



SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: All who are dwindling and dying...

**People: Come forth to new life.**

Leader: All who are lying in darkness and despair...

**People: Come out into the light.**

Leader: All who feel separated and alone...

**People: Come to the presence of God, whose Spirit finds us here.**

\*HYMN *“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”*

No. 624

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new life and emerging possibilities, forgive us when death and despair occupy our focus. Embolden our faith when your future feels out of reach. Strengthen our courage, that we might come forth into the light and life of your promise. We pray in hope and trust in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In God’s love, there is hope. In Christ’s forgiveness, there is peace. In the Spirit’s power, we are renewed and brought forth into new life. Believe the good news of the gospel...

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*(Please share a sign of peace with others.)*

\*GLORIA PATRI

No. 581

ANTHEM

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

John 11:1-45

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*“The Resurrection and the Life”*

Rev. Dan Wilkers

SENDING

\*HYMN

*“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”*

No. 775

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*“The Apostles’ Creed”*

Hymnal p. 35

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN

*“There is Now a New Creation”*

No. 774

BENEDICTION

Rev. John Pruitt

POSTLUDE

**Serving Today (Apr 2)**

Greeters: Norman & Lynda Self  
Ushers: Lorna Foster & Winnie Theobald  
Lay Reader: Donna Myers

**Serving Next Sunday (Apr 9—Communion)**

Greeters: Bob & Donna Myers  
Ushers: Lorna Foster & Winnie Theobald  
Lay Reader: Dottie Roudabush  
Element Prep: Priscilla Henderson, Dottie Roudabush  
Assisting Elders: Faye Hodges, Becky Collins, Kerry Kerr, Rusty Sudderth, Lynda Self

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**GOOD MORNING!** We welcome each of you to this service of worship and we are glad you are here. We invite you to fill out the Welcome card found in the pew rack and place the card in the offering plate, so we can welcome you further and start to get to know you better.

**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**

<b>Today</b> (4/2)	9:00a	Café Faith
	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service
	11:30a	Farewell & Welcome Gathering
	2:00p	Easter Egg Hunt
<b>Mon</b> (4/3)	9:00a	EGGS Bulletin Information Due
<b>Tue</b> (4/4)	9:00a	EGGS
	5:00p	Wt. Watchers
	7:00p	W&M Committee Meeting
<b>Wed</b> (4/5)	9:00a	Wt. Watchers
	9:30a	Men's Bible Study
	7:30p	Adult Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thu</b> (4/6)	9:00a	EGGS— <i>Catered Lunch</i>
	5:30p	The Next 56 Days
<b>Fri</b> (4/7)		No Scheduled Church Activities
<b>Sat</b> (4/8)	8:30a	Women's Bible Study
<b>Sun</b> (4/9)	9:00a	Café Faith
	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service— <i>Communion</i>

**The Gathering:** Please join us on Wednesday, April 12, for The Gathering at 6:00p. A light dinner will be served immediately following the service.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** FPC will host an Easter Egg Hunt today, April 2, at 2:00p. All are invited, bring your own basket and snacks will be provided.

**Rent-A-Youth:** Don't Forget! If you need any yard work done, household repairs, odds & ends work, please contact Amy Evans and **rent our youth to do the work!**

**Financial Update can be found on the bulletin board.**

**Farewell & Welcome**

Today, April 2, we will be wishing Dan Wilkers the best as he leaves us for new endeavors; and we welcome our new Pastor, Rev. John Pruitt. Please join us, in the Fellowship Hall, immediately following worship service for a "Farewell and Welcome" gathering.



**Please fill out prayer request cards.**  
This will ensure that your request is added to the prayer list and that names are spelled correctly.  
Thank you for your assistance!

