



First Presbyterian Church

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Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021



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WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 am Linda Lawrence

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

@ <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmTOCFUtwZzgg/videos>

Sunday, April 18, 2021

8:30 AM Worship

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:

"Blessed Jesus, We Are Here"
"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

J.S. Bach
E.M. Diemer

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 70

Leader: Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you.

Let those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"

People: You are my help and my deliverer; O Lord, do not delay!

*HYMN

"How Great Thou Art"

No. 467

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Holy and living God, we rejoice with all of our hearts for our salvation, for Easter!

Thank You, Lord. Hear our prayer of supplication as we confess our sins and make our requests known. We confess that we do not always listen to the words of the wise; even from ourselves. Forgive us for not being in agreement on what is excellent and worthy of praise, and for being surprised with joy when we find it pleasant to trust in You. We pray together in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE *[Please share Christ's peace with one another.]*

*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.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Praise You Father / Jesus, Name Above All Names"* Keene

FIRST SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 22:17-21

SECOND SCRIPTURE: Philippians 4:8-9

SERMON SERIES: SURPRISED BY JOY – PHILIPPIANS

SERMON *"You Are What You Think"* Rev. Robert Bronkema

*HYMN *"Jesus, Thy Boundless Love To Me"* No. 366

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN *"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"* No. 392

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *"Postlude in C"* J.S. Bach

Please Keep in Your Prayers:

Meghan Conway -- Janet & John Fitzgibbons' granddaughter who has Covid.
Sandy Wenger – Outpatient surgery on Wednesday
Jim Witmer – Recovering from heart surgery on Friday

Comfort in Time of Loss:

Keep in your prayers the family of Barb Welk who passed away this week.
Viewing will be Sunday evening from 6-7 and Monday from 1-2
with services at 2 pm at Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church.

In Need of the Prayer Chain?

Call Sandy Bernstorf 717-687-7276 or Janice Bowers 717-687-5676

Military Service Personnel of the Month

Please keep the following military service person in your prayers or send him a note of encouragement:
Brandon L. Schmid – Navy 8227 Gyax Rd, Norfolk, VA 23505



"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." – Proverbs 4:8

Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship

*My Hands Are Open
Stand In Your Love
Defender*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message:

SERMON SERIES: SURPRISED BY JOY – PHILIPPIANS

First Scripture Reading: Proverbs 22:17-21

Second Scripture Reading: Philippians 4:8-9

Sermon "You Are What You Think"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

*Offering/Closing Song: *Head To The Heart*

*Benediction



NEXT WEEK
April 25, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Easter
First Scripture: Palm 34:4-10
Second Scripture: Philippians 4:10-14
Sermon: **"How To Be Nimble"**
Rev. Robert Bronkema



ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH GROUP EVENT – Today, Sunday, April 18th youth group will be meeting at 4:30 pm and welcome guest speaker, Louis Centeno, a pastor and missionary in the Philadelphia area. His work there is tremendous as well as his witness for Jesus Christ. Our youth will be going there this summer to work with Louis and to be transformed as they experience an opportunity to labor in the vineyard of the world. Mr. Centeno will provide insight into what they will be doing and how this experience will make a difference in their lives as well as that of others. All middle school and high school youth and their families are welcome to attend.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSION SEWING has many items that need made. They are in room 3/4. Instructions are with the items and a pattern for cutting if necessary. The items ready to sew will be going to MCC (Mennonite Central Committee) as baby kits and extra blankets. Please sign items out then then back in when finished. Items will be due back by September 1. Due to the pandemic we have not been able to gather to get things made so our goal is to do as much as we can.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for Sunday School and Children's Church. Please contact Beth Feiler for more information at bfeiler@straspres.org. Thank you!

TODDLER GYM IS BACK: We are offering an opportunity for toddlers to come and play together in our Fellowship Hall on Friday mornings from 9-10. Parents will be spaced out and all Covid protocols are in place. Miss Amy is looking forward to seeing all of her kiddos back!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - We are collecting children's items for *Operation Christmas Child* this year. In April, we are collecting toys. This includes: Small balls, finger puppets, Slinkys, match box cars, plastic dinosaurs and animals, small boxed puzzles, playdough, small Lego kits, yo-yos, jump rope, small boxed games, little dolls, small Frisbee, story books and craft kits. A collection bin is at welcome desk area. Any questions, contact Beth Feiler.

GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL is always in need of the following items and very appreciative if your donations: Paper towels, white paper plates, napkins, Kleenex, sanitizing wipes, 5 oz. cups, crackers, pretzels, animal crackers, apples, carrots, cookies, Pepperidge Farm Goldfish, popcorn, cheese balls. Donations help to keep the tuition costs down! There is a bin in the library area for your donations. Thank you!



COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK:

Ivy McComsey, 1122 Washington St, Apt. 2, Indiana, PA 15701

E-mail: ivy.mccomsey@gmail.com Please brighten her day with a card, email or note

2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 18, 2021

8:30 am **Worship** (Traditional) - In-person or virtually online at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>

<http://www.straspres.org/home-2>

<https://www.facebook.com/robert.bronkema>

Phone in: 1 646 558 8656 then key in 9703411314#

10:00 am **Wired Word Sunday School Class**

Select this link to join: [Zoom](#) or copy and paste link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84477985294?pwd=TM1KdjY3b3lLc3FQZjBldjFqRTZaUT09#success>

Meeting ID: 844 7798 5294 Passcode: Welcome

11 am **Worship** (Contemporary) - In-person and virtually online at:

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4:30 pm Ignited Youth Group Tonight - Louis Centeno, Guest Speaker

Tuesday, April 20

2 pm Food Bank

Wednesday, April 21

7 pm Session Meeting

Thursday, April 22

6 am Men's Prayer Breakfast - [Zoom Gathering](#)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83582076945?pwd=eDdxN3NtRW45VlpmVGJIWkduRjJ5QT09>

6 pm **Bible Study** (Select this link or copy and paste link below)

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Friday, April 23

2 pm Food Bank