

Service For The Lord's Day

April 21, 2024

*Those who are able, please stand.

_10:00 A.M. Worship

WELCOME! We are glad you are worshiping with us today. We pray that you will be challenged and find joy, hope, and celebration in this time spent together in the presence of God. *Please sign and pass the "Ritual of Friendship" booklet; then, return it to the first person.*

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

arr. Hartsell

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Good Shepherd, walk beside us through the joy and trouble of this day and lead us in right paths for Your name's sake. Amen.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our Shepherd.

All: He lays down His life for His sheep.

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our Shepherd.

All: He knows us, and we belong to Him.

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our Shepherd.

All: He speaks, and we listen for His voice.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

(Lay Reader)

*OPENING HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

No. 39

*CALL TO CONFESSION

(Lay Reader)

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Lord, have mercy on us. We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect the poor. We talk about love, but we fail to love one another. Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us and abide in us by the power of Your Spirit, so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ, in Whose body we live and in Whose name we pray. Amen.

*KYRIE No. 574

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Lay Reader)

*GLORIA PATRI No. 579

ANTHEM "Bring Us Peace" Franck/Spevacek

GOD'S PEOPLE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (Lay Reader)

FIRST READING (Pastor) Acts 4:5-12

SECOND READING (Lay Reader) I John 3:16-24

GOSPEL (Pastor) Psalm 23, John 10:11-18

SERMON "Jesus, The Good Shepherd" Rev. Kelly Lindsay

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

excerpt from the Brief Statement of Faith

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.

PREPARATION PSALM

"Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Responsive)

Pastor: God of goodness and mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you

All: And also with you.

*(Please greet nearby worshipers and return to your seat.)

OFFERTORY "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" arr. Hartsell

*DOXOLOGY No. 592

*OFFERTORY PRAYER (Rev. Kelly Lindsay)

... "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, the power and the glory forever. Amen."

*HYMN "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" No. 394

GOD'S PEOPLE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION "Amen"

*POSTLUDE "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" arr. Hartsell

THE CELEBRATION HAS ENDED; LET OUR SERVICE BEGIN!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome Visitors!

The Nursery is available for infants to 4-year-olds-see Donna Latessa FPC Vision: Glorify and enjoy God through worship, education, and service. FPC's Web Page: http://www.fpcwarren.org Email address: infoefpcwarren.org

Facebook: First Presbyterian Church of Warren

Hearing Devices to better enable you to hear the service are available from one of the ushers. Please return the device at the end of the service.

FOOD AND DRINK should remain in Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

THE DEACONS would like to thank all who remember the Deacons' Cupboard while shopping. They are requesting bar soap, toilet paper, and shampoo for the month of **April.** You may leave your items in the Deacons' box in Fellowship Hall.

RADIO MINISTRY is funded by **Chris Lovett** today. Our service is broadcast at 10:00 a.m. Sundays on 1570 AM and 97.7 FM. If you would like to contribute to this ministry, donations designated for the Radio Ministry may be placed in the offering plate; contributions may also be mailed to the Church Office with "Radio Ministry" in the memo of the check. Our Radio Ministry costs \$125.00 per week; your financial support will keep this ministry alive.

DEACONS' MISSION: With *Spring in the Air*, some of us may be thinking about Spring Cleaning. The Mission Committee turns their focus to assisting the YWCA-The Wings with providing cleaning supplies for the residents. During the month of April, they will be collecting cleaning supplies such as paper towels, cleaning products, disposable cleaning wipes, trash bags, and high efficiency laundry detergent. All of these items are greatly needed by the residents, so please add a few items to your shopping list to help The Wings.

WARREN PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA will present their spring concert, The Sound of Magic, at 3:00 p.m. today in the Sanctuary. Tickets are \$30.00 at the door.

THE SPIRE DEADLINE is Monday, April 22. Please email your photos and articles to Kathie at kathietrowbridge@fpcwarren.org.

ATTENTION: ALL FPC YOUTH! We will be having an exciting outing right here at FPC on **Thursday, April 25, at 5:30 p.m.** Come hang out, eat pizza, and solve the mystery of our very own escape room! Plan on bringing a friend and having lots of fun! For questions, call or text Marissa at 234-600-6773.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR KIDS' KAMP: Yes, it is that time of year already! The theme this year will be "Seekers in Sneakers, Discover Jesus!" Participants will enjoy a five-day journey of discovering Jesus. We will learn about Jesus the Companion, the Teacher, the Example, the Learner, and the Helper. Kids' Kamp will be held **June 23**- **June 27.** We will again serve dinner before we start the programs. If you are interested in helping with Kids' Kamp, please contact Marissa. Watch for more information to come.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! There will be a special section in the June *Spire* about our high school and college students. PLEASE send all information and updates to Church Office at kathietrowbridge@fpcwarren.org no later than **May 12**, **2024. Thank you!**

THE FIRST SUNDAY SPEAKER SERIES will be held on Sunday, May 5, in Fellowship Hall. The speaker will be Jerry Wolfe, an HIV Prevention Coordinator of the Warren City Health District. Jerry has been involved with the HIV/STI and the Risk Reduction community for over 12 years, primarily in outreach, advocacy, and education, and is a certified Ohio HIV/HCV counselor and tester. Currently, Jerry is directly responsible for HIV testing and education, Hepatitis C testing and education as well as education of STDs/Communicable diseases. The education also focuses on Health Equity and personal Health Advocacy. As part of Risk Reduction strategies, he trains the public on the use of Narcan from Project Dawn in case of opioid overdose. Most recently, he completed the Certified Community Health Work course at Kent State University in 2024 as a CCHW through the Ohio Nursing Board.

FAMILY TECH CONNECT: Are you struggling with your computer or cell phone? There is free technology help for seniors in Ashtabula, Trumbull, Mahoning, and Columbiana counties. Call 330-708-2992 for assistance.



Online giving can be done with your phone using the QR code on the left or use the pew card.

PASTOR: Rev. Kelly Lindsay DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY: DIRECTOR OF FAMILY AND YOUTH MINISTRY: LAY READER: RADIO, LIGHTS AND SOUND SYSTEM: VIDEO PROJECTION:

Melanie A. Vlad Marissa Welke Russell Zampino Alexis Musgrove **Bob Stahl**

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Sun, April 21	- Choir Rehearsal
Mon, April 22	- SPIRE Deadline - OA, P
Tues, April 23	- Al-Anon, B
Wed, April 24	- AA, MC 6:30 pm
Thur, April 25	- Prayer Talk, FH9:00 am - Worship Meeting, Z7:00 pm
Fri, April 26	- Church Office Closed
Sat, April 27	- AA, MC
Sun, April 28	- Choir Rehearsal