

## WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Grace and peace to each of you in the name of Jesus Christ. We welcome you to this worship service. If you are a guest, please sign the guest book in the back of the sanctuary or fill out a visitor's card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We would love to greet you by name. We invite you to join us every Sunday morning for Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. during the school year, and worship at 10:15 a.m.

### *A Time of Fellowship*

You are warmly invited to join us for a time of fellowship and treats in the Coffee Room next to the sanctuary immediately following the service.

## † TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS †

*Those recovering from illness or injury*

*Those grieving*

*Those facing health issues*

*Those battling cancer*

*Missionaries*

*Those struggling with depression, grief, or sorrow*

*Those dealing with flooding, unsafe drinking water, and/or homelessness in the Midwest and around the world*

*The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)*

*Those suffering from religious persecution and refugees needing a safe place to live*

### We offer prayers of joy and thanksgiving for:

*Emily Herbst, Chuck Lee, Taylor Rupp, and Elaina Biechler (birthdays)*

*The birth of Easton Alexander Parr, grandson to Mark and Annalee Ward*

*For the safe return of Billy and Karen Stant*

## THE WEEK IN BRIEF (events at FPC unless noted)

Sun., April 21 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	6:00am	Easter Sunrise @ Grand River Center in the River Room
	9:00am	Sunday School for all ages
	10:15am	Worship: Rev. Bradley Longfield, preaching
Wed., April 24	2:00pm	Luke Study @ Bethany Home
Sun., April 28	9:00am	Sunday School for all ages
	10:15am	Worship: Rev. John Armstrong, preaching
	1:30pm	Bethany Home: Tom Jack & TBD

### *Banners Currently Hanging in the Sanctuary*

South Wall - Easter—John 11:25 (*in memory of George Nacos*)

West Wall - Isaiah 43:1 (*in memory of Barb Stant*)

North Wall - I John 4:19 (*in honor of Rev. Katherine Achtemeier*)

*Deacons for the month of April:* Steve & Beth Foxen

*For pastoral emergencies,* please contact the Rev. John Armstrong at 605-354-3891 or john1rev@gmail.com

*Prayer Chain* requests may be emailed or called to the church (582-4494), or emailed to Linda at fpcdbqlongfield@gmail.com

*Office Hours* for Ginger Vander Broek are Mon., Wed., Thu. 9:00am-1:00pm

### *Lectionary Readings for April 28th:*

Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

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10:15am                      Founded 1847  
   *Resurrection of the Lord*                      April 21, 2019

### *Announcements*

Linda Longfield

### *Prelude*

“Hymn to Joy”

*arr. Pethel*

### *For Prayer and Reflection:*

The Heidelberg Catechism

“How does Christ’s resurrection benefit us? First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already raised to new life. Third, Christ’s resurrection is a sure pledge to us of our blessed resurrection.”

### *Call to Worship*

*Psalm 118: 14-17*

The Lord is my strength and my song;

**He has become my salvation.**

Hark, glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous;

**“The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,**

the right hand of the Lord is exalted,

the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!”

**I shall not die but I shall live,**

**and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

### *Opening Prayer*

### *\*Songs of Praise*

Hymn #288                      “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”                      *Easter Hymn*

“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”                      *Tomlin*

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me

I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed

My chains are gone. I've been set free

My God, my Savior has ransomed me

And like a flood His mercy reigns

Unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures

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## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

*Silent Confession* (Here let each worshiper offer silent, personal prayers of confession)

### Declaration of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri #734

### Prayer for Illumination

**First Reading** 1 Corinthians 15:12-19 p. 1789

**Choral Anthem** "Christ Is Risen!" arr. Young

*Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days! Christ is risen! Hush in wonder; all creation is amazed. In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown. Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown. Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair. Walk with gladness in the morning, see what love can do and dare. Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend; Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end. Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same. Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain. Tell its grim demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!" God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!*

**Children's Message** (Children through age 5 are invited to the nursery)

**Second Reading** Acts 10:34-43 p. 1710

**Gospel Reading** Luke 24:1-11 p. 1642

**Sermon** "An Idle Tale"

\*Hymn of Response  
Hymn #298 "The Day of Resurrection!" Lancashire

\*Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed"  
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He

rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Joys and Concerns

#### Prayers of the People and 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*

#### The Offering

Offertory "Easter Offertory" Amanda & Hannah Eby

\*Doxology #34

\*Prayer of Dedication

#### \*Sending Hymn

Hymn #310 "Thine Is the Glory" Judas Maccabeus

#### \*Charge & Benediction

\*Postlude "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" arr. Thomas

\*Those who are able, please stand.

#### Leaders in Worship:

Kristen Eby, Music Director

Jill Klinebriell, Choir Director

Hannah Eby, liturgist

Rev. Bradley Longfield, preacher

#### Welcoming you to First Presbyterian Church today:

Bob Monthey, greeter

The Longfields, Coffee Fellowship hosts

Courtney Schnoor and Florence Siefker, Nursery

#### Who We Are

"We love because God first loved us." I John 4:19

*First Presbyterian is a community of people who are experiencing the Father's love in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. We are called through the Scriptures to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. In thankful response for all God has done for us, we serve our church, neighborhood, and world through ministries of worship, nurture, education and outreach.*

## IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

TODAY is the last day to give to the ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING. This offering is divided between the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and Self Development of People programs of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Last year, we raised \$1,575. Can we match last year's giving? So far, we have raised \$1,199.13. Please give generously, using the envelopes in the pews.

YOUR FAVORITE BAKE SALE IS BACK!!! On May 5, the Senior High mission team will hold a fabulous bake sale. You get to name the price. The proceeds help the mission team get to Worthington, MN, in July where they will assist people with home repairs. Please plan to stay after worship and buy some treats.

DO YOU NEED SOME YARDWORK DONE? The Senior High mission team is ready to help you. You can hire them to landscape, mulch, paint, trim, till, weed - whatever you need! Speak to Bryan or Sara Blair if you are interested in hiring a crew.

#### PREACHING SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

Apr. 28 - Rev. John Armstrong

May 5 - Rev. Bradley Longfield

May 12 - Rev. Marsha Wilfong

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS are needed! No one has signed up after today. Please sign up in the Coffee Hour room to provide light refreshments for a Sunday in April or May. This important ministry of hospitality is appreciated by all.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is on the horizon. Please mark your calendar to participate in this exciting event. The theme is "Journey with Jesus" and will be held June 24-28 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Registration forms can be downloaded from the website or picked up in the Coffee Hour room. We also need helpers. Please volunteer in the Coffee Hour room for one day or all week. Every little bit helps! Thanks.

To support the mission and ministry of our church, we need \$13,564 per month. Offerings received through April 14th totaled \$8,448.20.