

The Church at Worship

**Those who are able are invited to stand.
Congregational responses and unison readings are indicated in bold.*

The Gathering

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy One, we thank you for your gift of guidance. Jesus taught us the blessed lesson that to dwell with you is not an obligation. It is a joy. We abide in you by striving to live in love. May we be the bounty of the fruit of the vine to feed your people with righteousness and justice. May we bring to the world the grace afforded unto us. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather this day in joy and Christian fellowship,

People: For we are the church of Jesus Christ!

Leader: We pray for the Holy Spirit to be among us,

People: Opening our hearts and minds to the worship of God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Footprints of Jesus* # 467

CALL TO CONFESSION

When we come before God, we remember and proclaim who God is: merciful, just, holy, and loving. We must also remember who we are, and we are a people who have not always been the people God has called us to be. We have not always been merciful, just, holy or loving. So let us confess our sin, trusting in God's goodness to forgive us and create us anew for our lives ahead.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our hearts are restless until they find their home in

you. Forgive our pursuit of things that separate us from you. We pursue success, realizing it will never be enough. We desire more possessions, knowing they are empty. We turn toward the world and hope we will find peace, knowing the world cannot provide it. Forgive us, we pray, and may our wandering hearts find their rest in you alone. Amen.

(Moment for silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(from 2 Corinthians 5:17)*

Leader: Hear the good news! In Christ, we are new creations. The old life is gone, thank God! A new life has begun. Know you are forgiven, and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God, Amen.

The Response to Forgiveness

**Gloria Patri* #620

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: *The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ which passes all understanding be with you all.*

All: And also with you.

(Please turn to those around you and extend the hand of peace and friendship)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Trust and Obey* # 469

The Word

SCRIPTURE John 14:1-14

SERMON *Mr. One Way
Rev. Ron Jones*

The Response

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's 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.

The Eucharist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**DOXOLOGY* # 623

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all people here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father; Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Sending

*CLOSING HYMN *Fairest Lord Jesus* # 104

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *God Be With You* #583

POSTLUDE

Congregational Care

Irene Booth, aunt of Louan Pyron; Rosemary Harris and her helper Linda; Ethan, friend of Nebe; Alex Lanphear; Lee Franklin Laster & wife, Darlene; Emma Lollar; Jan Pennington; Terry Thomas, the Rev. Tracy Williams; those unable to attend church and those serving in the military, as missionaries and in works of mercy and relief around the world and their families.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

May 1: Ladies Luncheon; Kaspers; 12:00 p.m.

May 5: Guest Pastor: The Rev. Stewart Smith, General Presbyter, Presbytery of Arkansas.

May 5: STONE SOUP SUNDAY

The Leadership of the Church

SESSION serves as the governing council of the church.


Current members of the Session are:

The Rev. Ron Jones, Moderator
Louan Pyron, Clerk
Cindy Lanphear, Treasurer

Class of 2024
Linda McDougal
Chris Lanphear

Class of 2025
Stephen Fyr
Ann Pfeifler

Class of 2026
Louan Pyron
Maribeth Laster

 NOTES FROM TODAY'S LESSONS

HARMONY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Established 1844

A Member Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)



5th Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

Worship 10:00 a.m.