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> The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith *Pastor*

Welcome to the house of the Lord! May God's grace and peace fill you.

PRELUDE

STRIKING THE HOUR GREETING CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Announcements Prayer Concerns

INTROIT Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!
- P: Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!
- L: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!
- P: Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!
- L: Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
- P: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
- L: Let us worship God!

HYMN Christ Is Alive! (vs. 1, 2 & 5) PH 108

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of our ancestors, we confess that we have often sequestered ourselves in fear, harbored foolish doubts, paid greater deference to human authority than to your own, and forgotten your mighty deeds done in past generations. Forgive us, O God, and make us ever mindful of your purpose in sending Jesus Christ to suffer and die for us; may all the signs that you have performed foster ever greater faith in our hearts, throughout your church, and in those who have not yet come to believe, that all who come to faith in Jesus as Messiah may have life in his name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

- L: Hear the good news! Jesus Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.
- P: The former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. We rejoice in what the Lord is creating, for we are God's joy and delight.

L: Know that in Christ you are not only forgiven, but you are an entirely new creation. Alleluia! Thanks be God!

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy; tried and true; With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM

Calvary Covers It All

Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

NT LESSON		Acts 5:27-32		
SERMON	A Surprising Turnaround			
	The Rev. D	r. Evan R. Smith		
HYMN	O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing	PH 466		
CHARGE AND BENEDICTION				
CLOSING	I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb	Chancel Choir		
POSTLUDE				

THE APOSTLES' CREED

CH 655

PRAYERS

Prayer Concerns

Charlotte Dale Nita Wimer Linda Queen

Linda Lickliter

Martha Wilkerson Dick Hippeard

Stewart Sherwood D. W. Sensabaugh

Sue Gochenour Shut-Ins

Charlotte Dale - Brightview Senior Living Tim Clemmer – The Legacy Jean Flower – The Legacy

Birthdays

Kayla Siford 30

Anniversaries

26 Maria & Evan Smith

28 Rebecca & Steward Sherwood

Serving Our Country

Scott Dice - Son of Melissa and Harry Dice Nick Dubyk - Grandson of Betty and the late Willis Clemmer Christopher Todd – Grandson of Ralph and the late Ruth Weller Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

QUICK REMINDER

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

THIS WEEKATA GLANCE

Today April 24

10:30 AM Worship Chancel Choir practice immediately following worship Greeters & Ushers: All are needed

Thursday April 28

5:15 PM JuBELLation Handbell practice

Maundy Thursday Service 7 PM

Next Sunday May 1

10:30 AM Worship

Chancel Choir practice immediately following worship Greeters & Ushers: All are needed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETERS & USHERS

The sign-up sheet for greeters and ushers for the month of **May** is on the table in back of the sanctuary. Thanks so much for your help.

THANKS

Thank you to Evan and Mary Jo for the additional Maundy Thursday service and Good Friday music drama. Both added spiritual depth and meaning to our Holy Week and your additional time and talents are greatly appreciated.

THE SESSION

Class of 2022

Mark Robertson Nancy Swisher Paul Wolfe Class of 2023 Frank Brown Mary Rainey Debbie Sedr Jerry Siford Class of 2024 Amanda Harris Jim McKenna Rick Myrah Sherrill Robinson

Evan R. Smith, Moderator

Nancy Swisher, Clerk

Class of 2021 Ralph Weller TRUSTEES

Class of 2022 Dick Hippeard **Class of 2023** Betty Clemmer

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Moderator	Mary Rainey
Vice-Moderator	Pat Blackley
Secretary	Talitha Hippeard
Treasurer	

SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Christian Education/Worship	Mary Rainey & Jim McKenna
Membership & Outreach	Debbie Sedr & Sherrill Robinson
Mission & Community Service	Frank Brown & Amanda Harris
Stewardship and Finance	Mark Robertson
Property	Paul Wolfe & Rick Myrah
Personnel	

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith
Secretary	Kay Waitier
Music Director	Pam Snyder
Organist	Mary Jo Ramsey-Smith