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WELCOMING ● INCLUSIVE ● EVOLVING



* indicates congregation standing, as able

PRELUDE

Dr. Wojciech Wojtasiewicz

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas

MINUTE FOR MISSION Habitat for Humanity

INTROIT #111 (v1) **“Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing”** Dr. Wojciech Wojtasiewicz

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Followers of Jesus, by His cross we are redeemed from the futility of sin.

People: Alleluia!

Leader: By His rising we are free from the fear of death.

People: Alleluia!

Leader: By His love we are made new in the living and enduring Word of God.

People: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

*HYMN # 108

“Christ is Alive!”

TRURO

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Jim Berger

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

Almighty God, You have accepted our Lord’s sacrifice for our salvation. By Your power You have raised Him from the dead, You have clothed Him again with flesh so that His disciples might recognize Him. We humbly confess that, while we know the story and believe it, it often has made too little difference in our lives, and at times we have been silent when we should have spoken of it. Forgive us, we pray, of these sins. Enable us today to reflect more deeply on the sacred story, that our obedience may be increased, that our service may be more joyful, and our testimony may be more courageous. Hear us in the name of our risen Savior. Amen.

Silence kept for personal prayers of confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Dr. Jim Berger

*SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rev. Dr. Jim Berger

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - #577 Gloria Patri (unison)

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Following this time, the children and youth are encouraged to attend Sunday School where they can get a deeper understanding of the gospel of Jesus Christ and strengthen themselves and their families.

Anthem "Beautiful Savior" Lloyd Larson

Beautiful Savior! King of creation! Son of God and Son of Man!
 Truly I'll love Thee, truly I'll serve Thee. Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 Fair are the meadows. Fair are the woodlands, robed in the blooming flowers of spring.
 Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes the woeful heart to sing.
 Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright are the sparkling stars on high,
 Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the holy angels in the sky,
 Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!
 Glory and honor, praise, adoration, forever more, forever more,
 now and forevermore be Thine, glory and adoration now and evermore!

SCRIPTURE LESSON - Psalm 40:1-5 Rev. Dr. Jim Berger

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE LESSON - John 21:1-8 Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "St. Peter's Fish" Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

HYMN (Insert) **"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"**

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas

Offertory **"Take the Name of Jesus With You"** Dr. Wojtasiewicz
 Rev. Dr. Jim Berger

(Refrain) **Precious Name! Oh, how sweet!
 Hope of earth and joy of heav'n;
 Precious Name! Oh, how sweet!
 Hope of earth and joy of heav'n.**

*Doxology #592 OLD HUNDREDTH
 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Dedication Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN

*CLOSING HYMN (Insert)

“In the Bulb There is a Flower”

Doris Akers

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Jim Berger

POSTLUDE

Dr. Wojciech Wojtasiewicz

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship today. May the gift of worship we offer today honor God and serve as a blessing to you.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Jim Berger and Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas

THE MUSIC TODAY

Dr. Wojciech Wojtasiewicz, Director of Music
Faith Choir

ALSO SERVING

Ushers and Greeters: Lee Torkelson, Don Chappellear, Maureen Nistal, Maureen Horger, Harry Hoffman and Terry Hoffman

Please remember that we worship every Sunday and the recorded service is available via our church website. Livestream is available also.

Please be mindful to silence all cell phones during worship so that your fellow worshippers may focus on the presence of the living God in our midst, and the gift of worship we offer God together this morning.

Friendship Pads are placed near the end of each pew. If you can, please sign your name, and pass this along the pew. We'd love to know you joined us for worship this morning!

Children's worship totes are available on the East wall of the welcome area in the narthex. Children and families are welcome to use the contents during worship service, and then return the tote following the service, so that others may enjoy its worship related contents as well. If you have any questions, please speak with an usher this morning.

Hearing-Assistance Loop System is located in a basket on a stand near the parlor in the narthex. If you benefit from additional assistance to hear worship, please find an available system in the basket. The Hearing Loop Assistive Listening System can be activated by switching your hearing aid or cochlear implant to “T”(TELEPHONE)

THIS MORNING AT FAITH

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Coffee Hour @ 11:30am! Our Coffee Hour is hosted following the worship service in Fellowship Hall. **Thank you to Deacons Maureen Nistal, Liz Martin and Margo Cannell for hosting this morning.** Everyone is welcome to gather and enjoy meeting old friends, making new ones and having good conversation with others.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 15	Ruth 1-2; Acts 3
Tuesday, April 16	Ruth 3-4; Psalm 37; Acts 4
Wednesday, April 17	1 Samuel 1-2; Psalm 120; Acts 5
Thursday, April 18	1 Samuel 3-5; Psalm 23; Acts 6
Friday, April 19	1 Samuel 6-8; Acts 7

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

Joys include: Pray for God's hope to fill us with all joy and peace as we trust in Him, so that we may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Concerns include:

For those who mourn: Family and friends of Candace Wester, David Barton and family of Miriam Barton, Jan Greene and the family of Harlen Greene

For those recently hospitalized: Dee Dennis, Sarah Combs

For those recovering and healing: Tami Pugh's great-niece Samantha, Joe White, Mary Francis, Deanna Polito, Larry Elliott, Kate Payton

For those seeking comfort and encouragement: Bob and Lee

For gratitude and praise: For all of the strength to sustain us each day. We are grateful for Your love, grace, and mercies that rise with the morning sun.

For a world in need: Please pray for the family and friends of those affected by the Baltimore Key Bridge Collapse. Continue to pray for peace, love and friendship as God wills it. Amen.

Please pray for and reach out to those who are in need of a compassionate touch and a kind word. If you wish to be included on this public prayer list, email office@fpcf.org. Prayer Joys & Concerns will be included for three weeks unless otherwise requested via email.

UP AND COMING AT FAITH

Sunday, April 14 / 3rd Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Wired Word - *Room 7*
9:30 AM Confirmation Class—*Room 8*
10:00 AM Choir Warm-up—*Music Suite*
10:30 AM Worship—*Sanctuary*
11:30 AM Coffee Hour - *Fellowship Hall*
**hosted by Deacons Maureen Nistal,
Liz Martin and Margo Cannell**
11:30 AM Youth Group—*Naples Zoo*

Monday, April 15

6:30 AM FoF Preschool/Daycare Opens
9:00 AM Church Office/Faith Center Open
9:00 AM Realm Training - Room 7
1:00 PM Church Office Closes
1:00 PM Church Growth Mtg- Admin CFR
4:00 PM Faith Center Closes
4:00 PM Personnel Meeting - Room 7
6:00 PM FoF Daycare/Preschool Closes
6:30 PM Session - Alcove

Tuesday, April 16

6:30 AM FoF Preschool/Daycare Opens
9:00 AM Church Office/Faith Center Open
9:30 AM Women's Bible Study-Room 8
1:00 PM Church Office Closes
4:00 PM Faith Center Closes
5:30 PM PNC - Room 7
6:00 PM FoF Daycare/Preschool Closes

Wednesday, April 17

6:30 AM FoF Preschool/Daycare Opens
9:00 AM Church Office/Faith Center Open
9:30 AM Men's Bible Study—Westminster
11:30 AM Bridge —Narthex
12:30 PM Staff Meeting—Room 7
1:00 PM Church Office Closes
4:00 PM Faith Center Closes
4:30 PM Ukulele Practice - Alcove
5:30 PM Bell Choir Practice—Sanctuary
6:00 PM FoF Daycare/Preschool Closes
6:30 PM Choir Practice—Sanctuary

Thursday, April 18

6:30 AM FoF Preschool/Daycare Opens
9:00 AM Church Office/Faith Center Open
11:30 AM Bridge —Narthex
11:30 AM AA Meeting—Community Room
1:00 PM Church Office Closes
3:00 PM Faith Center Closes
6:00 PM FoF Daycare/Preschool Closes

Friday, April 19

6:30 AM FoF Preschool/Daycare Opens
**7:00 AM We Care Food Pantry— Every
Friday 7:00 - 9:00 am**
9:00 AM Church Office/Faith Center Open
11:30 AM AA Meeting—Community Room
1:00 PM Church Office Closes
2:00 PM Faith Center Closes
6:00 PM FoF Daycare/Preschool Closes

Saturday, April 20

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

Sunday, April 21 / 4th Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Wired Word—*Room 7*
9:30 AM Confirmation Class—*Room 8*
10:00 AM Choir Warm-up—*Music Suite*
10:30 AM Worship—*Sanctuary*
11:30 AM Coffee Hour—Fellowship Hall
**hosted by Polly Hampton and the
Christian Education Committee**
11:30 AM Youth Group - Bites, Baskets and
Bingo walkthrough / Gaga Ball



YOUTH GROUP

Joe Turk has upcoming plans which include

- **April 14** - Trip to the Naples Zoo
- **April 21** - Bingo, Bites & Baskets (B3) *walkthrough* and Gaga ball
- **April 24** - Bingo, Bites & Baskets Youth Fundraiser
- **April 28** - Ft. Myers Beach Clean-up

If you have any special ideas for the Youth Group to enjoy their own fellowship, or if you have any questions, please feel free to see or reach out to Joe Turk at joeturk34@gmail.com

HELP WANTED

"**HELP WANTED and your assistance needed, no experience necessary!** Help build the next generation of the church: children/youth Sunday School. Once a month/quarter, once or twice a year. Pick up forms at the Narthex Desk or **contact Vince: 239.478.7137, vincegonzalezsr@gmail.com**. He may even sing you a song!."

*No one knows the mind of God,
nor why He chooses to work the way He does.*

*But in our most difficult circumstances,
we will miss the peace of His presence
unless we persevere in trusting that
He is always faithful and always good.*

“No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is God’s will for you who belongs to Christ Jesus.”

1 THESSALONIANS 5:18



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