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April 12, 2009
Easter Sunday

PREACHING today is the Reverend Deborah Knott.

PARTICIPATING is the Reverend Jana Reister.

THE MUSIC DIRECTOR/PIANIST is Carol Muehlig.

THE VOCALISTS are David Bucholtz, Sally Carpenter, Kristin Eder, and Jonathan and Lydia Smith.

THE INSTRUMENTALIST is Linda Speck.

Our mission is to grow spiritually as disciples of Jesus Christ through worship, fellowship, mission, learning, and prayer. We commit ourselves, in all we say and do, to demonstrate God's grace and love.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Please stand and face the Paschal candle.

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. O God, you are like a refiner's fire, and your Spirit kindles the hearts of your faithful people. Bless this flame and those who keep this Easter celebration so that, burning with desire for life with you, they may be found fit to take part in that festival of Light which has no ending, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Leader: Jesus Christ, yesterday and today, the beginning and the ending, Alpha and Omega; all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Leader: By his holy and glorious wounds, may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

People: Amen.

Leader: May the light of Christ who rises this day in glory scatter the darkness of our hearts and minds. Let us pray. Almighty God, pour out your abundant blessing on this lighted candle, so that all who share in your holy mysteries may be filled with your grace and spiritual blessings. Once we were in darkness, but since we have become the Lord's people, we are in the light. Help us to live as people who belong to the light, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

HYMN 123 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Easter Hymn

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

SUNG RESPONSE In Christ Alone

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my
2. There in the ground His bo - dy lay, Light of the
3. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

4
light, my strength, my song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
world by dark - ness slain; then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious
pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to fi - nal

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ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of
day, up from the grave He rose a - gain. And as
breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

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love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings
stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on
hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His

13
cease. My com - fort - er, my all in all, here in the
me; for I am His, and He is mine, here bought with the
hand; 'til He re - turns or calls me home, here in the

16
love of Christ I stand.
pre - cious blood of Christ.
pow'r of Christ I stand.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

HYMN This Is the Feast of Victory

King of Glory

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! lu - ia!

To stanzas | *Last time*

1. — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

(O.T., pp. 565-66)

A: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures for ever.

B: **Let Israel say, 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'**

A: The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

B: **There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:
'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;**

A: the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'

B: **I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

A: The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

B: **Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.**

A: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

B: **I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.**

A: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

B: **This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

A: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

John 20:1-18 (N.T., pp. 114-15)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

SERMON

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S PROMISE

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC Day of Arising



1 Day of a - ris - ing, Christ on the road - way,
2 When we are walk - ing, doubt - ful and dread - ing,
3 Lo, I am with you, Je - sus has spo - ken.
4 Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney,



un - known com - pan - ion walks with his own.
blind - ed by sad - ness, slow - ness of heart,
This is Christ's prom - ise, this is Christ's sign:
bread of com - pas - sion, o - pen our eyes.



When they in - vite him, as fades the first day,
yet Christ walks with us, ev - er a - wait - ing
when the church gath - ers, when bread is bro - ken,
Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts burn - ing



and bread is bro - ken, Christ is made known.
our in - vi - ta - tion: Stay, do not part.
there Christ is with us in bread and wine.
that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

THE LORD'S SUPPER
Invitation to the Table

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the LORD.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the LORD.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

HYMN Sanctus (Holy Lord, God of Hosts)

Cantor: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Congregation:

The musical notation consists of two staves in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the lyrics: "San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus Do - mi - nus De - us". Above the staff are three circled letters: A, B, and C, marking the beginning of the first, second, and third phrases respectively. The second staff contains the lyrics: "Sa - ba - oth, De - us Sa - ba - oth." Above the staff is a circled letter D, marking the beginning of the first phrase of the second line. The music is written in a simple, rhythmic style suitable for congregational singing.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Breaking of the Bread, Pouring of the Cup

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All communion chalices contain only nonalcoholic grape juice. We will partake of the Lord's Supper by intinction. The bread will be passed from one person to the next. We are all invited to take a piece. When the cup is passed we are invited to dip the bread in the cup and partake of both the bread and the juice together. Please use the words, "The body of Christ" and "The cup of salvation" when serving your brother or sister in Christ.

COMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

SENDING HYMN Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds *Last Uns Erfreuen*



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n-ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

BENEDICTION

Announcements

THE MEDICAL MISSION TASK FORCE IS GOING TO HAITI from May 16 to May 23 to provide mobile health clinics for those in need. They welcome the donation of a wide variety of items, some of which you may have around your house, like candles, bar soap, washcloths, and baby care products. They are also in need of medical supplies such as sutures, sterile and non-sterile gloves, syringes, and GI medications. A complete list of needed items can be found in *First Press*, or on line at www.firstpresbyterian.org. Items may be placed in the collection boxes marked "Haiti" outside the Church Office or near the sink/cubbie in the French Room/Library until May 1. If you have questions, or are interested in joining the trip, contact Lisa Kerr Johnson at 665-8299.

JOIN THE CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP, Monday, April 13, at 7:00 p.m., in the Hillemonds Chapel for support, understanding and advice in caring for loved ones. Questions? Contact Martine Blogin, Parish Nurse, 662-4466 ext. 26, or mblogin@firstpresbyterian.org.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN EVENTS:

PW HORIZONS Circle will meet on Tuesday, April 14, at 1:00 p.m., at the home of Dolly Millard, 1205 Glen Leven Rd. Carol Muehlig will lead the group in a hymn sing. Contact Anna Marie Austin, 769-4272, as soon as possible with your favorite hymns, and she will research their background.

The PW April Gathering will take place on Wednesday, April 15, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Monteith Hall, with a study of Luke. The program begins at 10:45 a.m., in Monteith Hall and features Sarah Juntune, one of the Synod representatives who attended the national PW Global Exchange program to Central Europe. She will discuss her trip and experiences with the Global Exchange program.

Applicants Sought for PW Scholarship: Each year, the Presbyterian Women of our church provide scholarship funds to aid college women engaged in seminary training or training for Christian ministry. They are now seeking applicants for this year's award. Women interested in applying are asked to contact Katie Beery at 997-9678, or ebeery@juno.com, or Eleanor Shaw at 996-9139. Applications must be received by Friday, April 24.

THE JOB SEEKER/JOB LOSS SUPPORT GROUP meets every other Thursday at 11:45 a.m., in the Lewis Room. Those interested are welcome to attend our next meeting on April 16. Group members are seeking positions in the following areas: management of skilled trades; retail (stock and mail); social work; real estate administration and sales; customer service; admissions counseling; transportation; plant engineering; and environmental health and safety. We are seeking input from our congregation and friends on openings in these areas, or other openings of interest. Send information to our group by contacting Rev. Rogers at mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org or 662-4466, ext. 12. Input from members and friends who have gone through job transition is also welcome.

THE PILGRIMS OF IBILLIN CINNAMON SWEET ROLL SALE IS BACK! Advance orders for these delicious sweet rolls will be taken in the Social Hall on April 19 and 26, from 8:45 to 9:30 a.m., and 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. There are three different varieties to choose from: cinnamon with frosting, or with additional raisins, or with pecans. The cost is \$8 per pan. Pick up your order on Sunday, May 3, from 8:45 to 9:30 a.m., 10:30 to 11:00 a.m., and noon to 12:30 p.m., in the Social Hall. All profits from the sale go to support the schools of the Mar Elias Educational Institution founded by Archbishop Elias Chacour in Ibillin, Israel.

NEW DATE FOR ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR: On Sunday, April 19, from noon to 1:30 p.m., join us in the Founders Room for an informational session on how to include planned gifts in your will/estate plan. The speakers are First Pres members Ron and Diana Gardner, estate planning attorneys. Signup sheets are located at the Welcome Center and the church office; please let us know you will attend. Refreshments will be provided.

THREE CUPS OF TEA: Join the Mission Committee for tea and a three-week discussion of *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson and David Relin, the story of how one man is changing the world - one school at a time - in Pakistan and Afghanistan. The Rev. George Lambrides and Paul Smith will lead the discussion on April 19 (Monteith Hall) and 26 (Lewis Room) and May 3 (Lewis Room) at 9:30 a.m. Please read or have begun to read the book by the first session. Books are available in the church office for \$10.

MUSIC IN MEMORY OF DR. ERNEST BEUTLER: On April 19, the Chancel Choir will sing *Lobet den Herrn* (Praise the Lord) by J. S. Bach, as part of the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services. The opportunity to sing this great music is sponsored by Fred Beutler in memory of his late brother Dr. Ernest Beutler. Dr. Beutler helped a great number of patients as a physician; as a scientist he enriched us all. He studied the genetics of many inherited diseases, devising tests and cures for some, and developed a successful treatment for a form of leukemia that had been fatal.

DON'T MISS THE FIRST ANNUAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT on Sunday, April 26, at 12:15 p.m., in the Sanctuary! Nurturing young musical talent has always been important to the music ministry at First Presbyterian Church. Our first, hopefully annual, Young People's Concert has been designed to showcase the talents of First Pres' budding musicians, ages 8 to 18. We welcome a wide variety of musical instruments and disciplines, including pianists, vocalists, string and wind players, and jazz musicians, and hope that this event will become a popular one to attend for our entire congregation. Applications for performing are available on our website, www.firstpresbyterian.org (search for "seeking young musicians"), as well as in the Church Office. For more information, contact Susan Boggs, 662-4466, ext. 21, or sboggs@firstpresbyterian.org. **The application deadline is April 19.**

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE ... DONATE BLOOD during the annual Spring Blood Drive, Monday, April 20, from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m., in the Social Hall. Sign up at the Welcome Center or in the Social Hall on Sundays, or (the preferred method) go online to www.givelife.org, type "first"

into the “find a drive” field, and pick from the available time slots. If you have trouble with the online site, please call Linda Koopmann at 972-3828. The need for whole blood remains critical! Please donate if you are healthy and 17 or older.

“PRAYING FOR CARE RECEIVERS,” a presentation by Marge Van Meter, M.S.R.N., is the next offering in the Stephen Ministry Continuing Education series. On Monday, April 20, the congregation is invited to attend the presentation from 7:05 to 7:45 p.m. in the Youth Room.

FIFTH THROUGH EIGHTH GRADERS ARE INVITED TO GO TO CEDAR POINT ON MAY 25! The bus is booked and seats are still available for this annual Memorial Day extravaganza! The cost is \$60 per person and includes park admission, transportation, and a drink wristband for free drinks in the park. The bus leaves at 6:30 a.m. and returns by 9:00 p.m. Friends are welcome. To register, turn in a signed consent form and a check made out to First Presbyterian Church with “Cedar Point Trip” on the memo line by April 20, or until all the spots are filled.

DR. WILLIAM ENTRIKEN WILL GIVE AN ORGAN RECITAL Wednesday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m., in the Sanctuary. Dr. Entriken, organist and choirmaster at First Presbyterian Church, New York City, is an internationally known recitalist and recording artist. The program will include works by Bach and Vierne, among others. This recital is part of the Sacred Music Program.

SAVE THE DATE! Resident Minister Deborah Knott and Daniel Forger will be married, Saturday, April 25, at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to share in their joy by attending the ceremony here at First Presbyterian.

A BAPTISM WORKSHOP will be held Sundays, April 26 and May 3, at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall for parents who are considering having a child baptized at First Presbyterian. This workshop is a requirement for parents before children are baptized. If you are anticipating a baptism, call Jennifer Sansbury, 662-4466, ext. 16, to register and discuss possible dates for baptism.

THE FOURTH FIRST PRES PHOTO SHOW WILL BE ON DISPLAY APRIL 26 THROUGH MAY 10 in the Social Hall. Meet the exhibitors on Sunday, April 26, May 3, and May 10, in the Social Hall, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. The photo show, sponsored by the adult education committee, features the work of photographers who are church members or associates. Some are professionals, but most are amateurs. If you are interested in being an exhibitor, contact Marion Powers (761-9859, or mmpowrs@umich.edu).

DONALD MARSDEN, OF THE PRESBYTERIAN FRONTIER FELLOWSHIP, will speak at First Pres on Sunday, April 26, at noon, in the Curtis Room. Donald, a former First Pres member, has extensive experience in Russian mission projects. He will discuss current mission efforts to support disadvantaged people in today’s global society.

PRAYING THE PSALMS prayer group meets Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p.m. Pew cards with prayer requests may be completed and put in the offering plate. Questions? Contact Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers at 662-4466, ext. 12, or mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org.

Calendar for April 13-18

MONDAY:

Body and Soul, 9:30 a.m., Curtis Room
Mission Funding Subcommittee, 2:00 p.m., French Room/Library
Pilgrims of Ibillin, 5:30 p.m., French Room/Library
Caregivers, 7:00 p.m., Hillegonds Chapel
Residency Committee, 7:00 p.m., Founders Room
Finance Committee, 7:00 p.m., Lewis Room
Nominating Committee, 7:30 p.m., Lewis Room
Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m., Social Hall
Sanctus Ringers, 7:30 p.m., Room 403
Campus Ministry Music, 8:00 p.m., French Room/Library

TUESDAY:

Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m., Founders Room
Campus Core Group, 12:30 p.m., away
PW Horizons Circle, 1:00 p.m., Millard Home, 1205 Glen Leven
Osher Class Writing Workshop, 1:30 p.m., Founders Room
ESL, 4:00 p.m., 100 Level Classroom
Presbyterian Women, 3:00 p.m., Monteith Hall
Mission Committee, 6:00 p.m., French Room/Library
Stewardship Committee, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room
Campus Core Group, 7:00 p.m., Youth Room
Personnel Committee, 7:30 p.m., Pastor's Office
Campus Ministry Mid-Week Worship, 9:00 p.m., away

WEDNESDAY:

PW Gathering, 9:30 a.m., Monteith Hall
Osher Class - World War II, 1:30 p.m., Curtis Room
Wednesday Night Meal, 3:00-7:15 p.m. (volunteers), 5:30 (meal), Delonis Center
Praying the Psalms, 5:00 p.m., Lewis Room
TnT, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room
Session, 7:00 p.m., Curtis Room

THURSDAY:

Ann Arbor Adapted Exercise Program, 3:00 p.m., Curtis Room
Job Loss Support Group, 11:45 a.m., Founders Room
Bible Study, 4:00 p.m., Vance Room
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Russel Room
Executive Deacons, 7:00 p.m., Founders Room

FRIDAY:

Prayer/Study Group, 9:00 a.m., away

WIWL, 8:30 a.m., French Room/Library

Campus Core Group, 2:00 p.m., Hillegonds Chapel

Men's Lunch, noon, Founders Room

Knit Night, 7:30 p.m., Goodman Home, 1509 Shadford

SATURDAY:

No Events Scheduled