

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, May 1, 2022

Third Sunday of Easter

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER: Christopher Henkel

DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC: Jon Knauss

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler

INTERIM DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Kristin Kondratowski

WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30 Peter Witmer / 11:00 Bill Keays

WORSHIP: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Welcome

Sunday, May 1, 2022

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:

"I Can See"

Gaither / Meece

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 113

Leader: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore

People: From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised.

*HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

No. 443

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Loving God, we find ourselves surrounded by people who proclaim that we have to take sides and choose an enemy. Forgive us for hating those who are unlike us and for doubting those who think differently from us. You love us even as we have consistently turned our back on you. We have become your enemy, and yet you continue to love us and provide us with eternal life. Thank you Jesus for loving us in spite of our failures. We pray this in your holy name. 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

David Griffith

ANTHEM

"God of the Sparrow"

Vajda / Schalk

FIRST SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 32:16-18

SECOND SCRIPTURE:

Matthew 5:43-48

SERMON SERIES: "READING THROUGH THE BIBLE"

SERMON

"Love Your Enemies"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

*HYMN

"Live Into Hope"

No. 332

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Welcome

Distribution

*ALLELUIA

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"Lamb of God"

Telemann

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Joyce Welk Hip replacement surgery on Monday
- Bob Hartman Recovering at home
- Dotty Smith Recovering at home
- John Ford Recovering from surgery
- Please pray for all those impacted by the war



In Need of the Prayer Chain?

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

May Deacons of the Month: Nancy Cummings & Heidi Zook-Payne

Welcome

Sunday, May 1, 2022

11:00 AM Service

Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship

*The Father's House
Same God
Goodness of God*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message David Griffith

First Scripture: Isaiah 32:16-18

Second Scripture: Matthew 5:43-48

Sermon: **SERMON SERIES: "READING THROUGH THE BIBLE"**
 "Love Your Enemies"

Rev. Robert Bronkema

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Closing Song *O Come to the Table*

*Benediction

ASSISTANCE CORNER

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS WANTED – We are in need of Coffee Hour hosts. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall for the month of May or June, if you are able to serve. Thank you!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - We are collecting children's items for *Operation Christmas Child* this year. For the month of April, we will be collecting crafts. This includes: Watercolor paints, crayons, small coloring books, glue sticks, playdough, stickers, do-it-yourself craft kit, chalk, paint brushes, colored pencils, markers, sticker book, plastic cookie cutters. A collection bin is at welcome desk area. Any questions, please contact Beth Feiler.

GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL is always very appreciative of your donations which help keep the tuition costs down! There is a bin in the welcome area for your donations. Needed are: 5 oz. cups, wet wipes, crackers, pretzels, animal crackers, cookies, raisins, apples and carrots.

FOOD BANK NEW LISTING OF NEEDS: cereal, spam, tuna, canned chicken, hamburger helpers, pasta sauce, canned whole potatoes, fruit, pudding, tissues. Thank you for your many donations!

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

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 1

- 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>
- 9:30 am **Coffee Hour**
- 10 am **Sunday School Class** for all ages – In person only
Young Adults – Choir Rm Wired Word – Rm 6 Young at Heart – Rm ¾
- 11 am **Worship** (Contemporary) - In-person and virtually online at:
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<http://www.straspres.org/home-2>
<https://www.facebook.com/robert.bronkema>
- 5:30 pm **FPC youth group** -- Student Ministry room
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Tuesday, May 3

- 9 am Ladies Bible Study – Room 3/4
- 2 pm Food Bank
- 6 pm CE Committee – Fellowship Hall
- 7 pm Worship Committee – The Well
- 7 pm Ladies Bible Study – Room 3/4

Wednesday, May 4

- 1 pm Knifty Knitters – Room 6
- 3 pm Stitchin' Sisters – Room 3/4
- 6 pm Kids Clubhouse
- 7 pm Deacons Meeting – Room 3/4

Thursday, May 5

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast – The Well Bring your own coffee/breakfast items
- 9:30 am Creating Landmarks; Visual Journaling Through Scripture – Rm 5
- 6 pm Bible Study – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>
- 7 pm Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

Friday, May 6

- 9 am Toddler Gym – Fellowship Hall
- 2 pm Food Bank

Sermon Notes



NEXT WEEK

Mother's Day • Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 8, 2022

First Scripture: Isaiah 51:4

Second Scripture: Matthew 15:21-28

Sermon: *"How Is Our Faith Manifested?"*

Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME!

We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: www.straspres.org under the "Happenings" tab for current church events and please be sure to like us on Facebook.

COFFEE HOUR

Join us today in Fellowship Hall & each Sunday at 9:30 am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hosts for today: Dawn Huber & Joyce Hollinger. Hostess for next week: Theresa Rineer. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please call Theresa Rineer at 717-682-9954 or email rineertheresa@yahoo.com. There is also a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you.

COLLEGE STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Grace Hess, 125 Sides Mill Rd, Strasburg 17579 Please brighten her day with a card, email or note.

GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL

REGISTRATION FOR 2022/23 PRESCHOOL YEAR IS NOW OPEN

Classes available are:

- Afternoon Pre-K class - Monday, Wed. & Friday 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm
- 3 Year class - Tuesday & Thursday 9 am to 11:30 am



Registration forms are available on the [preschool webpage](#). The registration fee is \$45.(nonrefundable). For more information e-mail Lynn Underhill at hlunderhill@comcast.net

Save the Date!



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER • Thursday, May 5

The Strasburg Ministerium will hold its Annual Day of Prayer at 12 PM on Thursday, May 5th at the flag pole in front of the Strasburg Borough building at 145 Precision Avenue, Strasburg.

ANNUAL MULCH DAY • Saturday, May 14

Mulch day will begin at 8:00 am. Everyone is invited to partake of this event so please bring a wheelbarrow, shovel and rake if you are able to. If not, there will be extras you can borrow. So come and help us beautify the church grounds!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING • Saturday, May 14

There will be a VBS meeting on Saturday, May 14th from 9am-10am in Fellowship Hall. The theme this year will be Jerusalem MarketPlace. VBS will be held July 24th-29th from 6pm-8pm. Anyone wishing to help or who would like to hear more information on this year's VBS program is welcome to join us for coffee and doughnuts. Look for the signup sheets on the counter in the Welcome desk area. Anyone with questions should contact Beth Feiler atbfeiler@straspres.org

MEMORIAL SERVICE • Sunday, May 15

A memorial service will be held for Donald L. Gulliver at our church on Sunday, May 15th at 9:45 AM, directly following the first worship service in our courtyard. All are invited to attend. For inquiries, please contact Murray Miller or Pastor Bob.

COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP MEAL • Thursday, May 26

First Presbyterian is hosting a free community meal on Thursday, May 26th. These dinners will be held every fourth Thursday of the month (unless otherwise advised). All are welcome. No reservations required. However, seating is limited to the first 100 people who will be seated at 5:30 p.m. and served dinner.



Please contribute your tithes and offerings using one of the following methods:

- Scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts
- Click the DONATE button on the church web site
- Mail your check to FPCS, 101 St. Decatur Street, Strasburg, PA 17579

