

*Just as Christ was raised from the dead
through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.*

ROMANS 6:4 (NIV)



First Presbyterian Church

CHRIST'S JOY, JUSTICE AND COMPASSION
IN ALL, THROUGH ALL, AND FOR ALL

Easter Sunday
March 31, 10:00 AM

GATHERING

Handbell Chimes – *The ringing of the chimes invites you to a time of Rest...Renewal...Hope*

Prelude- "Prince of Denmark's March" -Jeremiah Clarke
~ Lucas Brown, Organ; Charlie Barber, trumpet

Opening Prayer

ALL: Brightness of God's glory and exact image of God's person, whom death could not conquer nor the tomb imprison, as you have shared our frailty in human flesh, help us to share your immortality in the Spirit. Let no shadow of the grave terrify us, and no fear of darkness turn our hearts from you. Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days, as the first and the last, the Living One, our immortal Savior and Lord. Amen.

***Hymn** #123 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

***Invitation to Experience God's Grace** (Romans 4:24-25, Good News Bible)

One: Because of our sins Christ was given over to die, and he was raised to life in order to put us right with God. Let us confess our need for God's mercy.

*Laying Down Our Burdens

ALL: Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death.

We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made.

Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

*Silent Prayer

Declaration of Forgiveness (1 Peter. 2:25)

One: All of us, like sheep, have gone astray, but now we have returned to the shepherd

and guardian of our souls. I declare to you, in the name of Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Alleluia! Thanks be to God.

***We Celebrate God's Forgiveness**

Glory to God

Lucas Brown

Two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics: "Glo-ry to God in the High - est , and peace to his peo-ple on Earth." The second staff, starting with a measure rest labeled '5', contains the melody for the second line of lyrics: "Glo-ry to God in the High - est , and peace to his peo-ple on Earth!". The music concludes with a double bar line.

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Moore Bells - "The Day of Resurrection!" arr. Kevin McChesney, with Charlie Barber, trumpet

Children's Message

Celebrating the Life of the Church

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

All: Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Mark 16:1-8

16 When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. 2 And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. 3 They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" 4 When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. 5 As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. 6 But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. 7 But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." 8 So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

One: Holy wisdom, holy Word.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Happy Endings & Cliffhangers" Rev. Marvin Lindsay

* Affirmation of Faith (various New Testament scripture verses)

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

GIVE THANKS

Prayers of the People

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, forever. Amen.



Practicing Abundant Generosity

<https://onrealm.org/FirstPresbyteri11244/give/now>

† Offertory: Chancel Choir: "Ain'-a That Good News" arr. William L. Dawson

* Doxology Hymn #592 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

* Prayer of Dedication

LEAVE TO SERVE

*Hymn

JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION

247 Now the Green Blade Rises

1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,

wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
your touch can call us back to life a - gain;

love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Although there were some traditional Easter carols, this hybrid one has been created by grafting a 20th-century English text onto a late 15th-century French tune. The allegory of the dying and rising grain as a parallel for Christ's Resurrection is probably based on John 12:24.

TEXT: John M. C. Crum, 1928, alt.
MUSIC: French carol, 15th cent.; harm. Martin Shaw, 1928
Text and Music Harm. © 1928 Oxford University Press

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Charge and Benediction

Hallelujah Chorus — George Frideric Handel
Charlie Barber, piccolo trumpet

Sending Music - "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" - Calvin Hampton ~ Lucas Brown, organ

Please use the Postlude time and music to reflect on today's worship experience and how it will support you in the week to come. Reprinted / Podcast / Streamed with Permission Under OneLicense #740987-A. All Rights Reserved.

† WORSHIP NOTES

I got a crown up in-a the Kingdom,
Ain'-a that good news!
I'm a-goin' to lay down this worl'
Goin'-a shoulder up-uh my cross,
Goin'-a take it home-a to my Jesus,
Ain'-a that good news!
I got a harp up in-a the Kingdom,
Ain'-a that good news!
I got a robe up in-a the Kingdom,
Ain'-a that good news!
I got a Savior in-a the Kingdom,
Ain'-a that good news!



† *First Presbyterian's Session recognizes that throughout U.S. history African American composers have not been compensated equitably for the music they have created. To remedy this in "our little way," the congregation is invited to make a donation, using this QR code, whenever we sing an African American Spiritual, whether it's the choir anthem or a hymn. This donation goes directly to The Essence of Harmony Choral Society to assist them in purchasing music, supporting professional musicians, and paying venue fees. [The Essence of Harmony Choral Society](#) was formed in 2018 by Cherisse Bonfont. The Choir was born from a need she saw to create the presence of, space for, and a medium through which singers of all skill levels can share their musical gifts with the Burlington County community at large. This diverse group of singers has a cohesive and creative performance style. EHCS focuses explicitly on celebrating the works of both classical and under-recognized African American composers. In addition, the group presents classics and anthems, spirituals, and contemporary gospel music.*

Ain'a That Good News

Known and revered the world over, William L. Dawson was one of the greatest contributors to the art of American choral music and especially African American folk music. Educated at Tuskegee Institute (1921) and the American Conservatory of Music, Chicago (1927), Dawson voiced the spirit of his people struggling in a new land; the ancient voice of Africa transferred to America. Among his many compositions are the world-famous arrangements of spirituals, "Ain'a That Good News", "Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit," "Ezekiel Saw De Wheel", "Mary Had a Baby", and "There is a Balm in Gilead".

--Bud Miller

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH! It is good to have you here in person or online. Please be in touch if you have news to share or would like more information or to talk to a pastor. Staff contact information is below. Read full announcements in our weekly [email newsletter](#), available on the church website. Subscribe on the [Contact Us](#) tab.

If you would like to place a live flower arrangement in the sanctuary, please contact Diane Thorne at dthorne31@comcast.net or 609-707-8122.

NURSERY care is available during worship (9:30 - 11:15) for those with young children. The nursery is located in the Preschool (level 1R) in the Red Balloon Room near the Preschool office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Parents, please register your preK-5th graders for Children's Church using the QR Code. PreK-Kindergarten must be signed out from the Sunday School room. First-fifth graders will reunite with their families in the Bean Parlor after worship.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING – The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing – Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self Development of People – work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work provides people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Thank you for contributing to this special offering. Use pew envelopes or the Realm giving link above.

NEWS AND EVENTS

NEW COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE: If you have announcements for the bulletin or the Weekly News, please email them to this **new address:** comm@haddonfieldpres.org. Deadline for submissions is **Monday at Noon**.

THE CHURCH BUILDING & OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, APRIL 1st.

Pastor Nikki's bible study on the Letter to the Romans meets every Thursday at 6:30 on Zoom. All are welcome to attend. See website for more information.

Prayer Group meets the second Sunday of every month in the Hospitality Center. Contact Maggie Sell or Pastor Nikki for more information.

The Men's Breakfast Group is back!! This group will meet the second tuesday of each month, starting on April 9, 2024 at The Bistro. Please contact Clair Blank, crblank327@verizon.net, if you have any questions.

There is no Christian Heritage Class on Easter Sunday. We will meet again on April 7, 2024. **Christian Heritage Class for April 7- COMMUNION SUNDAY:** Christian Vexilology: Symbols of the Church. The flags and heraldry of the various Protestant denominations are filled with symbolism and declarations of their theology. We will compare the Presbyterian, Episcopalian, and Lutheran flags and symbols and theologies with those of the Roman Catholics. St. Andrew, St. George, St. David, St. Peter and Martin Luther are all in this mix.

Volunteers Needed for Prison Ministry: Those who participate in our ministry with the women of the Camden County Jail will tell you that the ministry is very rewarding and sorely needed. The time investment is minimal once you go through the approval process. If you are interested in volunteering or finding out more information, please email Judy Blank (jmblank451@verizon.net).

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY: Need a ride to and from worship? To request transportation to worship, call the church at 856-429-1960. When you hear the auto attendant message, press 103 and you will go directly to the deacon voice mailbox. Leave a message and a deacon will call you back regarding your request. **Transportation requests must be received no later than the Tuesday prior to the Sunday when the ride is needed.** Make sure to leave your phone number and a

convenient time to call. Please take note: if you call later than Tuesday at 4:00 PM, there may not be a deacon or church member available to drive you. We look forward to seeing you in worship! Questions? Call the church office, or Joan Fiorella at 856-889-9185.

For those of you who have suffered a loss or who are going through a difficult time, the joy of Easter can seem far away, a time of painful loneliness and emptiness. God never intended us to bear our burdens and pain alone, but rather turn to one another for help when we need it. If you are experiencing difficult times, don't struggle alone. Our Stephen Ministers are here to walk with you, listen to you, encourage you, pray with you, and provide confidential one-to-one care to help you through these times. We currently have two Stephen Ministers serving our congregation with two more who will begin working with care receivers this summer. If you're interested in receiving care in the future, let Nikki know and if you'd like to consider joining the ministry please reach out to Nikki or a Stephen Leader.

For two days a **labyrinth** will be available in the church for your spiritual journey during Lent. On Tuesday April 2nd and Wednesday April 3rd the labyrinth will be available from noon to 7:00pm. Pilgrims are welcome to walk the labyrinth at those times.

On Friday, April 19th at seven o'clock, **Jazz organist Lucas Brown and his quartet** will be performing at First Presbyterian Church of Haddonfield. It's an old-fashioned tenor battle featuring saxophonists Chris Lewis and Dylan Band along with Byron Landham on drums. A free will offering will benefit the church music program. Join us!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 03/24/24: 290 in person and 33 online.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Pledge Giving: 162,680 Budget: 460,000

Non-pledge giving: 22,534 Budget: 160,000

Per Capita: 5,206 Budget: 11,000

Loose: 3,005 Budget: 11,000

Note: The Session adopted a 2024 budget with a projected shortfall of approximately \$140,000. The shortfall will be covered by remaining Covid relief funds, small grants, and withdrawals from investment reserves.

Prayer List (3/31/24)

Please pray for these individuals and situations throughout the week. If you would like to add a personal prayer request, please contact one of the pastors. In making requests on behalf of others, please obtain the permission of the person needing prayer. The requestor will have their name printed as the originator of the request. Pastors will revisit these requests every 30 days.

Prayers for the Church

- Pray for the people, government, and country of **Ukraine** as war continues.
- Pray for **Gaza** and the **people of Israel and Palestine** as war continues.
- Pray for the **City of Philadelphia and the gun violence** that is destroying the lives of young men and women and entire families.
- Pray for **John Hinkle, Sr.**, a friend of **Laura and Marvin Lindsay**, who is being treated for bladder cancer (3/26-M. Lindsay)
- Prayers for the extended family of **Terry Carpenter** who in the past 4 months have lost 4 cousins - **Dave, Ronnie, Harold & Janis** (3/25-pastors)
- Pray for God's full provision, mercy, grace, and hope - for **Philip** (3/23-pastors)
- **The Geiman and Scott families** are asking God to help them accept the tragic death of 3-year-old Maverick. Please pray for them (3/18-D. O'Hara)
- Continue in prayer for **Jessica Devietro** who is living with cancer (3/15-L. Sommers)
- Please **pray for a friend** who's awaiting biopsy results (3/14-L. Gormley-Devine)
- Pray for **Scott** on the challenging journey to sobriety (3/10-P. Urian)
- **Praise the Lord** for the birth of Sebastian Bryan, born on 3/3/24 to parents Sean Bryan and Coral Pistilli! Sebastian is the grandson of Becky & Michael Bryan (3/7-B. Bryan)
- Keep the **Reinicker family** in your prayers as they mourn the loss of Andy's Uncle Pete and Aunt Betty (3/3-pastors)
- Please pray for **Ken** who is in the ICU (3/2-J. Goudy)
- Continue to keep **Branson** in your prayers as he studies abroad this semester (3/1-M. Wilson)

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A Friend
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Kathi Bell
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Warren & Isabel Pross
Warren & Isabel Pross
John Richardson
His Wife, Ginny
Ginny Ritchie
Ginny Ritchie
Ginny Ritchie
The Seddon Family
The Sime Family
The Sime Family
Their Children
Their Children
Their Family
Their Family
Their Family
Diane Thorne, Heather & Alexis
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Chamberlin
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Peedee & Jim Levering
Mike & Meg Mulvihill
Paul Yount and our grandparents

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Rebecca Bryan
Terry & Linda Carpenter
Crivaro Family
The Dark Family
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Joan & John Fiorella

Marvin & Laura Lindsay
Bob & Pat Myles
Bob & Pat Myles
The Seddon Family

In Honor Of

The Birth of Sebastian Bryan
Spring & Renewal
John Richardson
Kathryn & Jamie
Drew Dark
Our grandchildren

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Repairing the Breach, Fixing What's Broken

In Isaiah 58, God, through the voice of the prophet, calls us to be repairers of the breach — and by repairing the breach, we will, by God's grace, be led into a new season of justice, freedom and peace.

"Is not this the fast that I choose:

- to loose the bonds of injustice,
- to undo the thongs of the yoke,
- to let the oppressed go free,
- and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,

- and bring the homeless poor into your house,
- when you see the naked, to cover them,
- and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

You shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in."

—Isaiah 58



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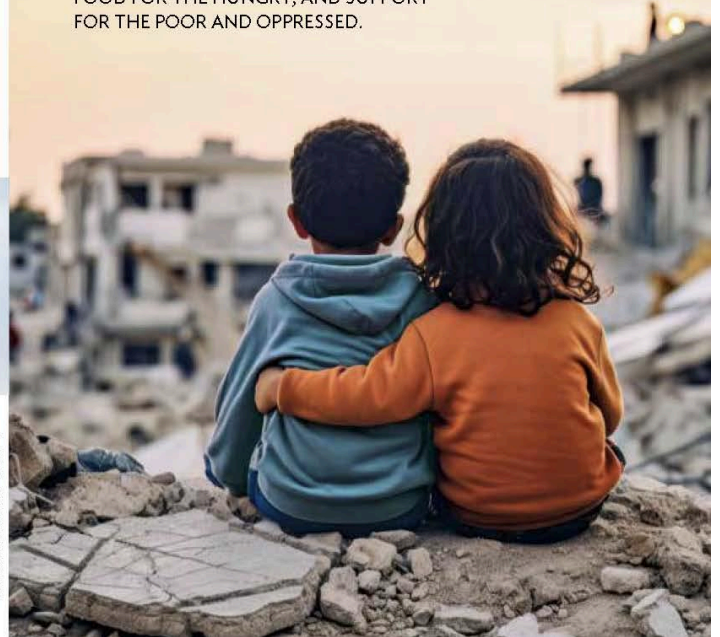


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