First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, April 15, 2018

Second Sunday After Easter

8:30am

As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE

"On Eagle's Wings" – arr. Hayes
"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" – arr. Bish

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 106

Leader: Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

For His steadfast love endures forever.

People: Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.

* HYMN

"Morning Has Broken"

No. 469

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Holy and triumphant God, we thank You and praise You for Your Son and our brother, Jesus, who has shown us what it means to truly love one another. We confess that it is easy to love those who love us, but it is also easy to curse those who curse us. Forgive us for failing to live in harmony with one another; for being haughty; for keeping our distance from the lowly. Help us to love, so that we can witness to the love You have poured into us. In the name of the one who was love incarnate, our Jesus. Amen.

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

^{*}ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

David Griffith

(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)

ANTHEM

"I Will Rejoice" - Martin

Chancel Choir

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 24:16-22 (OT p269)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 12:14-16 (NT p163)

SERMON

ROMANS FOR DUMMIES

Rev. Robert Bronkema

"Loving Those Who Hate You"

*HYMN

"Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

No. 366

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Assurance" - Beck/Linker

*DOXOLOGY

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

*HYMN

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

No. 343

(tune: HYFRYDOL "Love Divine, All Love's Excelling")

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

*POSTLUDE

"Toccata on God is My Strong Salvation" - Young

11:00am

Greeting & Announcements

*Praise & Worship

Here I Am to Worship

Mighty to Save

Great Are You Lord

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: David Griffith

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Scripture Readings

1 Samuel 24:16-22; Romans 12:14-16

SERMON SERIES: ROMANS FOR DUMMIES

"Loving Those Who Hate You"

*Offering/Closing Song Revelation Song

*Benediction

Next Week

Deuteronomy 19:15-21 Romans 12:17-21

"The Power of Goodness"