



**Service for the Lord's Day
Fourth Sunday of Easter**

April 22, 2018

8:30am

11:00am

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord:

I know my own
and my own know me.

(John 10:14)

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WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Whether you are visiting for the first time, or are a longtime member, we are blessed to have you join us for this time of worship.

First Presbyterian Church strives to be a welcoming and inclusive fellowship of believers united by our love of God and our service to the needs of the world. We are a diverse fellowship – meaning we don't all look, act, think or believe alike. We have different questions about our faith, differing ways of reading the Bible and differing passions and concerns. Still we stand together as one family every Sunday in the songs we sing, prayers we pray, and the bonds of fellowship that hold us together. We are always open to newcomers in our midst!

If You Are New Here:

Introduce yourself to any of our members and use the red Friendship Pad to let us know who you are and how to add you to our church email list for weekly updates about events in the church's life. There are plenty of volunteer opportunities in all our ministries, so don't hesitate to get involved!

Please join us for **Coffee Hour** in the Church Parlor after the 8:30 service or downstairs in the Social Hall after the 11:00 service.

During Today's Worship:

Large print hymnals and **hearing amplification devices** are available at both sanctuary entrances. The **church elevator** is accessible from the parking lot and sidewalk (southeast side of the church, nearest Carlin Springs Rd.) and reaches all floors of the church. Please ask an usher if you need any assistance.

The closest **restrooms** to the sanctuary are at the base of the stairs in the narthex (front lobby). Other restrooms are located on the main-floor hallway on the right just past the parking lot stairwell.

The **nursery** is located at the end of the main floor hallway. Trained attendants are on duty to care for our littlest ones. There is also a place for mothers to nurse in the nursery. All children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary during the **"Time with the Children"** for a special message from the church's Children's Ministry Director. Children ages 3 through 1st grade are welcome to attend the **"Bridges to Worship"** during the remaining portion of the worship service. **Children's Bibles, story books** and **worship bags with age-appropriate bulletins** are available in the parking lot entrance hallway.

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WE ENTER TO WORSHIP

NOTE - Words in **bold** are to be said by the congregation. *Designates an invitation to stand.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Almighty God, you sent Jesus, our good shepherd, to gather us together. May we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHURCH

The Rev. Dr. Bryan Mickle

PRELUDE

Lead Me, Guide Me

Adam Graham
(b. 1986)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 95)

Liturgists: Georgine Neureiter (8:30am service)
Linda Hardy (11:00am service)

O come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In God's hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is the Lord's, for he made it,
and the dry land, which God's hands have formed.
O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For the Lord is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.
Together let us worship and praise the Lord.

*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 239

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!
(verses 1-3)

GELOBT SEI GOTT

*CALL TO CONFESSION

***CONFESSION OF SIN:**

Almighty and everlasting God, who forgives all who repent, deliver us from the misuse of your good gifts. Pardon us for we have neglected opportunities, accepted half-truths, passed superficial judgments, and enjoyed cynicism. Forgive us for the unkind word, the unsympathetic heart, the false ambition, and every unworthy purpose which has roiled our lives. Let the light of your word and the fire of your love cleanse us, and send us on our way rejoicing in the service of the one whose resurrection we celebrate, Christ our risen Lord.

(silent time of confession)

***SUPPLICATION: No. 551**

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

**Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS:**

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. When we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us through the saving power of Jesus Christ. Believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE: No. 239** *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! (verse 4)*

GELOBT SEI GOTT

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing today with one accord,
The life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00am)

Tayae Rogers

BRIDGES TO WORSHIP No. 748 (11:00am) *Go With Us, Lord*

TALLIS' CANON

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
That in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

Psalm 23

Pew Bible, p. 501 OT

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***HYMN No. 740**

Lead Me, Guide Me

LEAD ME, GUIDE ME

(congregation will sing twice)

LESSON FROM THE GOSPELS:

John 10:11-18

Pew Bible, pp. 103-104 NT

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON:

“The True Shepherd”

The Rev. Dr. Bryan Mickle

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

God’s reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd’s life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest; again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth which remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God’s love for humanity. They reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God’s reconciling work.

(from: The Confession of 1967)

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER (8:30 service)

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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas

Maurice Duruflé
(1902-1986)

*RESPONSE No. 607:

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 250

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

PROMISE

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you;
and also with you.

(Please extend the peace of Christ toward all those who are seated
around you and to those whom you will meet in the week ahead)

POSTLUDE

Fugue in F Major, BWV 556

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

WE DEPART TO SERVE

IN OUR PRAYERS

Keith Bornmann (son-in-law of Carole Dotterweich) for good health and healing.
Ellery Burgess (brother of Wells Burgess) for his care in assisted living.
Esther Crosby (sister of Georgine Neureiter)
Midge Curry recovering from knee replacement surgery.
Virginia DeLange (sister of Carol Walker; aunt of Linda Hardy) in assisted living for dementia.
Rose Esposito (grandmother of Krystina Burke), battling lung cancer, and Clyde Payne (grandfather of Stephen Payne), suffering from dementia.
Meg Gallagher (friend of the Boslands) 14-year-old with leukemia.
Jim Howell in the V.A. Hospital in Baltimore, MD for illness.
Ann-Bailey Lipsett recovering from a broken ankle.
Peter Lipsett undergoing treatment for lymphoma. Please sign up to take meals to the family: https://www.fpcarlington.org/signup
Timofeo Nve Meñe (father of Prisca Nzang) suffering from lung cancer.
Anne Neill in the Arlington Regional Medical Center.
Emma (the niece of Shandra Niswander) who is recovering from emergency kidney surgery.
Don and Marty Orth for heart and age-related illnesses.
Lisa Osterheld (friend of Jack Madison & Debra Fowler) for good health & healing as she undergoes treatment for cancer.
Cathy Parham (friend of Janis McCollim and Phyllis Kayson, Templeton Condo) for health and healing from a stroke.
Beth Patterson (Carol Schadelbauer's cousin) just diagnosed with cancer.
Chet Ramey (friend of Chip Benjamin) undergoing treatment for inoperable stage 4 pancreatic cancer.
Mike Rivet and his family (brother-in-law of Margaret McGilvray) as Mike continues to battle stage 4 melanoma.
Caitlin Rivet (niece of Margaret McGilvray) as her foster baby Eddie undergoes surgery for a brain tumor and she awaits the treatment options.
Jason Schell (nephew of Ed Milton) undergoing treatment for cancer.
Daniel Seitz for good health and healing.
Helen Surbaugh recovering from back pain after a fall.
Lee Taylor (brother of Al Taylor) has elected to stop chemotherapy.
Carol Walker fractured a vertebra in her spine and is great pain but trying to move as much as possible.
Dinah Martem-Westbrook (daughter-in-law of Rena Westbrook) for healing and recovery from cancer surgeries and radiation.
Bill Wyant (friend of Kathy Kobe) undergoing treatment for cancer.

Those in home-care or assisted living: **Betty Hoyt** (Room 316, Benjamin M. Smith Health Care Center at the Hermitage), **Lois Potter** (Gainesville Health & Rehabilitation Center, Fairview Unit, Room 218-Door)

Those serving in the Armed Forces abroad including: **Calvin Hubbard**, nephew of Jane Dunphy, member of the Army Special Forces on assignment in Syria; **Daniel O'Loughlin**, grandson of Don and Marty Orth, in Italy.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Evangelism & Outreach Team Meeting	Monday 4/23, 7:30pm Room 103
Adult Covenant Group	Tuesday 4/24, 7:00am Church parlor
Stated Meeting of the First Church Session	Thursday 4/26, 7pm Room 103
Adult Covenant Group	Tuesday 5/1, 7:00am Church parlor
Board of Trustees' Meeting	Tuesday 5/1, 7:15pm Room 103
Adult Choir Rehearsal	Thursday 5/3, 7:30pm Choir Room
Celebration of May Birthdays	Sunday 5/6, following 11am service Yount Social Hall: Cake and punch and birthday merriment courtesy of our Deacons
Mission Team Fundraiser: <i>Seis de Mayo</i>	Sunday 5/6, 12 pm Yount Social Hall
Adult Covenant Group	Tuesday 5/8, 7:00am Church parlor
The Arlington Chorale Concert: <i>Will Sing for Food</i>	Monday 5/14, 7:30pm Sanctuary: A selection of repertoire from TAC's 2017-2018 Season; Canned goods donated will support the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC); info at www.arlingtonchorale.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPRING CLEANING? The Mission Team is looking for auction items for our May 6th fundraiser for the August 2018 mission trip to Agua Prieta, Mexico. We are looking for art, unused gift cards, jewelry or collectibles. Also, this is a great opportunity to donate those Christmas and birthday presents you have never used and don't know what to do with! If you have items you wish to donate, please contact Chip Benjamin at 703-585-7066 or chipbenjamin@aol.com. The funds we raise will help support getting vans, equipment, and participants to Mexico. We are also soliciting frequent flyer miles to get Dr. Joaquin Perez-Febles' dental assistants to and from Tucson, Arizona. Please contact Joaquin at 703-356-8068 or drperez@periofitness.com if you can help.

SIX FOR SUPPER: The Deacons thank all the gracious hosts and appreciative guests who have participated in Six for Supper! Over ninety members of our church family joined together for fellowship and food all over town on the 14th and the 21st. Please email Aromie Noe at aromienoe@yahoo.com if you have any feedback on Six for Supper.

FIRST ROOTS ARE GROWING AND TAKING SHAPE. Our building project is moving forward quickly. The construction drawings are complete, and the E-team has selected our contractor. After permitting is complete, we expect to be building our new kitchenette, gathering space and bathrooms this summer. Thank you everyone for your support! And remember, before we can "tear down those walls" and build the new ones, we need to complete our fundraising campaign. Whether you are continuing your contributions from our initial campaign, fulfilling a second pledge from First Roots II campaign, or simply donating to the building fund, please submit your financial contributions by May 1. We can't create our beautiful new space without you.

GRADUATION SEASON IS COMING! Is your child or grandchild graduating this spring? We would love to recognize them during worship on June 3rd! Please let Sarah Dianne (sarahdianne@fpcarlington.org) know your child/grandchild's full name, where they're graduating from, and what they'll be doing after graduation no later than May 25th.

MANY THANKS TO THE WONDERFUL HOSTS who have provided snacks for post-service social hours in early 2018. We are looking for volunteers for the coming months and there are lots of dates open to choose from through SignUpGenius. Social hour provides a great chance to visit with other members of the congregation and welcome guests to the church. Just drop off a variety of snacks labelled "Social Hour" in the kitchen before the service (upstairs for 8:30, downstairs for 11:00) and they will be set out along with the coffee, tea and lemonade after the service. Please consider signing up today at: <https://www.fpcarlington.org/signup> (scroll down for 2018 dates). Thank you!

Julie Bosland and the Fellowship Team: (703) 408-4612: jbosland@comcast.net

VOICES FROM ARLINGTON: A DISCUSSION ON HOUSING AND POVERTY, presented in conjunction with the 2018 ARLINGTON READS SPEAKER SERIES: Join your neighbors and learn more about poverty and housing right here in our community. On Thursday, April 26, 7-9pm at Arlington Central Library, Arlington's Community Progress Network, a coalition of more than 30 nonprofit organizations, government agencies, educators and elected officials, will facilitate a community dialogue to explore barriers to equity and inclusion. The program will explore the local realities of the poverty and housing themes that are so vividly portrayed in the books featured in this year's ARLINGTON READS series: *Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, Death, and Hope in a Mumbai Undercity*; *The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*; and *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*. Local leaders in the areas of low income and affordable housing, social safety net services, education and healthcare in Arlington will orient attendees in local data and offer perspectives on how our community is navigating complex and critical needs. Participants will hear first-person resident stories and take part in a thoughtful discussion on how our community can address issues through a lens of equity and inclusion. **Free - Registration is appreciated at www.CommunityProgressNetwork.org.**

SPRING GATHERING OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF NATIONAL CAPITAL PRESBYTERY – next Saturday, April 28, 8:30am to 12:30pm, hosted by women of Warner Memorial Presbyterian Church, 10123 Connecticut Avenue, Kensington, MD 20895. The theme is *Building Bridges of Understanding...reflections on the PW Global Exchange to Indonesia*. All are welcome! Refreshments will be served. Registration fee is \$15, or \$5 for students. Please register by today, April 22, to Treasurer Beth Richardson at 703-370-7522 or bethlyone@aol.com. For questions please contact Margaret Anderson at 703-256-1207 or meanders39@gmail.com.

BE PART OF OUR PENTECOST RE-ENACTMENT ON MAY 20TH! As part of both of the two services on Pentecost Sunday, we will read the Lord's Prayer in unison and in as many languages as we can. This re-enactment is another way to celebrate our congregation's roots in nations far and wide where Christ's gift of the Holy Spirit was bestowed. If you can participate, please let Blair Moorhead (bmoorhead@aol.com) or Sally Gousen (Sallygousen@gmail.com) know which of the two services you will be attending that day, and the language in which you will read the prayer. Wear red and bring a translation of the prayer, if you like. Our congregation is composed of many voices and many languages, but one spirit!

GET INVOLVED AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

ADULT COVENANT GROUP – meets in our church parlor each Tuesday at 7:00am for fellowship, Bible discussion, prayer, and coffee.

ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH CLASS– Please join us for our course *Instruments of Change*. We will discover where change is needed in our own lives and how we, as the body of Christ, can help others who are looking for change in their lives. Through this study, to run through May 6, we will follow the example of Jesus in getting to know people and lovingly speaking truth to them. Please join us Sundays at 9:45am in room 103.

AFAC FOOD COLLECTION – Bring non-perishable food the first Sunday of each month for the AFAC food pantry to help our neighbors facing food insecurity challenges.

CHOIR – rehearses each Sunday at 9:45am and first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm in the choir room. New singers of all abilities welcome! For more information contact Adam Graham at adam@fpcarlington.org.

CHURCH LADIES BOOK CLUB – Always open to newcomers. If you enjoy informal, interesting discussions and good food, please consider joining us even if you haven't finished the book. At 7pm on Monday, April 30, we invite anyone to propose books for the group to read over the next year. We'll meet at Lida Mead's, 4300 N Carlin Springs Rd, Apt 513. Please let Lida know if you can come (252-939-0189) and bring a dish to share.

FLOWERS FOR CHANCEL – Please consider sponsoring the flowers so that we don't have a bare chancel! The cost for the floral arrangements is \$50 for two bouquets or \$25 for one bouquet. All you have to do is complete the SignUpGenius form at <https://www.fpcarlington.org/signup>, and place a check with "flowers" in the memo line into the offering plate. If you have any questions or if you can't access the SignUpGenius page, please contact Kay Hill Foy or the church office at 703-527-4766.

GROW WITH US – The gardening season is here. Please join us to help keep our gardens looking good. It's fun, on-the-job training is available, scheduling is flexible, and what a wonderful way to promote our church to passersby. For ornamental gardens contact Louise Shutler at shutlerl@gmail.com and for AFAC vegetable garden contact Audrey Morris at agmorris1@yahoo.com.

MISSION TEAM – Give back to the community! Contact Austin Wiehe at awiehe@verizon.net or 703-677-4336 or reach out to a Mission Team member.

SOCIAL HOUR – Please sign up to bring the food for social hour on a forthcoming Sunday. Sign up at <https://www.fpcarlington.org/signup> or contact Julie Bosland at jbosland@comcast.net for more information.

YOUNG ADULTS – Please join us for exciting events. For more information contact Carly Horton at carlylynn.horton0423@gmail.com.


REMINDERS


FREE TO A GOOD HOME – The church still has three upright pianos that we need to dispose of. If you or someone you know is interested in one of our pianos designated for disposal please contact the church office at 703-527-4766 or office@fpcarlington.org.

LEADERSHIP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

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 Ushers Cathy, Steve, Harry, and Hazel Thurston (8:30am)
 Lynda and Lee Martin, Ray Gold, Lynda Hill, Diana Warmann, and Craig Wulf (11:00am)
 Parish Associates..... Rev. Madeline Jervis
 Rev. Donna Weddle

CONNECT WITH US

 **FACEBOOK:** First Presbyterian Church of Arlington has a Facebook page. We would like for folks to join our group to keep up with prayer concerns, events, etc. in the church life. The name of the group is **FPCarlington**. "Like" us today!

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