

Order of Divine Worship
5th Sunday in Easter
April 24, 2005

Gathering around God's Word

WELCOME AND SERVICE OF FRIENDSHIP:Russell Mase
PRELUDE: "Jesus Paid It All" arr. Richard Dwyer
(Christy Floyd, organist)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

"Faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love."

Let us worship God!

*HYMN: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" No. 48

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, Creator of all that is, the risen Christ has triumphed over sin and death. Yet, even after the joy of Easter morning, we confess our doubts and uncertainties, and our faith is sometimes weak and wavering. We ask that You, the living Lord, will breathe on us your peace, that our eyes may be opened and our hearts renewed. Give us the strength and trust to follow wherever you lead. Take from us fear and timidity, forgive us our sins, sensitize us to the needs of others, and lead us in the way everlasting; we ask these things in the name of the Resurrected One, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you who have sincerely confessed your sin, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

*RESPONSE: "Into My Heart" No. 485

Proclaiming God's Word

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM: "Give Me That Old Time Religion"arr, Hart Morris
(Exaltation Ringers)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 6:1-14
(8:30 a.m.) Bob Amon (11:00 a.m.) Andy Jordan

SERMON: "The Miracle of Sharing" Russell Mase

Responding to God's Word

*HYMN: "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" No. 470

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The 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.

GLORIA PATRI: "Glory Be to the Father" No. 734

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 for ever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Prayer of St. Francis" Allen Pote

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord. Where there is doubt, let there be faith. Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there's despair let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, let there be light, Where there is sadness, let there be joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love...For it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned. And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY: "Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow" No. 34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION(8:30 a.m.) Billie Brawley (11:00 a.m.) Sharon Culp

Bearing God's Word into the World

*HYMN: "We Give Thee But Thine Own" No. 688

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "I Surrender All" Winfield S. Weeden
Recordings of the 11:00 a.m. service are available at the sound console at the back of the sanctuary.

Visitors: Welcome to First Presbyterian on this Lord's Day. If you need a church home, we invite you to unite with our congregation. Our next new member classes will be held in Room 222 beginning May 1. If you are interested in becoming a member of our congregation or want to know more about what it means to be a Christian and/or a Presbyterian, you are invited to attend. No reservations are needed, and the dress is casual. Please indicate your interest on the Friendship Pad.

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of Manchie Poore by Frank Poore and children.

Birth: Congratulations are extended to Jamie and Tina Brooks, 133 Lamplighter Lane, Mooresville, NC 28115, on the birth of their daughter, Eva Lynne, on April 14.

Saints Alive Trip: The Saints Alive group is planning a trip to Darshana Hall Plantation, located in Cleveland, NC, on Friday, April 29. Plans are to leave at 12:00 noon, have lunch at Julia's Talley House in Troutman, and tour the restored plantation and grounds at 2:00 p.m. The group should return by 4:00 p.m. Cost for the tour is \$10. You may find information about the trip at www.darshanahallplantation.com.

Stewardship Report

The officers and congregation approved a budget for 2005 which includes a **Faith Income** line in the amount of \$43,953. At the end of the first quarter of this year, of the \$158,121 needed (which includes the **Faith Income** for three months), \$142,185 was given. This leaves a shortfall for the first quarter of \$15,936.

Remember that the **Faith Income** figure is not for luxuries, but is needed to maintain the essential ministries of our church. It represents what is needed above what was pledged. Each of us, by doing a little more, can demonstrate our love for this church and our determination that, with the help of God, these essential ministries will continue. Thank you for going the "extra mile."

Camp Grier: Brochures for Camp Grier's 2005 summer camping programs are available in the church office. In addition, Camp Grier is taking applications for summer staff. Interested college-age young adults should contact Camp Grier at cgrier@campgrier.org for more information.

Graduates: Please notify the church office of members who will graduate from high school, college or graduate school this spring. We want to include their names in the church bulletin and newsletter. Also, our high school graduates are invited to wear their caps and gowns and be recognized at the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, May 22.

The Week Ahead

- Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - Worship Celebration
9:45 a.m. - Church School
11:00 a.m. - Worship Celebration
5:13 p.m. - PYF SALTeens
7:30 p.m. - Session
- Monday: 5:00 p.m. - Brownie Troop 794
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 166
7:00 p.m. - Purpose Driven Life Bible Study at the home of Liz Price
7:30 p.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fred and Jean Coates
- Tuesday 5:30 p.m. - PYF Supper Club at Golden Corral
6:15 p.m. - Exaltation Ringers
6:30 p.m. - Cub Scout Pack 619
- Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. - Bible Study at the home of Fronnie Gardner
6:15 p.m. - High School Bible Study at the home of Tony and Ginger White
7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir
- Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - Weekday Preschool Spring Sing in the fellowship hall
10:00 a.m. - Bible Study with Peggy & Harding Rogers
6:00 p.m. - Single Parent Study in room 300
- Friday: 9:30 a.m. - Weekday Preschool Spring Sing in the fellowship hall
12:00 p.m. - Saints Alive trip to Darshana Hall Plantation
7:00 p.m. - Bible Study at the home of the Omohundros
- Saturday: 8:30 a.m. - Promise Keepers
- Sunday 5-01: 8:30 a.m. - Worship Celebration with communion
9:45 a.m. - Church School
9:45 a.m. - New Member class in room 222
11:00 a.m. - Worship Celebration with communion
12:15 p.m. - Confirmation Luncheon in the fellowship hall
5:13 p.m. - PYF/SALTeens

CHURCH STAFF

Ministers: All the members of the congregation

Interim Pastor: Russell Mase

Director of Music: Alan Sledge

Director of Christian Education: Ellen Auten

Preschool Director: Nancy Kortright

Treasurer: LuAnne Sledge

Associate Pastor: Fred Coates

Organist: Christy Floyd

Secretary: Nellie Goodman

Custodian: Billy Black

Hostess: Jennifer Jordan



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The Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth be silent before Him...

Habakkuk 2:20