# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA

11 AM Morning Worship - April 19, 2015-- Third Sunday of Easter

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME - LIFE IN THE CHURCH Announcements & Concerns

CALL TO WORSHIP A Reading from #300 Blue Hymnal

Leader: Just Christ is Risen! People: He is Risen Indeed!

Leader: Alleluia! People: Alleluia!

\*Song of Praise to God Our Great Savior

#194 Renew Hymnal

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of Glory! God who has risen! We thank you for the glorious works of nature and the chance at new life which can be so like spring. A new life springing forth in us, raising us up in faith and preparing us for your events to come. Lord we take this opportunity to acknowledge our wrongdoing and our shortcomings. Help us to do better and to live in your grace as new creations. Hear now our silent prayers of confession...

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (adapted from Acts 3:12-19) Today we think of the words of Peter: "...this is how God fulfilled what he foretold through all the prophets: that his Christ would suffer," meaning that Christ died for us. And with God's help we are changing our hearts and lives; we are turning back to God who has wiped away all our sin. This is the Easter message. We shall be at peace knowing we are forgiven! Amen.

### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

\*GLORIA PATRI

#142 Blue Hymnal

in unison

\*AN AFFIRMATION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

(from the Scots Confession)

...our Lord Jesus crucified, dead and buried, who descended into hell, did rise again for our justification, and the destruction of him who was the author of death, and brought life again to us who were subject to death and its bondage.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY** 

\*DOXOLOGY # 382 Blue Hymnal

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\* Song to Glorify God He Lives #299 Blue Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 24:36b-48 – Pg 91

SERMON It's What's For Breakfast Rev. Sarah Kneier

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

\*Song of Response He's Still The King #242 Blue Hymnal

\*THE CHARGE AND THE BENEDICTION POSTLUDE

\*standing in mind, body or in spirit

MISSION: "The energy of the Holy Spirit equips us to reach out joyfully in Jesus' name to meet human needs in the community and in the world." VISION: "We will nurture people physically and spiritually, showing them the transforming love and grace of Jesus Christ."

Minister: Rev. Sarah A. Kneier
Organist: Mary Ann Ober
Secretary: Barbara O'Neal
Treasurer: Deborah Hoffman

**Elders**:

Tim Nolt Membership/Mission/

John Leggore Property

Joy Bouchard Christian Education

Deborah Hoffman Treasurer/Finance & Stewardship
Meagan Nolt Clerk of Session/ Youth & Young Adults

Jean Shelly Worship and Music

Barbara O'Neal Fellowship/Outreach

**Deacons:** 

Nancy Duquette Moderator, Ushers, Greeters,

Coffee Hour

Laura Weber Treasurer, Visits & Calls
Janet Stirling Prayer Chain, Transportation

Jeff Weber Flowers

Dee Neese Secretary, Greeting Cards, Audio Ministry

April Leggore Nursery, Food Bank

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The First Presbyterian Church of Mount Joy was organized on December first, 1839 but began holding services in the Mount Joy vicinity as early as 1746. This church is a thoroughly evangelical church in the historic sense of that word and our basic purposes are to bring people to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, to build them in the Christian faith and life, and to enlarge missionary participation to the extent that all may come to hear of and believe in Christ Jesus as Lord and Savior. Friend and stranger, to such a church as this you are welcome.

## ASK US/TELL US/GIVE US GOOD NEWS April 19, 2015

# ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

The One Great Hour of Sharing offering can still be received. Envelopes are available on the resource table in Fellowship Hall. Please make checks out to First Presbyterian Church.

### ASK US/TELL US CARDS

Remember to use these cards to let session or Pastor Sarah know about any concerns you have, any news to share, and to ask for special hymns to be used in the worship service.

### PRAYER GROUP

Prayer Group meeting in Mount Joy on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. It is held at St. Marks United Methodist Church Ministry Center located just East of the church at 37 E. Main Street. It is across the street from the Church of God. The group gets together to pray with the hope that their prayers will help Mount Joy churches, schools, citizens, etc. to flourish and grow. See Nancy Duquette if you would like more information.

# If you are in the church alone, please do not use the elevator.

# To provide flowers for the pulpit on a Sunday, contact Jeff

**Weber** (361-9065 or <u>jrweber22@comcast.net</u>) for available dates. \$40 is the current price for the pair of bouquets that decorate the pulpit and which the Deacons distribute to shut-ins if requested by the sponsor.

### CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Anyone who works with children in our church must complete forms to comply with Child Protection Laws. Please see John Leggore if you have not done this.

### **CALENDAR**

April 19 – Girl Scouts – 6:30 pm

**April 22 and 29 – AA Meeting – 8:00 pm** 

April 26 – Coffee Hour – Hosts: Ron, Peg and Dan Cramer Cookies – Jeff Weber, Nancy Duquette, Gerry Bowman

April 26 – Spring Cantata – 6:30 pm at Mount Joy Mennonite Church featuring the Cumberland Valley Christian Choir (a choir of 100 singers) presenting a selection of traditional choir arrangements and hymns. Freewill offering will be taken to assist Rainbow's End Youth Services at the event. See the flyer near the resource table in fellowship hall.

May 7 – Prayer Breakfast at The Gathering Place. At 6:30 am. Tickets are \$5.00. PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CORRECTION.

May 3 – Deacons Meeting after worship.

May 10 - Mother's Day

May 15 – Senior Breakfast at Donegal School. Doors open at 8 am and breakfast served at 8:30 am followed by musical entertainment featuring the Donegal students. No charge but donations will be accepted. Reservations are required-call Stephanie Manuel, 492-1302 or email <a href="mailto:Stephanie.manuel@donegal.k12.pa.us">Stephanie.manuel@donegal.k12.pa.us</a> by May 1st.

May 17 – We would like to invite the members and friends of First Presbyterian Church to a luncheon after the worship service. You were all very special to Ethel O'Neal and we would like to thank you for all you did for her. Since May 17 would have been her birthday, it seemed like the perfect time. There will be more information later but this our way of saying she loved you and would have wanted to thank you. Sherry, Debbie and Barb O'Neal

### **CAMP DONEGAL**

Check out the flyers fellowship hall on the resource table. If you want to make a donation to Camp Donegal, the address is on the flyer and you can make out the check to "Camp Donegal" and indicate Scholarship Fund.

### **GROCERY CARDS**

**Grocery cards** for Giant, Weis and Darrenkamps are available for purchase. The church earns 5% of all cards sold. See Deb Hoffman. In her absence, please see Barb O'Neal

### **LUNCH BUNCH**

Join the Second Chances Volunteers at the "Brown Bag Fellowship Lunch!" This is an open invitation to anyone who wants to join them every Tuesday at 12:00 in Fellowship Hall.

### FAITH HOMES OF DONEGAL – "REWARDS CARD"

Faith Homes of Donegal – There are brochures in the Fellowship Hall and Second Chances announcing a "rewards card" for the "Park City Diner" and "Knight and Day Diner" (formerly the Airport Diner). When a cardholder eats at either diner and presents their card to the cashier, the restaurant will donate 10% of their meal purchase to Faith Homes of Donegal. It can be used multiple times. A \$5 coupon is also included as a bonus!

Sympathy goes out to the O'Neal family upon the death of Ethel O'Neal. Ethel died peacefully on April 6<sup>th</sup> at the age of 97, at Lancaster General Hospital with her family present. She had attended First Presbyterian for several years. She was the mother-in-law of Barb O'Neal and the grandmother of Sherry and Debbie O'Neal. Memorials can be sent in her name to First Presbyterian Church of Mount Joy.

### SHARING OUR TALENTS

Welcome to all in the name of Jesus Christ. We welcome our visitors and hope you will come back and visit with us again. There is information about our church at the back of each pew and Visitors' cards for your use.

**Flowers today are provided by** Peg and Ron Cramer, in honor of our son Danny.

Ushers for April – Deb Hoffman and Barb O'Neal Ushers for May – Ed and Irene Becker

Nursery for April 19 – Ron and Peg Cramer Nursery for April 26 – Joy Bouchard and Kari Nolt

Counter for April 19 – Barb O'Neal Counter for April 26 – Tim Nolt

**Church Opener** – Property Committee **Church Closer for Today** – Barb O'Neal

Flowers for April – Dee Neese Flowers for May – April Leggore

Strength for Today – April 20 – April 26 – Barb O'Neal Strength for Today – April 27 – May 3 – Deb Hoffman

# Are you interested in participating in the Strength for Today program?

It involves reading a brief message (no more than two minutes). It can be a devotional reading, "Our Daily Bread", a favorite Scripture passage or even verses of a hymn. It can be done from the comfort of your own home using our remote telephone procedure. **Call Tim Nolt at 278-5423 or email him at timnolt@gmail.com.** Each person is responsible for one week of messages beginning on Monday and ending on Sunday. The week starts with Monday's message and ends with Sunday's message. Messages can be recorded the night before, i.e. Monday's message can be recorded Sunday night.