Beauty of the Earth”**

**\* UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**We confess, Lord, that sometimes people can't easily identify us as Christians by the way we treat and talk about others.**

**Sometimes we are judgmental; sometimes we are rude; sometimes we are uncaring; sometimes we are cold. Sometimes we are quick to judge others by their clothing, or their color, or their social status, or by their body type.**

**Pardon us, we pray, for our failure to love, and help us daily to follow the example of our Lord.**

**\*PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION IN SILENCE**

**\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE AND GRATITUDE**

*Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above  
with wisdom, power, and love; Our God is an awesome God (twice)*

**TO HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD...**

**A TIME FOR OUR CHILDREN**

Children ages 5 and under are excused to go downstairs following our Children's time.

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Revelation 21:1-6**  
*Pew Bible Pg #1007*

**ANTHEM**

**“Glory Be To God”**

*David S. York*

**GOSPEL LESSON**

**John 13:31-35**  
*Pew Bible Pg #877*

The Response:    Leader: This is the Word of the Lord  
                          People:   **Thanks be to God**

**SERMON**

**“The Love Haptic”**

**John T. Wamsley**  
**Pastor**

**\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION No. 358**

*Baronita*

**“Help Us Accept Each Other”**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**United Church of Canada Creed**

**We are not alone, we live in God’s world. We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating, who has come in the true Man,  
Jesus, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others  
by his Spirit. We trust him.**

**He calls us to be his church: to celebrate his presence, to love and serve  
others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus,  
crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God!**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND SUPPLICATION**

### **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.**

## **PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

### **\*THE OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

*Doxology*

*Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures high and low;  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known;  
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### **\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**TO GO OUT AND SERVE**

### **\* HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

*See Insert*

**“Pass It On”**

## **BENEDICTION AND CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION**

### **RESPONSE FOR CHOIR AND CONGREGATION**

#### **“What Does the Lord Require”**

**Everyone, one time:** What does the Lord require of you?

What does the Lord require of you?

**Just women, one time:** To seek justice and love kindness  
and walk humbly with your God.

**Everyone together, two times In Unison**

(Ladies sing): To seek justice and love kindness  
and walk humbly with your God.

(Men sing): What does the Lord require of you?  
What does the Lord require of you?

#### **\*POSTLUDE**

**Note:** An (\*) invites all who can do so comfortably will stand.

#### **To Our Guests:**

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Marianna. We are happy to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join us each Sunday, as we worship and study God’s word. If you would like more information concerning our church, you may fill out one of the *Welcome* cards in the pews and place it on the offering plate, talk to the ushers or call the church office (850-526-2430).

**Nursery care** is available for children Kindergarten and below during our Worship Service each Sunday morning.

**The flowers** gracing our Sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the members of our Sanctuary Guild by Tom and Joan Stadslev

**Our Prayer Calendar** : Guy Green (requested by family), Janie Pulliam (requested by family), Melanie Turner McCroan (requested by family), Rev. Don Harris (requested by John Milton V), Daniel Bilik (requested by Fran McNeill), Brandon Stewart (requested by family), Louise Pumphrey (requested by family), Gail Stearn, Guy Green's sister, (requested by family), J R Gortemoller (requested by family), Elizabeth Littleton Walker (requested by Stanley Littleton), Jeff Allen (requested by Hazel Nelson), Destry Burch and Fletcher Dunaway (requested by Mary Bevis Schmidt), Bob Ward and Michael Ward (requested by Mary Wierman), Kena Nelson (requested by Hazel Nelson), Marie Lanier (requested by Joy Lewis), Gina Stuart, Joy Gilbert, Daun Crews, Stanley Littleton, JoAnn Rountree.

Every Sunday morning there are **Sunday School Classes** for all age groups between 9:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

### **Food Pantry News:**

Tuesday, April 26th

Baggers will meet at 3:30

Volunteers: Marsha Rodgers, Lee Shook, and **NEED VOLUNTEER!**

Wednesday, April 27th

Volunteers: Ron & Willie Mae Goold, Joe Busby, John & Alma Milton

During the month of March our food pantry served **451** families.

**\*If you would like to volunteer as a worker with the Food Pantry, please contact Susie Barber at Ph 850-209-1403 or e-mail [barber.susie@gmail.com](mailto:barber.susie@gmail.com)**

## **This week in the life of the church . .**

**Today CALLED SESSION MEETING**  
**Immediately following worship!**

**Today SPRING FESTIVAL AT 4:00 P.M.**

Monday Ladies Exercise Class at 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday Bagging for the Food Pantry at 3:30 p.m.  
Session Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Food Pantry from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.  
Marianna Garden Club 9:00 a.m. - Noon  
Wild Wonderful Wednesday at 3:30 - 5:15 p.m.  
in the Fellowship Hall.  
Choir Practice at 4:00 p.m.

Thursday NA Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

Friday Ladies Exercise Class at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Coffee and Juice at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall  
(**May 1st**) Educational Classes for all Ages at 9:45 a.m.  
Choir Practice at 10:00 a.m.  
Worship at 11:00 a.m.

**COMING SOON: WORKDAY AT FPC**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**Our Church Sanctuary is 91 years old, and our Fellowship Hall is 66 years old. They need some help, so please mark this date on your calendar and plan to help keep our Church Sanctuary and buildings in the best shape possible. (8:00 a.m. til...)**

**Pastor: Rev. John T. Wamsley**  
**Elder of the Month: Ginger Green**  
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**Church Administrator: Kathleen Evans**  
**Organist: Stanley Littleton**  
**Custodian: Becky Strickland**  
**Pantry Coordinator: Melissa Krebeck**  
**Nursery Assistants: Tina Bigale and Carlee Wilson**

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