

Offertory

***Doxology**

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (debt/debtor)

Scripture: Genesis 18:1-18

Sermon “The Way of Hospitality”

Hymn** “Bread for the Journey” ***Insert—Verse 1

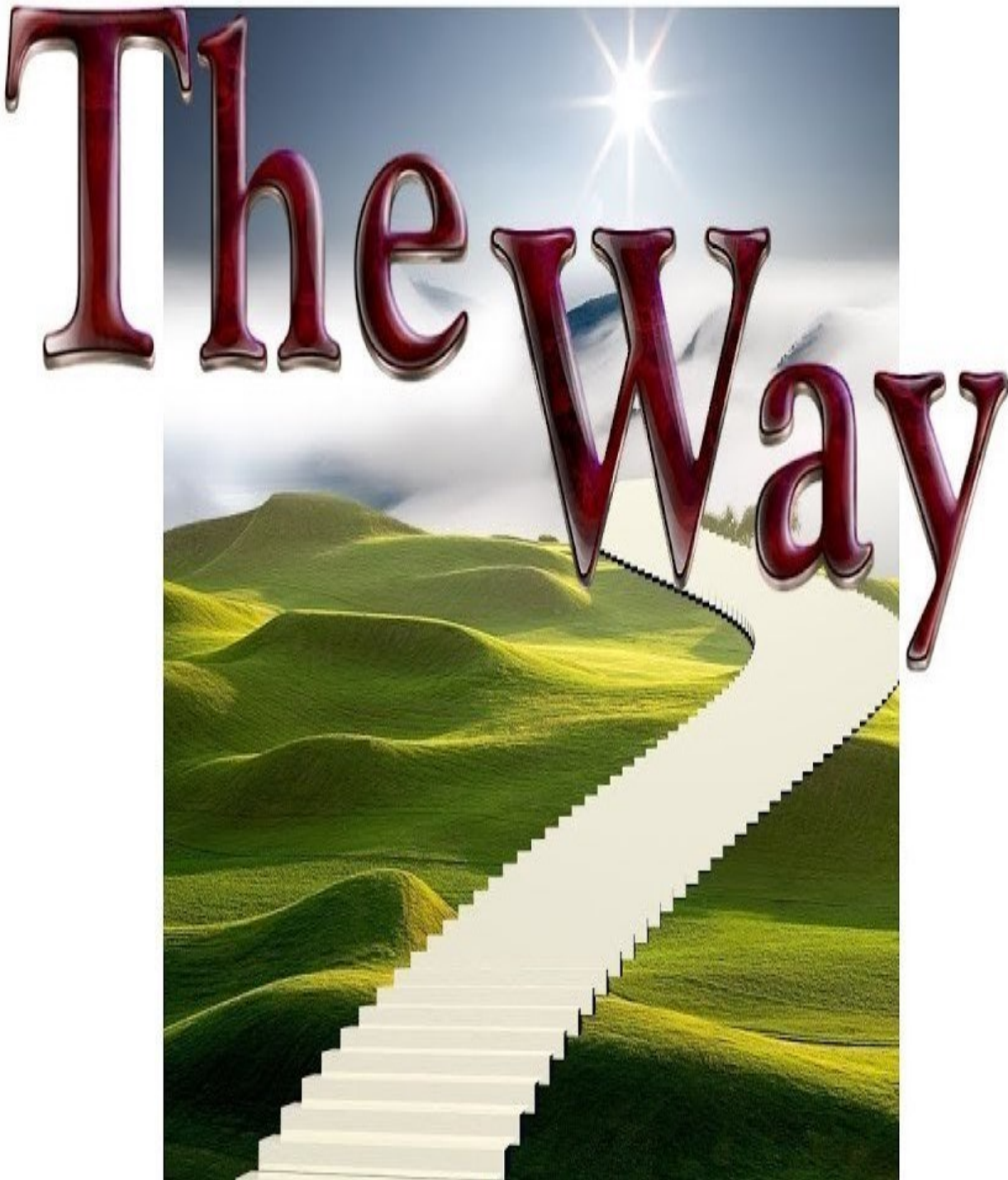
Communion of God’s People

Trusting in God, let us go from this place.
Taught all we need, we will bring hope and peace to others.
Trusting in Jesus, let us go into the world.
Given all we need, we will go to serve those around us.
Trusting in the Spirit, we will not be tempted to stay, so let us go.
Baptized in hope, we will go to welcome others as God’s Beloved.

Postlude
Benediction

Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Broschart	Minister of Word and Sacrament
Ashley Stanley-Robey	Interim Music Director
Eddie Blount	Sound
Nancy Clayton	Liturgist
Kathy Dolianitis	Time for Young Disciples
C. B. Strange	Security, side door & offering
Kim Meadows	Greeter
Karan Johnson & Ava Barrett	Sunday School
Ray Beale & Kim Meadows	Communion



First Presbyterian Church

April 3, 2022

As the chimes ring in the worship hour, we invite you to enter a time of personal reflection and congregational worship.

***Please stand as you are able.**

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Invocation: Welcoming God, we gather physically and digitally in your name. We pray to you. We seek you. We wonder who you are. We listen to your teachings — the easy ones. The hard ones. The easy ones that are actually hard — like loving one another — and we seek a way to live our lives that is good, wholesome, and has abundant life. We come into your house — your spiritual house — and accept your hospitality. Open our ears, our eyes, and our hearts. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Call to Worship

God rejoices at our presence here today

and welcomes us home with a celebration.

We come from different places bringing different needs

and God's love accepts and provides for us all.

God, help us extend your extravagant welcome

and share the gift of true Christian hospitality.

*Hymn

"All Are Welcome"

GTG #301

Call to Reconciliation

Even now, God makes a way for us to be made whole. God wants to bring us out of despair and to fill our hearts with laughter. Please join me as we pray to the One who forgets our past to offer us a new future,

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of hospitality, you have welcomed all of us into your house with mercy and love. But we confess that we have been reluctant to show the same welcome to the people around us. We have chosen to love only those whom we admire, who are like us. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us to love everyone without concern for their past or what it might cost us. In Jesus' name, amen.

Silence is kept

Assurance of Pardon

But now, listen to the Lord who created you. People of God, the one who formed you says, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters. I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior."

Thanks be to God, who has rescued us from all our sins, and invites us into new life with him.

*Passing the Peace of Christ—

Please stand, pass the peace with cupped hands and remain standing for the hymn.

*Praise and Worship

"Gloria Patri"

A Time for Young Disciples

Kathy Dolianitis

Offering Prayer

Our God, Creator and Sustainer of all life

instructs us to give generously and cheerfully.

We come, giving the funds, time, and gifts God has given us

cheerfully and without hesitation or pressure,

Trusting that in our upside-down life of the Gospel,

our wealth is measured not by what we have but what we give away.

We give joyfully as an act of our faith trusting you great God,

to bless your church, your people, and your creation through our giving.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

May the Lord of Lent be with you.

And also with you.

People of God, lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the One who calls us 'Beloved.'

Beloved of God, give thanks and praise to the One who loves you forever.

We sing our hymns of joy to the One who leads us into the kingdom.

Therefore, we lift our voices with the faithful of every time and place, and the choirs of the kingdom, who forever sing of your goodness and love:

Holy, holy, holy are you, God our Teacher.

All creation trusts in you.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who leads us in truth.

Hosanna in the highest!

...We remember the life, the death, the resurrection of the One we follow.

Jesus was baptized, the Spirit resting on him;

Jesus died, resisting the temptation to reject God;

Jesus was raised, fulfilling the time to defeat death;

Jesus will come, to fulfill God's time for all of us.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE:

Today we are resuming a modified intinction distribution. You should come down the center aisle (maintaining space between participants), receive and partake of the elements, and return to your seat by the side aisles. You may dispose of your cup in the baskets located near the side aisle.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION:

"Look Who Gathers At Christ's Table"

GTG#506

Announcements

Our Lenten meal will be Wednesday April 6th at 6:00 p.m., please use the bulletin insert to sign up or call the church office. Team 2 will be in charge.

This week our meal will be baked spaghetti, garlic bread, salad
and a tasty dessert.

Property Committee will meet Tuesday April 5th at 7:00 p.m.

Day Circle will meet Monday April 4th at 12:30 p.m. at the church.

Evening Circle will meet Monday April 11th at 7:00 p.m.
at the home of Bernadine Hayes.

Session will meet Tuesday April 12th at 7:00 p.m.

It's that time of year for our FPC Scholarships.

If you are graduating high school or reapplying to college,
please stop by the office and get your scholarship application.

We will be accepting applications through April 30th.

We welcome you to First Presbyterian Church.

Our office hours are Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

We can be found on the web at www.fpcdanville.com or on Facebook.

Please call us at 434-792-7822