

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

Elder Stu Strong, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude

“Praise the Almighty King”

Dr. Gilbreath

We Gather in God’s Presence

Welcome

Call to Worship:

One: How good it is to come together as kindred spirits.

All: Hallelujah! Our doubts are answered, and we feel the presence of Christ.

One: The risen Christ speaks to us and gives us peace.

All: Hallelujah! Let our worship by the sign of our belief.

*Hymn

“Baptized in Water”

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Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Sovereign God, in baptism, you called us to turn from sin and to turn to Jesus Christ; but we stray from his ways and do not heed your call. In baptism, you joined us to Christ in his death, that we might be raised with Christ in new life; but we cherish old ways and fail to embrace the risen life of righteousness, justice, and love. In baptism, you united us with all the baptized who confess your name; but we foster division in the church. We refuse to live as one people, and so fail to witness to your reconciling love before the world. In baptism, you call us to ministry in all realms of life; but we refuse the struggle to know your will. We do not nurture the ways of peace. We refuse to live as one people, and so fail to witness to your reconciling love before the world. Have mercy on us, and remember your promises to us once again. Amen. (Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response

“Jesus Loves Me!” v.1

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Assurance of Pardon:

One: Hear the good news! In baptism, you were buried with Christ. In baptism also

you were raised to life with him, through faith in the power of God who raised Christ from the dead.

All: By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

The Sacrament of Baptism

Samuel Hudson Shull

*Passing of the Peace

*Baptismal Response Hymn

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”

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We Listen for God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Elder Stu Strong

Scripture Reading

Galatians 3:23-29

Elder Stu Strong

Anthem

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

Choir

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Rev. Brogdon

Sermon

“Clothed with Christ”

Rev. Brogdon

We Respond to God’s Word

Call for the Offering

Offertory

“At the Name of Jesus”

Dr. Gilbreath

*Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

*Communion Hymn

“I Come with Joy”

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Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: It is truly right and our greatest joy to praise you...

One: and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever praise your name:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

One: Holy God, we thank you for Jesus Christ, your Son.

One: Great is the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Rev. Brogdon continues.

And now we pray together the prayer Jesus taught us to pray, saying... "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."

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer After Communion

We, your baptized and beloved children, have come to this table hungry for your hope in our lives, yearning for your peace to fill us. Having been fed by you, we pray that we would now go forth into the world to bring the homeless off lonely streets, to feed the hungry with more than clichés, to welcome the stranger as our sister, and to embrace the outcast as our brother. Amen.

We Are Sent Into the World

*Hymn	"I've Got Peace like a River"	#623
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*Benediction		Rev. Brogdon
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Postlude	"Crown Him with many Crowns"	Dr. Gilbreath
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*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar:

Mon., April 8	HAD Lunch, sign up to bring cornbread, rolls or dessert
Wed., April 10	4:30 PM Choir 5:30 PM CONNECT with John Shull

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Scripture Reading, Elder Stu Strong: Galatians 3:23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

Scripture Reading, Rev Brogdon: Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."