

# Fourth

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 3, 2015  
Morning Worship | 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

*Let us enter the Sanctuary in a spirit of meditation in preparation for worship.*

**Welcome – Greeting of the People – Announcements**

**Prelude** “This Is My Father’s World” Sheppard/arr. P. Keveren  
*James Steele, alto saxophone, Esther Steele, piano*

**Congregational Introit** St. Catherine  
Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place through all the ages of our race.  
Before the mountains had their birth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth,  
From years which no beginning had to years unending, Thou art God.  
- Psalm 90:1-2

**\*Prayer of Invocation and Adoration**

**\*Hymn of Adoration No. 1** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” Hymn to Joy

**Sharing of Family News**

**Prayer of Intercession**  
8:00 Rev. Corey Gray 9:30 Rev. Dave O’Connell 11:00 Rev. Ron Meyer

**Old Testament Reading** Genesis 18:1-5 page 12, pew Bible

**\*Hymn No. 287** “Our God Has Made Us One” Weber

**Call for the Offering and Prayer of Dedication**

**Passing of Friendship Register**

**Receiving of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

“I’m Trying To Be Like Jesus”  
*Sanctuary Choir; Cynthia Keith, flute; Phil Sargeant, oboe;  
Lynn Rechel, clarinet; James Steele, saxophone; Traci Klemm, piano*

Janice Perry  
arr. Barlow Bradford

I’m trying to be like Jesus;  
I’m following in His ways.  
I’m trying to love as He did,  
In all that I do and say.  
At times I am tempted to make a wrong choice,  
But I try to listen as the still small voice whispers,  
“Love one another as Jesus loves you.  
Try to show kindness in all that you do.  
Be gentle and loving in deed and in thought,  
For these are the things Jesus taught.”

I’m trying to love my neighbor;  
I’m learning to serve my friends.  
I watch for the day of gladness when Jesus will come again.  
I try to remember the lessons He taught.  
Then the Holy Spirit enters into my thoughts,  
Saying: “Love one another as Jesus loves you.  
Try to show kindness in all that you do.  
Be gentle and loving in deed and in thought,  
For these are the things Jesus taught.”

**New Testament Reading**

Luke 14:7-24

pages 873-74, pew Bible

**Sermon**

“Welcome”  
*4th in a series, “Divine Grace Made Visible”*

Dr. Robert M. Norris

**Hymn No. 283**

“We Are God’s People”

Symphony

**CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**Invitation to Communion**

**\*Declaration of Faith—The Apostles Creed**

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 Spirit, 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 at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Confession**

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature, our shortcomings, and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your way, in wasting Your gifts, and in forgetting Your love. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, Who are ashamed and sorry for all that displeases You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your own dear Son. Speak afresh to us the Gospel of Your grace, and remind us that if we confess our sins, You are faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In Your Son is our salvation, in Your promises our hope. Take us for Your children and give us the Spirit of Your Son, and in the end receive us into Your glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

**Words of Institution**

**Prayer of Consecration and the Lord's Prayer**

**Distribution of the Elements of the Lord's Supper**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**\*Communion Response**

**"Behold the Lamb"**

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4. And so with thank-ful-ness and faith we rise To re - spond,  
and to re-mem-ber Our call to fol-low in the steps of Christ As His  
bo - dy here on earth. As we share in His suf-fer-ing We pro-  
claim Christ will come a - gain! And we'll join in the  
feast of heaven A-round the tab - le of the King

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**"Trumpet Tune"**

David Kirk

**Participating Officers:**

8:00 Anson Keller

9:30 Chris Thatch

11:00 Dirk Rankin

*Elders are available for prayer or ministry at the front of the Sanctuary at the conclusion of each service.*

*Sanctuary flowers are a ministry of the Women of Fourth Flower Committee.*

**The morning worship service is broadcast each Sunday at 11:00am locally on WAVA 105.1 FM and worldwide by Internet streaming audio at [www.wava.com](http://www.wava.com).**

Hearing enhancement units are available for checkout in the Media Center or ask an usher for assistance.

## **Children's Choir Concert**

6pm in the Sanctuary

"Encouragement to Young Believers"

*Psalm 13:5-6; I Timothy 6:11-16*

Rev. Ron Meyer

## **Stewardship & Finance**

### **GENERAL GIVING**

Annual Budget	\$ 4,710,418
Year to Date Budget	\$ 1,242,560
Year to Date Received	\$ 1,141,728
Mortgage Balance	\$ 4,540,965

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*Fourth Presbyterian Church is a member congregation  
of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC).*

## **Next Sunday, May 10**

### **Morning Service**

8:00, 9:30, 11:00am

"Generous Love"

*Luke 17:3-10*

Dr. Robert M. Norris

### **Evening Service**

6pm in the Sanctuary

"Table Manners"

*Luke 14:1-11*

Rev. Ron Meyer

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.*