



Easter Sunday

Resurrection of the Lord

April 20, 2014

Rev. Patricia Vanderpol

Organist: Dr. Susie F. Dempsey

Lay Reader
Carolyn Padgett

Elder Greeter
Casper Bell

Ushers
Casper Bell and Wayne Claeren

Gathering

First Ringing of the Bell ☞ Music for Meditation

Second Ringing of the Bell ☞ Opening of the Bible

Welcome, Joys, Concerns, and Announcements

Prelude

Prelude on Llanfair Robert Powell
(Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, Hymn Ref. 113)

Call to Worship

One: The world is shaken, the stone rolled away, the tomb empty! Christ is risen!

All: **The power of God is revealed; death is defeated, and life is affirmed.**

One: Fear is vanquished, and joy reborn!

All: **Christ is risen indeed!**

One: Nothing remains the same, for it is Easter Day! Lift up your hearts and voices, and praise the name of Jesus, our risen Lord!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Prayer of Adoration and The Lord's Prayer

†Hymn *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* Hymnal #113

†Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed traditional Hymnal Page 14



Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

Moment for Personal, Silent Confession

The Kyrie Eleison -All are invited to sing- Hymnal # 572
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

†The Gloria Patri

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.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Epistle Reading Colossians 3:1-4 NT Page 201
The New Life in Christ

One: The Word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

Time with the Young Church

Gospel Reading Matthew 28:1-10; 16-20 NT Page 33
The Resurrection of Jesus and Commissioning of the Disciples

One: The Word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **Easter, Scene 2014** Rev. Patricia Vanderpol

†Hymn *Alleluia, Alleluia!* Hymnal #106
Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

Prayers of the People



†Please stand if you are able.

Offertory

Panis Angelicus
(O Lord Most Holy)

Cesar Franck-Paxton

†Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Sending

†Hymn *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain* Hymnal #115

†Charge and Benediction

†Hymn *Song of Hope* Hymnal # 432
May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race. Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all; working, for a world that's new; faithful, when we hear Christ's call.

Postlude

Hymn to Joy

Beethoven-Albert Travis

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In this life there is much opportunity for failure. We are frail and finite creatures who do not have it within our power always to succeed and prosper, always to live and thrive. In the resurrection, Christ triumphs over our sin and our death, giving us hope for God's great consummation and victory.



I Am with You Always

Welcome to our Visitors

We are happy to have you worship with us and we hope you will return to worship with us again in the near future. Please indicate your attendance by filling out a visitor's card and placing it in the offering plate. If you are interested in learning more about membership in First Presbyterian Church, please speak to our Pastor after the service.

Prayer requests - Yellow folders in the pew racks may be used to request prayer. The Pastor will receive requests before the Prayers of the People.

Announcements

Food for the Jacksonville Christian Outreach Center (JCOC) – Today we will collect food for the JCOC. Please bring canned pasta, canned fruits, canned soups, and beef stew to help keep the shelves stocked for those in need.

The **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** will be collected today.

We welcome back **Rev. Patricia Vanderpol** as our guest minister today.



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Happy Easter

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Ethelyn Brown
 Daniel Davis (friend of Hannah Underhill)
 Gene Fair
 John Franklin (Glen and Barbara Franklin's son)
 Kelly Garner
 Bobby Haynes
 Stacy Boozer Mariani
 Ken Mount
 Dan Neisler
 Diane Mount Nisbet (Dorothy Jane Nisbet's daughter-in-law)
 Carolyn Paris
 Kathy Peters (Gary Brown's cousin)
 Martha Rogers (friend of Margaret Pope)
 Ellen Simpson
 Thompson Nash Wagoner
 Gary Wilborn (friend of the Boozers)



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Next Sunday – April 27

Rev. Monty Clendenin

Scripture

Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16;
 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

Elder Greeter

Cosper Bell

Lay Reader

Carolyn Padgett

Ushers

Wayne Claeren and David Talley



Worship Opportunities for this Week

Day	Time	Activity
Today	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:30am	Between the hours fellowship
	11:00am	Worship Service
	5:00pm	Bible Study – Living the Questions
Wednesday	10:00am	Bible Study
Next Sunday	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:30am	Between the hours fellowship
	11:00am	Worship Service
	5:00pm	Bible Study – Living the Questions

**Dr. Susie F. Dempsey, Church Organist; Carlton Ward, Treasurer
 Mary Furlow, Secretary**

The Session

Class of 2014
 Wayne Claeren
 Barbara Franklin
 Laura Underhill

Class of 2015
 Aleta Bell
 Carolyn Padgett
 Sharon Ward

Class of 2016
 Ethelyn Brown
 Margaret Pope
 Don Seymour

Lana Boozer

Trustees
 Carlton Ward

Cosper Bell

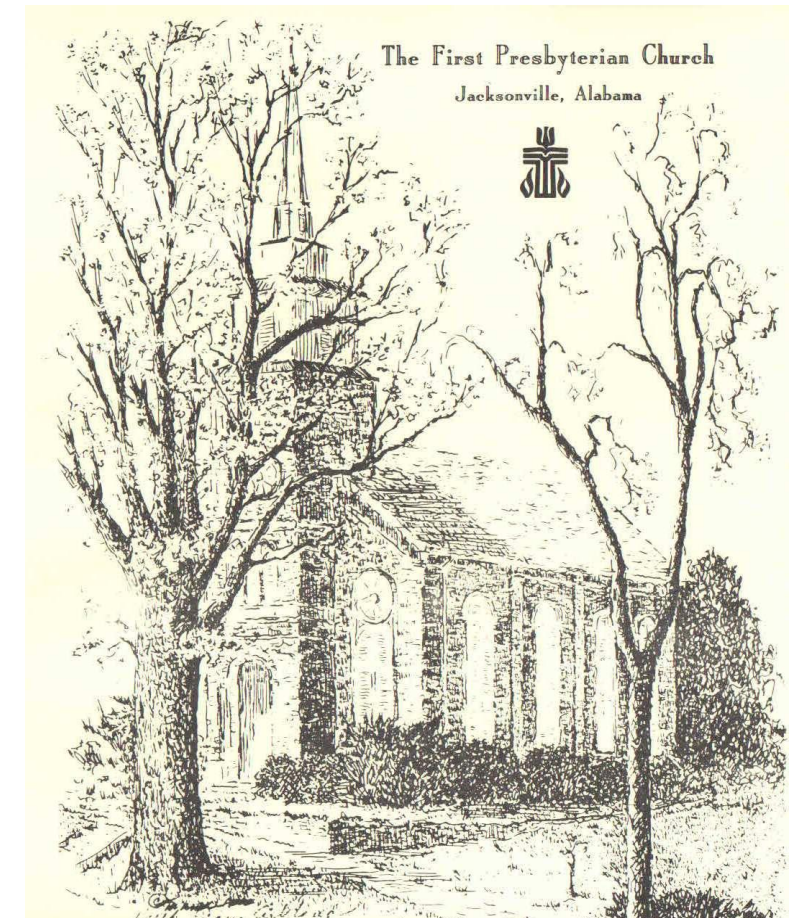
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