

# Celebration of Worship

## Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018

11:00 a.m.

### Gather - Assemble in God's Name

#### Prelude

\*Please silence phones

\*Those who are able, please stand.

#### The Chiming of the Hour

#### Welcome and Sharing of Community Life

#### Call To Worship (In Unison)

Leader: The peace of God is with us.

People: **Christ Jesus stands among us.**

Leader: By the power of the Holy Spirit

People: **we have seen the risen Lord.**

#### \*Hymn of Praise "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

*Page #106, Hymnal*

#### \*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

We confess, Lord, that we are often poor witnesses to your saving power. Our tongues are sometimes silent when they ought to speak up, our words are sometimes harsh when they ought to be kind, and our lives often fail to exhibit the power of the risen Lord. Pardon us, we pray, and help us to remember daily that as professing Christians we represent not only ourselves, but you.

#### \*A Time for Silent Confession

#### \*Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news!

**In Jesus, we are forgiven!**

#### \*The Response of Praise and Gratitude

*Gloria Patri*

*Page #579, Hymnal*

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.

A-men, A-men.

### Grow - Proclaim God's Word

#### *Sacrament of Holy Baptism*

*Elin Ann Johnson*

*Daughter of*

*Craig and Lauren Johnson*

*Jack and Peggy Peacock,*

*Martin and Nancy Johnson,*

*Grandparents*

#### Choral Anthem

#### *"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

*Words and Music by:*

*Kathleen Thomerson*

#### Gospel Lesson

*John 20:19 – 31*

*Pew Bible, Page #883*

#### Message "Let's Hear It for Thomas!"

Rev. John T. Wamsley

#### Affirmation of Faith

*Romans Ch. 8*

Leader: We believe that the Spirit helps us in our weakness,  
for we do not know how to pray as we ought.

People: **We believe that the Spirit intercedes on our  
behalf, with sighs too deep for words.**

Leader: We believe that all things work together for good to  
those who love God, who are called according to  
God's purpose.

People: **We believe that if God is with us, no one can be  
against us, and if God justifies us, no one can  
condemn us.**

Leader: We believe that no one can separate us from  
the love of Christ.

People: **Not hardship, or distress, or persecution,  
or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword.**

Leader: In all things we are more than conquerors  
through Him who loved us.

People: **For we are convinced that neither death, nor  
life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things  
present, nor things to come, nor powers,  
nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all  
Creation, will be able to separate us from the  
love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.**

#### \*Song of Response

"Lord Jesus Christ, Our Lord Most Dear"

*Page # 496, Hymnal*

#### Offertory

#### \*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise Him above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### Go – In God's Name

#### \*Hymn

"Christ Is Alive!" *Page #108 Hymnal*

#### \*Benediction and Congregational Response

Because He lives I can face tomorrow;

Because He lives all fear is gone;

Because I know He holds the future,

And life is worth living just because He lives.

**To Our Guests:** 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 in the offering plate, talk to the ushers or call the church office at 850-526-2430. [www.firstpresmarianna.org](http://www.firstpresmarianna.org)

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

The flowers gracing our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God by Mr. & Mrs. Jack Peacock and Mr. & Mrs. Martin Johnson in celebration of the baptism of their Granddaughter, Elin Ann Johnson.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH**

**Today, April 8, 2018**

- 9:30 am Coffee & Juice Fellowship
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 5:30 pm Youth Group

**Monday, April 9th**

- 10:00 am Circle 1
- 5:00 pm Good News Women Group

**Tuesday, April 10th**

- 3:30 pm Food Pantry Bagging

**Wednesday, April 11th**

- 9:00 - 11:00 am Food Pantry
- 3:15 - 5:15 pm Wild & Wonderful Wednesdays
- 4:30 pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, April 12th**

**Sunday, April 15th –**

- 9:30 am Coffee & Juice Fellowship
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 am Worship
- 12:00 p/m. MONTREAT LUNCHEON

**First Presbyterian Church Prays For:**

**(new requests in bold!)**

**Brent Bedini (Eyes)**

**Diane & Howard Alig (Cindy Morgan's brother & Sister in law)**

**Fletcher Dunaway (requested by Mary Schmidt)**

Glen Busby (Joe Busby's Brother)

Gayle Dibenedetto

Steven Quigley

Louise Pumphrey

Travis Lawson

Joy Lewis

Mel McLure

Hunter and Lu Daffin

Ray Windham (Cecil Powell & Bev Kilmer)

R. Higley (Yvonne Melzer)

Elizabeth Walker (Stan Littleton's sister)

Linda Bevis, (requested by Mary Bevis Schmidt),

Matt Goold, (requested by family)

Sybil Schmidt King (requested by Mary B. Schmidt)

Gail Stearn (Guy Green's Sister)

Destry Burch (requested by Mary B. Schmidt)

Marie Lanier (requested by Joy Lewis)

Ginny Rose, Brooke Grant, Malaki Grant

(Family of Carol, and Dennis Maxson)

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*Elder Lauren Lyons is assisting with the Baptism this morning.*

*Wild Wonderful Wednesdays are "winding down" May is crazy busy so our last program date is April 25<sup>th</sup>.*

*Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> which will be our Spring Carnival with Fish Fry. The Wildflowers and God's Warriors play a BIG part and the youth have a cake walk fundraiser as well.*

*The office has information on church camp at Dogwood Acres and you can also go online.*

*SUNDAY, APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup> – plan on staying for our "Montreat Luncheon" – which helps support our youth. Great food and fellowship and GOOD cause !!*

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