

The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

April 14, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Third Sunday of Eastertide

"Inwardly, we are being renewed day by day." 2 Corinthians 4:16b

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes Introit

*Call to Worship (Psalm 4)

Leader: Answer me when I call to you, my righteous God. Give me relief from my distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

People: How long will you people turn my glory into shame? How long will you love delusions and seek false gods?

Leader: Know that the Lord has set apart his faithful servant for himself; the Lord hears when I call to him.

Unison: Fill my heart with joy when their grain and new wine abound. In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

*Hymn

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

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Prayer of Confession

Loving and Powerful God, we confess that we lose heart. Evil seems so large. We seem too small. We forget that you never asked us to overcome on our own. You give us the gift of one another and the fellowship of the Spirit. We are a part of an army stretching back through many centuries, reaching around the world and moving towards your victory tomorrow. So when we get lost in our anxieties, lift us up and set us on the solid ground of your Truth. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation. (Isaiah 25:9 paraphrased)

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Choral Response

"Gloria Patri"

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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.

*Sharing the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Interlude

Moment for Mission

Prayer for Illumination

We need your eyes, Lord. The voices between our ears are confusing, contradictory and incessant. You promise us peace through Truth. By your Spirit, guide what is said, heard and believed so your will may be done. In Christ's Name, Amen.

First Epistle Reading - 1 John 3:1-3

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Second Epistle Reading – Hebrews 2:10-14

In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. He says, "I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters; in the assembly I will sing your praises." And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again he says, "Here am I, and the children God has given me." Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil—and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham's descendants.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Message Reading - 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Leader: God's Word for Today. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"The Better Life 2, Death is A Transition"

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Presentation of Gifts & Offerings

Call to the Offering

Offerings may be made online at https://fpcdelhi.org/offering/ or by USPS mail service.

Offertory

*Choral Response

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Amazing God, lover of our hearts, you have given us all good things, then given us even better things in Jesus Christ our Lord. So we give in return and ask your blessing on our gifts and the witness of our lives individually and together. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

... "forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors"

*Closing Hymn

"Here I Am, Lord"

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- *Charge to the Congregation
- *Benediction

Postlude

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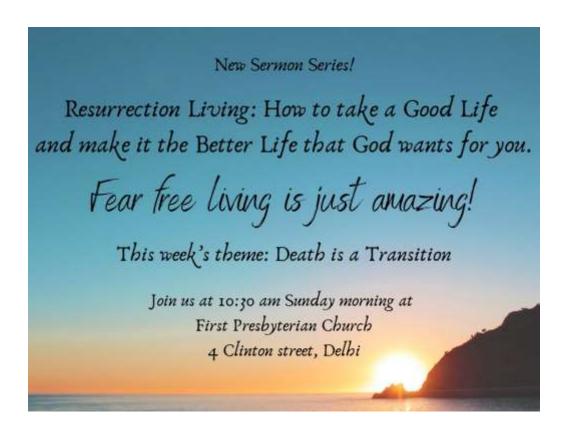
Thought for the Day: "For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline." —2 Timothy 1:7

Leading us in worship this morning:
Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim
Billy Meredith, Music Director
Renee Maxwell, Liturgist

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First Presbyterian Church

of Delhi, New York April 14, 2024

Welcome to worship in the name of the God of life, the risen Jesus, and the Holy Spirit who empowers our discipleship. Amen.

(*Prayer*) The risen Jesus invites us into peace as we touch his scarred body. May we, the body of Christ, share his peace with one another by touching each other's lives with love.

Your **tithes and offerings** may be made online via PayPal, click the donate button at **https://fpcdelhi.org/offering**, or by regular USPS mail (4 Clinton Street, Delhi, NY 13753).

Our **mission focus for April** is preparing and shipping CWS Personal Care Kits. The kits have already been prepared, but you can help by donating toward the cost of shipping the kits by using the Mission envelopes or writing "CWS kits" on the memo line of your check.

This Sunday is the last Sunday we will be using Google Meet for our Sunday service livestreams. Starting next Sunday (4/21) we will stream our services on our YouTube channel. Darcy will still send out a link to the livestream with the bulletin each week, but you can also subscribe to our channel (https://www.youtube.com/@firstpresbyterianchurchofdelhi) at any time and you will be able to access the services by going to the "Live" tab. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Darcy in the office.

We will be having a meeting on April 25 at 7:00pm to discuss whether changes should be made to the bylaws in order to not overwork or overburden our officers while many leaders are serving on the PNC.

May 5 is "Wear a Hat to Church Sunday," and if you would like, it is the day after the Kentucky Derby. It is customary to decorate your hat with a spring/horse theme. So dress your hats up! And if you need a hat, try the Kirk.

The last Sunday of every month is a BOUNTIFUL GIVING SUNDAY. The Delhi Food Pantry is accepting non-perishable food items. You can also donate via https://fpcdelhi.org/content/offering or give cash or check donations designated for the food bank. Please make checks out to First Presbyterian Church. Checks may also be mailed via regular mail to the church at 4 Clinton Street, Delhi NY 13753.

The **TRUSTEES** responsible for counting today are Alex Cantwell and Ed Goff. The Trustees responsible for counting on April 21 are Art Maxwell and Tom Leo.

Devotional booklets (Upper Room and Daily Bread) are available outside the office and in the new narthex. Please take one for your daily devotions!

THOUGHTS ON GIVING "Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' But they were startled and frightened..." - Luke 24:36-37. Throughout the day we have many opportunities to "see the face of Jesus" in others and to "be the face of Jesus" to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide "peace" to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a "God-centered" life and not a "self-centered" life.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we have the courage to do the work God has sent us to do, knowing that this is the true path to peace and joy.

The **Per Capita** amount for 2024 has been set at \$45.90 per member.

Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance	38 - 37 in sanctuary +
Sunday 4-7-2024	approx. 1 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,759.08*
General amount given week of 4-7-2024	\$791.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$24,627.12
General amount given YTD as of 4-7-2024	\$24,615.90
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$336.54
Fuel Fund given week of 4-7-2024	\$0.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$4,711.56
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 4-7-2024	\$910.00
Kirk Receipts 3-31-24 to 4-6-24	\$1,523.72
Mission giving week of 4-7-2024	\$0.00
Mission giving YTD as of 4-7-2024	\$531.00
Apportionment Needed 2024	\$6,930.90
Apportionment received YTD as of 4-7-2024	\$1,134.20

^{*}General amount needed each week is total expenses minus budgeted savings transfers and fuel expenses.

SUNDAY	9:30 am Deacons Meeting
April 14	10:30 am Worship
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MONDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
April 15	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
	3:00 pm Girl Scouts
TUESDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
April 16	
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
April 17	10:30 am Gentle Yoga (Chapel)
	5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 pm MWS Meeting
	6:30 pm Trustees Meeting
THURSDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
April 18	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
April 19	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open
	10:30 am Adult Ballet Class
SATURDAY	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open
April 20	9:30 am Yoga
SUNDAY	9:45 am Sunday School
April 21	9:45 am Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am Worship