

**Morning Worship**  
**April 28, 2019**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**We Gather in God's Name**

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

*The congregation is asked to make use of the prelude as a time of preparation, meditation and prayer.*

Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Introit *Be Not Afraid*

\*Call to Worship

Berthier

Jacob Goddard

Praise the LORD from the earth!

**Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!**

Young men and women alike, old and young together!

**Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.**

He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him.

**Praise the LORD!** (from Psalm 148)

\*Hymn 610 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Invitation to Confession

Remember that the Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.**

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Merciful God, forgive us, for our gratitude has been lacking. We have not received your blessings with open hands and hearts. Instead, we have too often asked, "Is that all?" We are so concerned for ourselves that we have made ourselves love-sick -- sick of loving ourselves too much and our neighbor too little. Have mercy on us, O God. Teach us to be rich in love and brimming with gratitude, that we may be recognizable as your very own sons and daughters. We pray this in Christ's name.**

(Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News! Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds we have been healed, and for that very reason he came into the world.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.**

\* Holy Interruption *We greet our neighbors in Christ's love*

Giving of our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

\* Praise of God *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

**We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;**

**All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee**

\*Prayer of Dedication

**We Receive God's Word**

Children's Sermon

Rev. Dr. Franklin Fant

*Preschool-Kindergarten age children are dismissed to the Pray n' Play program held in the room beside the church nursery in the main Church building. Children who are in the 1<sup>st</sup> grade and higher should return to their seats in the congregation.*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 6:1-15 (NT pg. 97)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Message: "Scarcity and Abundance" Rev. Dr. Franklin Fant

\* Hymn 697 *Take My Life*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA

**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.**

\**Gloria Patri* (hymn 581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,**

**World without end. Amen, Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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.**

**We Depart in God's Name**

\* Hymn 65 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

\* Benediction and Sending

\* Choral Response *Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand* Scheer

\* Postlude

The **flowers** are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Rev. Stuart Nickles by his family.

If you are visiting with us today, **please accept our gift of a coffee mug and a Newcomers' Packet.** They are located in the Narthex.

We **welcome** Dr. Franklin Fant to the pulpit this morning. Dr. Fant is the Director of Foundation Services and Church Relations for Presbyterian Communities of SC. Prior to this, he was the Pastor of Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church in Columbia, SC for almost 11 years, and served on the PCSC Board of Trustees for nine years.

Franklin has also worked in the private sector, in higher education, and with the Federal government. He holds a B.S. in Financial Management from Clemson University, a Ph. D. in Finance from Florida State University, an M. Div. from Columbia Theological Seminary, as well as the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

A native of Columbia and a cradle SC Presbyterian, Franklin is married to the former Christi Harley of Spartanburg.

We **welcome** Beth Maier as pianist today.

**Prayer List as of April 28, 2019**

Dee Pierce	Anne Bryan	Carole Kennedy
Gerry Rogers	Jack Baker	Larry Gaddy
Louise Carpenter	Robby Ashworth	Shenell Malloy
Charles Watson		

Residents at Presbyterian Communities of SC  
Artha Sompayrac – Summerville  
B. J. Moore - Summerville

Copies of the **extended prayer list** (which includes non-members) can be obtained by calling the church office.

To be a good steward of God’s blessings, please help “**fill the wagon**” for the McArn Community Ministry. The red wagon will be in the narthex every Sunday. Thanks for your generosity!

The **Pastor Nominating Committee** (PNC) invites your prayers for God’s guidance and wisdom. PNC members are Bill Malloy (chair), Christie McLeod (vice-chair), Dan Tillman (secretary), Marion Anderson and Cathy Chapman.

Updated print **directories** are available for you. Take one with you today!

**Nursery/Pray N’ Play**  
**28 – Maylen Harris**

**The Church This Week (4/28/2019)**

Today	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Youth
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
	3:00 p.m.	Fun Program
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

**Youth Sunday** will be next Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Our youth and children will be leading us in worship. We will also enjoy the spring bar-b-que, catered by Pigs-N-Vittles, immediately after worship service.

**Copies** of Dr. Sansbury’s Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday messages are available in the narthex. Copies of previous sermons will be made available upon request to the church office.

Dr. Sansbury will **return** from vacation this evening and will be back in the church office on Monday. He will attend the annual meeting of the Synod of South Atlantic on May 1-3. He is a commissioner to Synod this year on behalf of New Harmony Presbytery. The Synod will meet in Atlanta, GA.

The **Anson Singers** will perform Broadway show tunes on Sunday, May 5, 3:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Wadesboro. Please invite friends and family and come to hear a delightful program.

Jack Baker’s **new address**:  
T. Jack Baker, Commander Nursing Home  
4438 Pamplico Hwy., Florence, SC 29505

**The Session of First Presbyterian**

Dr. Dan Sansbury, Moderator

Mrs. Cathy Chapman, Clerk

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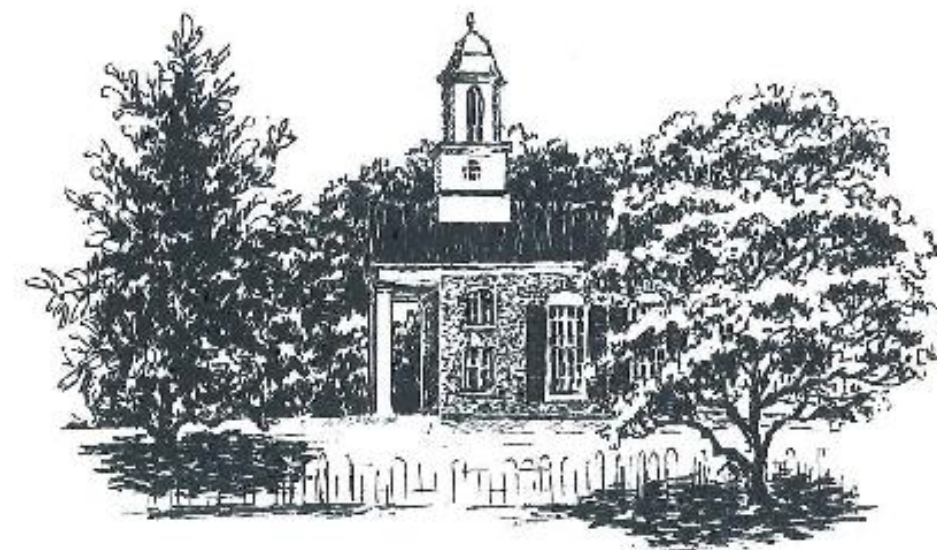
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**Our Vision**

**Rooted by God’s Grace,  
Growing in the Spirit,  
Reaching Out with Christ’s Love**



**Our Mission**

**By the Grace of God, we are rooted in Christ through love.  
We grow in the Spirit by worshipping, by studying,  
and by cultivating relationships with Christ and others.  
As stewards of God’s gifts and affirming our faith  
in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior,  
we share God’s Mission of reaching out  
with Christ’s Love.**

Dr. Dan Sansbury  
*Interim Pastor*

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