

  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
*April 14, 2013*

Rev. Tom Winter

Organist: Dr. Susie F. Dempsey

Lay Reader  
Barbara Franklin

Elder Greeter  
Ivan Ratzlaff

Ushers  
Toby and Austin Falk

### Gathering

**First Ringing of the Bell** ☞ Music for Meditation

**Second Ringing of the Bell** ☞ Opening of the Bible

**Welcome, Joys, Concerns, and Announcements**

**Prelude**      *Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing!*    Arr. Wilber Held  
Hymn Ref #108 (TUNE: TRURO)

### Call to Worship

*Revelation 5:11-13*

One: I looked and heard the voice of angels, thousands and thousands around God's throne, singing:

**All: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!**

One: Then I heard every creature on earth, and under the earth, and in the sea, singing:

**All: To the one who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!**

### Prayer of Adoration and The Lord's Prayer

†Hymn      *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*      Hymnal #142

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

### Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus, on the Damascus Road you asked Paul a tough question, a question we would do well to ask ourselves – why, why do we persecute you through our words and actions, our denials, the roadblocks we build, and the physical and spiritual borders we defend? We have clothed ourselves with the culture of contention that has enveloped our societies. We pray that you will knock us off our perches and put us back on your course. We pray for your forgiveness and guidance. 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

#### Responsive Reading

Psalm 30

*The psalmist prays to God for God's forgiveness from "a sickness unto death."*

One: I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

**All: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.**

One: O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

**All: Sing praises to the Lord, O you God's faithful ones, and give thanks to God's holy name.**

One: For God's anger is but for a moment; God's favor is for a lifetime.

**All: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

One: As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."

**All: By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed.**

One: To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication: "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?"

**All: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!"**

One: You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

**All: O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.**

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

### Time with the Young People

**The Second Reading**      Acts 9:1-6      NT Page 127  
*Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?*

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

**The Gospel Reading**      John 21:1-19      NT Page 115  
*The risen Jesus appears before his disciples by the sea and commissions Simon Peter to feed his sheep.*

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

**Sermon**      **The First Breakfast**      **Rev. Tom Winter**

†Hymn      *Just As I Am, Without One Plea*      Hymnal #370

### Prayers of the People

**Offertory**      *Meditation on Hymn tune ("Thaxed")*      Gustav Holst  
Arr. C. Callahan

#### †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      *Christ Is Alive!*      Hymnal #108

#### †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**      *Postlude on Fredericktown*      R. Powell

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† Please stand if you are able.

## 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 one of our pastors or the Elder Greeter after the service.

**Nursery will be provided** for all children 6 years and under.

**Prayer requests** - Yellow folders in the pew racks may be used to request prayer. Please place your request in the offering plate when the offering is received.

## Announcements

**Food for the Jacksonville Christian Outreach Center (JCOC)** – Next Sunday 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.

**Session Meeting** - The Session will meet today at 12:30 for the Stated meeting; please bring your lunch.

**Third Sunday Dinner** – Our monthly Church Dinner will be next Sunday immediately after the Service. Please join us for this time of wonderful food and fellowship.



**Please keep the following people in your prayers.**

Frank Bowie  
Daniel Davis (friend of Hannah Underhill)  
Mary Lois Dempsey  
Bobby Haynes  
Joy Kelly and Family  
Stacy Boozer Mariani  
Ken Mount  
Mary Frances Murphree (Ethelyn Brown's mother)  
Arvid Padgett  
Martha Rogers (friend of Margaret Pope)  
Mike Underhill (Steve Underhill's uncle)



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**Next Sunday – April 21**

*Rev. Tom Winter*

### Scripture

Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23;  
Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

### Lay Reader

Margaret Pope

### Ushers

Ethelyn Brown and Don Seymour



### Worship Opportunities for this Week

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|--------------------|---------|------------------------------|
| <b>Today</b>       | 9:45am  | Sunday School                |
|                    | 10:30am | Between the hours fellowship |
|                    | 11:00am | Worship Service              |
|                    | 5:00pm  | Bible Study                  |
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**Rev. Thomas S. Winter, Stated Supply Pastor**  
**Dr. Susie F. Dempsey, Church Organist; Carlton Ward, Treasurer**  
**Mary Furlow, Secretary**

**The Session** Rev. Tom Winter, Moderator

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Gary Brown  
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Barbara Franklin  
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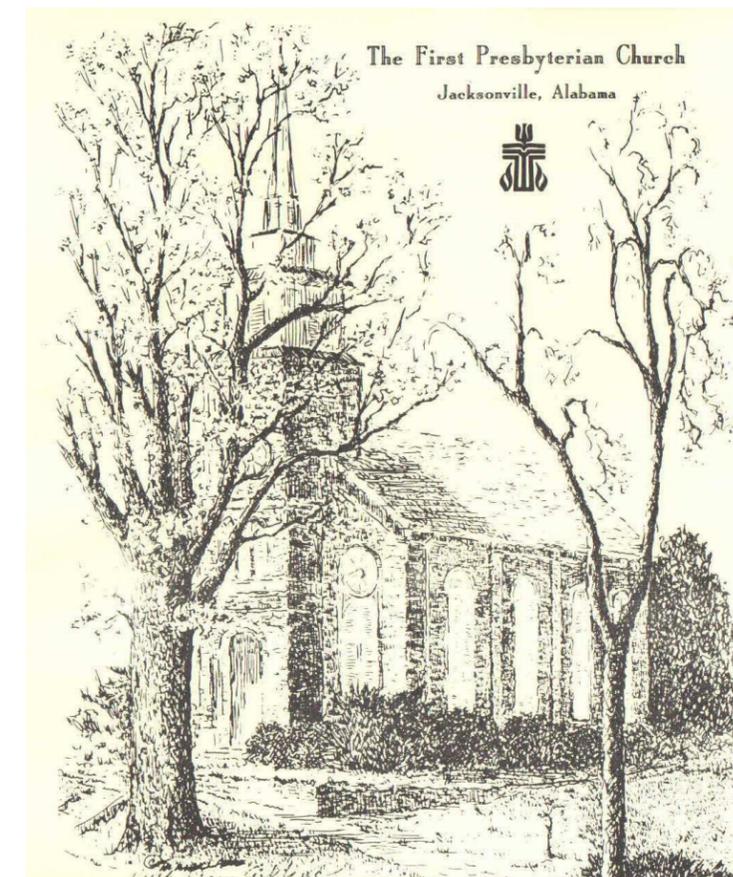
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