

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WAYNESBORO, VIRGINIA**

A community-minded congregation living out the love of Christ as we serve one another with humility, gentleness, and patience through God's grace.

April 1, 2018 11:00 AM



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CALENDAR

- Sunday, April 1** **Easter Sunday**
9:45 AM Adult Sunday School Barksdale Room
9:45 AM Children's Sunday School Room 204
10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service Sanctuary
- Monday, April 2** Office Closed
- Wednesday, April 4**
5:45 PM Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Prayer Vigil
- Friday, April 6**
12:15 PM First Friday Organ Concert and light lunch
- Sunday, April 8**
8:45 AM Early Communion Service Barksdale Room
9:45 AM Adult Sunday School Barksdale Room
9:45 AM Children's Sunday School Room 204
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service Sanctuary
- Tuesday, April 10**
10:30 AM PW at Summit Square
- Wednesday, April 11**
6:00 PM Bible Study Room 212
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal Choir Room
- Thursday, April 12**
2-4 PM Food Bank

Worship Attendance: 86 attended Worship on March 25

Liturgist for 11 AM Service: Myra Chapman

Greeters:

11:00 AM Bill & Nancy Phillips

Deacons:

11:00 AM Mary Scott Miller

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Wednesday 8:00AM-2:30PM
Thursday 8:00AM- 4:30PM

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Wednesday 9:00AM-12:00PM
Afternoons and Thursdays - By Appointment

Service for the Lord's Day

Easter Sunday April 1, 2018 11:00 AM

PRELUDE *Prelude in A, BWV 536* Bach (1685-1750)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *The Easter Song* Herring (b. 1945)

Hear the bells ringing, they're singing that we can be born again!
Hear the bells ringing, they're singing "Christ is risen from the dead!"
The angel upon the tombstone said, "He is risen just as He said."
"Quickly now go tell His disciples that Jesus Christ is no longer dead!"
Joy to the world, He is risen, Alleluia!

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Adapted from Isaiah 25:6-9)*

Leader: On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations.

People: He will swallow up death forever.

Leader: Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is the LORD for whom we have waited.

People: Let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation!

*HYMN #232 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* Easter Hymn

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of life and light, by raising Christ from the grave you revealed the fullness of your grace, but we flee from the empty tomb out of fear. We are afraid of its mystery and power; we are afraid of where it will lead; we are afraid of what it may require. Forgive us, Lord. Give us the courage to follow where you call. Help us to trust in a love which makes all things new, so that we may know the joy of life abundant, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

**(Please take a few moments to greet those around you.)*

*GLORIA PATRI #581 Greatorex (1816-1853)

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON I Corinthians 15:1-11 p. 935

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM *Messiah: Hallelujah* Handel (1685-1759)

Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah!
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ;
and He shall reign forever and ever.
King of Kings and Lord of Lords Hallelujah!

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 16:1-8 p.829

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Spoiler Alert* Rev. George W. Chapman, III

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from A Brief Statement of Faith, 1983*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen

*HYMN #244 *This Joyful Eastertide* Vruuchten

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Communion of the People

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

OFFERING

Offertory

*Doxology (#606)

Old Hundredth

*Prayers of Dedication

*HYMN #236 The Strife is O'er Victory

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *Alleluia* Vulpius (1570-1615)

*POSTLUDE *Symphony no.5 in f, Op.42, No. 1: Toccata* Widor (1844-1937)

**Please stand if able*