

RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD



EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019
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A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE *Festival Trumpet Tune* David German

INTROIT (*11 a.m.*) *Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia* *Tanzanian Melody*

*Christ has arisen, alleluia. Rejoice and praise him, alleluia.
For our redeemer burst from the tomb, even from death, dispelling its gloom.
Let us sing praise to him with endless joy. Death's fearful sting he has come to destroy.
Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Sam Miglarese

Leader: Beloved church, behold the victory of our God: Jesus our Lord has conquered the grave.
People: **Christ is risen! Alleluia!**
Leader: Sin and death shall reign no more.
People: **Christ is risen indeed!**
Leader: Let this place resound with joy.
All: **Alleluia! The Lord is risen! Alleluia! Thanks be to God.**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 232** *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* *Easter Hymn*

***CONFESSION OF SIN** John Weicher

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit we have been raised from the waters of baptism to share in your glorious resurrection. Yet we have not lived as Easter people. We are unsure of your promise, confused about your will, and afraid in the face of danger. Call us by name, risen Lord, that we may know you with confidence. Whenever we are tempted to fear death; whenever we are distracted by petty conflicts; whenever we are overwhelmed by the power of evil, forgive us our sin and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation through the love of God and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon

COLLECT FOR THE DAY Jennie Alwood

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us pray.
People: **Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

** Those who are able, please stand.*

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

(Pew Bible, OT Page 696)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!****PSALM RESPONSE***Psalm 118*Sung to *Festal Song*

*Open the righteous gates, That I may enter them;
 "This is the gateway of the Lord, The just may now come in."*

*You answered me in need, And are my health alone;
 The stone the builders cast aside Is now the cornerstone.*

*This is the Lord's own work, And marvelous to see;
 The Lord has acted on this day, We praise his victory.*

GOSPEL READING

Luke 24:1-12

(Pew Bible, NT Page 90)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!****SERMON***"Our Only Hope"*

Mindy Douglas

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**(From *A Declaration of Faith*)

Sam Miglarese

We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real. It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

HYMN NO. 242Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded**In Dir Ist Freude****THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

*(Children through 1st grade enter worship during "The Peace.")***A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

Marilyn Hedgpeth

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to the Offering

John Weicher

*In addition to regular tithes and offerings, the **One Great Hour of Sharing offering** will be received at this time. **Please use the specially marked envelope provided in your bulletin for the OGHs offering.** Your generous gifts to this offering provide relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and help empower the poor and oppressed around the world.*

Offertory Voluntaries

*(9 a.m. – Handbell Choir)**Come Christians, Join to Sing*

Lloyd Larson

*(11 a.m. – Chancel Choir)**Spring Bursts Today (Easter Carol)*

Alfred V. Fedak (2014)

*Spring bursts today, for Christ is ris'n and all the earth's at play.**Flash forth, thou sun, the rain is over and gone, its work is done.**Winter is past, sweet spring is come at last.**Bud, fig and vine, olive, fat with fruit and oil and wine.**Break forth this morn in roses, thou but yesterday a thorn.*

*Uplift thy head, O pure white lily through the winter dead.
Beside your dams leap and rejoice, you merry-making Lambs.
All herds and flocks rejoice, all beasts of thickets and of rocks.
Sing, creatures, sing, angels and men and birds, and everything.
All notes of doves fill all our world: this is the time of love.*

- Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)

*Doxology

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

*Now let the vault of heaven resound In praise of Love that doth abound,
'Christ has triumphed, alleluia';
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear, Repeat their song of glory here,
'Christ hath triumphed, Christ hath triumphed!' Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Sam Miglarese (9 a.m.)
Marilyn Hedgpeth (11 a.m.)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Mindy Douglas

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Thanks and praise fill our hearts, Almighty God, for you are the Lord of creation and new covenant. You brought your people out of slavery to freedom, and you brought your Son from the depth of death to the glory of resurrection life. And so we gladly thank you, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, singing the hymn of unending praise:

All (sung):

Sanctus

Hymn No. 572

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Leader: Joy and gladness are our song, redeeming God, for in your conquest of death we see the destiny of every hope in you. Come among us in the power of your Holy Spirit, that your children may be blessed with power and grace, and that this bread and cup may become for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ; who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." Great is the mystery of faith.

All (sung):

Hymn No. 573



Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain.

Leader: Hope and glory are our breath, merciful God, for you have rolled away the stones of despair, oppression, lament, grief, death, sin, and fear. Come and stand among us and breathe on us your peace, that all who labor, all who stumble, all who hunger and thirst shall meet you in the breaking of the bread. Shape your church to be your risen body.

All (sung):

Hymn No. 574



A - men, a - men, a - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(in unison)*

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.

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP *(Gluten- and peanut-free bread is served by the baptismal font.)*

We are celebrating communion by intinction today. Please come forward, take the bread, dip it into the cup, eat, and return by the side aisles to your seat. If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand, and the pastors will bring the elements to you in the pew. Those seated in the balcony should proceed down to the Narthex and return to their seat.

Music (9 a.m. - Handbell Choir)
Hymn No. 513 (11 a.m. - all sing)

Holy Manna
This Is the Feast of Victory

arr. John Carter
Festival Canticle

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mindy Douglas

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All: **Eternal God, we praise you that your glory has dawned on us and brought us into this Day of Resurrection. We rejoice that the grave could not hold your Son and that he has conquered death, and has risen to rule over all powers of this earth. We praise you**

that he summons us into new life, to follow him with joy and gladness. By your Spirit, lift us from doubt and despair, and set our feet in Christ's holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life, and all we have may show forth his love. Praise, glory, and thanksgiving to you, our God, forever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 238	<i>Thine Is the Glory</i>	Judas Maccabeus
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		Mindy Douglas
*POSTLUDE	<i>Trumpet Tune in G</i>	Jeremy Bankston

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the **Ritual of Friendship pad**, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then **return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you. On April 14, we welcomed 23 visitors to worship.

THANKS to all who provided the majestic Easter lilies, presenting them as a glorious symbol of the Easter message, in memory or in honor of special ones. We are grateful to **Jean Wilson, Phyllis Verhey, and Alice Raney** for arranging for their delivery and placement in the sanctuary. If you contributed to the cost of the lilies, you may take a lily with you following worship today. If you desire for your lily to be taken to a homebound church member, please leave it in the sanctuary so it can be delivered by members of the Diaconate.

Special thanks to **Kent Foss** (trumpet), **Gordon Campbell** (organ) and the **FPC Bell Choir** for providing music for today's worship.

Nursery care for infants through 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Christian Education Building. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex which young children can read and enjoy if they need to take a break from the worship service.

Hearing Assistance Receivers are available from the ushers. Before you leave the sanctuary, please turn off the receiver and place it in the specially marked receptacle or return to an usher.

Our **Paschal Candle and stained Red Oak Stand**, crafted by Marklin Candle Design of Contoocook, New Hampshire and given in memory of **Elder Ed Kwon**, was originally dedicated on April 30, 2017. This candle stands as a visible sign of God's enduring presence in our beautiful century-old sanctuary. Rooted in Passover (Pesach) and adopted by early Christians, the lit Candle represents the Risen Christ's triumph over darkness and death, his resurrection, to become the Light of the World. The beeswax candle is inscribed with a Cross, an *alpha* and *omega*, symbols attesting to Christ's presence among us now and always. Traditionally, the Candle, reminding us that we are preeminently an Easter People, is lit during worship services throughout the fifty days of Eastertide from Easter to Pentecost, as well as at Baptisms where it signifies that we are crucified and resurrected with Christ, and at funerals and memorial services where it visually proclaims Paul's message in Romans 6: 3-4 that "all of us who have been baptized into Jesus Christ ... have been buried with him ... into death, so that just as Christ was raised from the dead ..., so we too might walk in newness of life."

Portions of today's **worship texts** were reprinted from *Book of Common Worship* (1993, 2018), *Eucharistic Prayers, Feasting on the Word*, and *Glory to God*.

~ Joys and Concerns ~

Our condolences to the family and friends of former FPC member, **Ralph Coonrad**, 95, who died April 12. Ralph was one of the charter members of Westminster Presbyterian Church (see page 253 of **Peter Fish's** book, *Downtown by History and by Choice*). A Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be held at Westminster Presbyterian on Friday, April 26 at 1:00 p.m. with a reception following at Hope Valley Country Club.

Added this week:

Mary Ann Ruegg (recovering in the health center at The Forest at Duke)

Tia Allen, client of FPC's Walk-in Ministry

Don Smith, recovering from the recent gas explosion near Brightleaf

Recovering at Home:

Marsha Butler

Harold Dunlap

Jack Kost

Margaret Mubanga

Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett

Joseph Ngumi

Franzi Rokoske (and her mother)

Carolyn and Jim Wolfe

Care Communities:

Brookdale Durham: **Julian Boswell, Becky Crockett**

Croasdaile Pavilion: **Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin**

Durham Regent: **John Kerr, Ann Prospero**

Pruitt Health at Carolina Point, Durham: **Helen Garrison**

The Forest at Duke: **Fran Bryant**

Family and Friends of the Congregation:

Fran Alwood, mother of Jennie Alwood

Bill Bigger, pastor of Hope Valley Baptist Church, Durham

Ken Chambliss, father of Will Chambliss

Camilla Crampton, friend of Mal King

Patrick Kimiti, friend of Mercy Ndambiri-Curlett in Kenya

Wayne Thompson, colleague of Li-Chen Chin

Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgist: **Jennie Alwood**

Narthex Greeter: **Alice Raney**

Ushers (9:00 a.m.): **Kathy Krahenbuhl** (head), **Stephen Berry, Dale Gaddis**

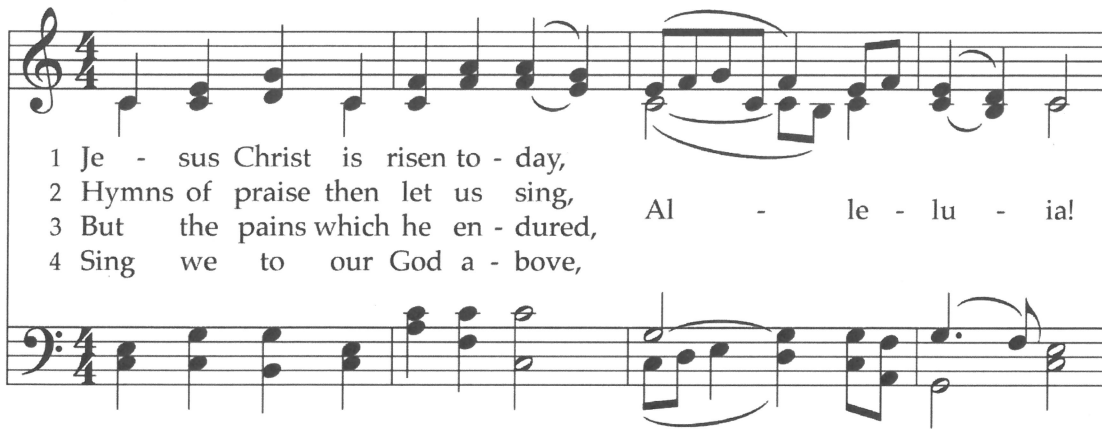
Ushers (11:00 a.m.): **John Mozart** (head), **Kathy Conner, Emily Wilkins, El Hess, Ginny Widmark**

Communion Elders:

(9 a.m.) **Delia Kwon** (head), **Eric Wiebe, Lenore Champion, Jane Williams, Peter Fish, Alice Raney, Tom Bacon, Marcia Lorimer**

(11 a.m.) **Miriam Morey** (head), **Marie Sappenfield, David Sappenfield, Cris Rivera, Sharon Hirsch, Kristen Meade, Phyllis Verhey, Jane Brawley, Jane Wettach, Gray Wilson, Luke Everett, Alice Raney, Andy Henry, Lea Bingham**

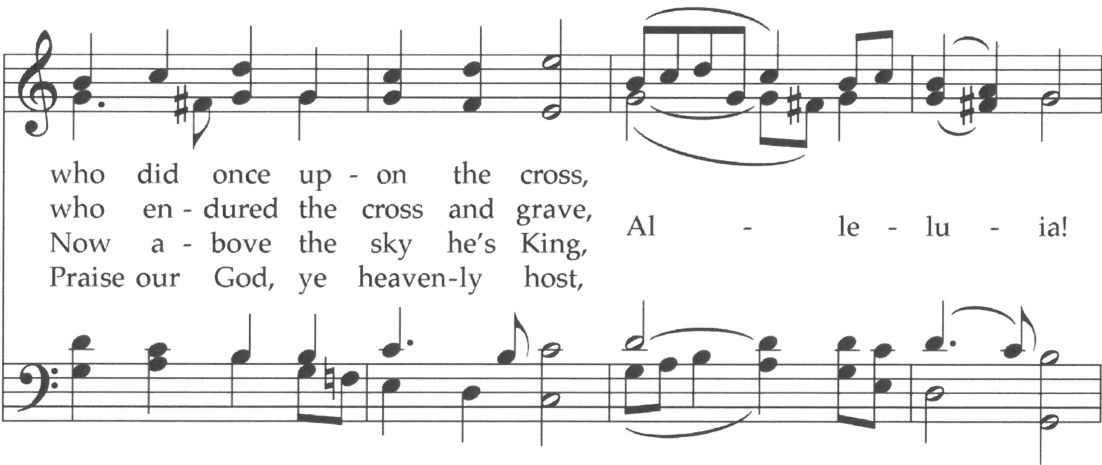
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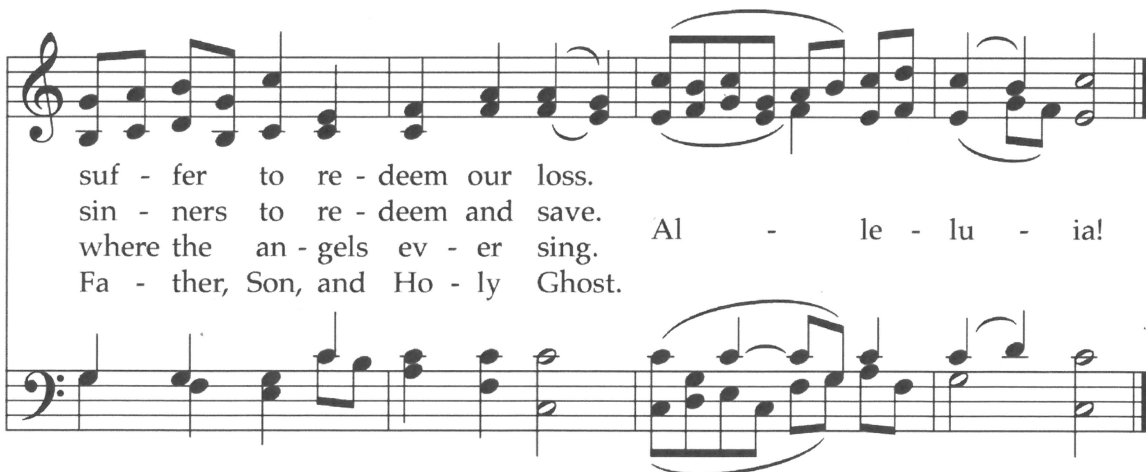
1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured,
4 Sing we to our God a - bove,



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
praise e - ter - nal as God's love.



who did once up - on the cross,
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky he's King,
Praise our God, ye heaven - ly host,



suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing.
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing Son; end - less is
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic-tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai-ment
 he greets us, scat-ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad-ness
 with-out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con-querors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

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Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed, tell the news, the

gos - pel spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ

ris - en from the dead! 1 Sing of the sun from dark - ness ap -
2 Sing now of mourn - ing turned in - to

pear - ing; sing of the seed from bar - ren earth green - ing;
danc - ing; sing now the mys - tery, hope of our glo - ry;

sing of cre - a - tion, al - le - lu - ia! Sing of the
sing with thanks - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia! Sing now of

stream from Je - sus' side flow - ing; sing of the saints in
fast - ing turned in - to feast - ing; sing the Lord's fa - vor

wa - ter made ho - ly; sing of sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!
last - ing for - ev - er; sing, all things liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

This Is the Feast of Victory 513

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-

lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! lu - ia!

- 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia!

Families Moving Forward, our neighbor and partner in helping families move through homelessness to self-sufficiency, has asked First Presbyterian to sponsor our fourth Circle of Support. A Circle is about 4-8 people who agree to spend a year working with a family that is leaving FMF for permanent housing. Circle partners meet regularly with the family, helping them connect to resources and offering support as they seek to become stable and retain housing. The time commitment varies over the year, depending on the family and the number of partners. If you are interested in participating or just learning more, please contact Lea Bingham, leabingham@gmail.com or 919-358-1774.

The Week at a Glance!

<p>Later Today</p> <p>10:00 AM Fellowship Brunch</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship and Communion</p> <p>No Children's Choir</p> <p>No Youth Groups</p>	<p>Monday, April 22</p> <p>Church Office is CLOSED in observance of the Easter holiday</p>	<p>Tuesday, April 23</p> <p>8:00 – 8:45 AM High School Youth Midweek Morning Meal at Joe Van Gogh</p> <p>1:30 PM Plan Worship</p> <p>2:30 PM Program Staff</p> <p>6:00 PM Finance & Investment Committee</p> <p>7:00 PM Vox Men's Chorus</p>	<p>Wednesday, April 24</p> <p>5:00 PM Bell Choir</p> <p>5:30 – 7:30 PM Bread and Wine Fellowship at Durham Co-op Market</p> <p>7:00 PM Chancel Choir</p> <p>7:00 PM Long Range Planning Team</p>
<p>Thursday, April 25</p> <p>7:00 PM Religious Coalition and Durham's Local Reentry Council's 2nd Annual Durham Reentry Homecoming Celebration (at FPC, with reception)</p>	<p>Friday, April 26</p> <p>1:00 PM Memorial Service for Ralph Coonrad (at Westminster PC)</p> <p>6 PM Friday – Noon Saturday Scratch/Young Adults Campout at New Hope Camp</p>	<p>Saturday, April 27</p> <p>6:30 PM First Friends and Families Potluck (at the home of Jane Wettach and Paul Baldasare)</p>	<p>Sunday, April 28 <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i></p> <p>9:45 AM Sunday School</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship The Hunger for Change offering is received.</p> <p>12:30 – 2:30 PM New Officers' Training (Lunch included; FPC parlors)</p> <p>4:30 – 6:30 PM Middle School Youth (Prayer Walk)</p> <p>6:00 – 8:00 PM High School Youth (Prayer Walk)</p>

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