First Presbyterian Church of Dryden

Established 1808

Sunday, April 23, 2023



We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, and love our neighbors as ourselves.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Our Lord Jehovah Reigns"

by Ethel Tench Rogers

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GATHERING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Call: Why are you here? What are you looking for?

Response: I hope to see a light even though I fear that I am blind.

Call: Why are you here? What are you searching for?

Response: I hope to feel a presence even though I fear that I am alone.

Call: Why are you here? What are you seeking?

Response: I hope to find the One even though I fear that I will not know him.

Call: Listen, Beloved, to the voice in the wilderness,

"Look! Here is the Lamb of God! Come and see."

Response: We are here to receive God's message.

Open our eyes that we might see.

SONG OF PRAISE "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" by Rick Founds

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WELCOME FRIENDS AT HOME

TALKING WITH THE YOUTH Trust in the Lord

ANTHEM MUSIC "For the Beauty of the Earth"

by John Rutter & F. S. Pierpoint

MOMENT OF SILENCE

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:13-35, Psalm 126:1-3 NRSV

MESSAGE On the Road of Doubt and Worry

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in an Easter God, who transforms darkness into light, hatred into tolerance and despair into hope.

We believe God is always working for good, changing every Good Friday nightmare into an Easter dream of new possibility.

We believe in the risen Christ, who befriends us on our roads of doubt and worry; who touches us through song and silence, word and gesture; who calls us by name to enter the dance of life.

We believe in the Spirit, the hidden presence behind every resurrection, who beckons us to leave tomblike safety and trust the gracious invitation to live joyfully.

We believe the Spirit is always renewing the church and making us a people who practice kindness, encourage beauty and work for justice and freedom.

We believe we are an Easter people, a sign that with God all things are possible.

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Invitation to the Table

HYMN OF PREPARATION "There is a Redeemer" #206, vs. 1, 2

SHARING THE BREAD

SHARING THE CUP

GIVING OUR GIFTS

GLORIA PATRI

EXALTATION PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN TO SEND OUT THE LIGHT

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee" #380, vs. 1, 2

BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION "God Be with You Till We Meet Again,"

v. 1

by Jeremiah Rankin & William Tomer

POSTLUDE "Trusting Jesus" by Ethel Tench Rogers

Credits

Gathering Prayer from Vanderbilt University Reformed Common Lectionary. Prayers of the People and Affirmation of Faith from Homiletics Online. Prayer for Illumination and Exaltation Prayer from The Book of Common Worship, PCUSA. All other liturgy by Nancy Didway.

Welcome to our Church Today!

Thank you for worshiping with us. If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the pew rack. You can place the card in the offering plate. Let us know if we can assist you.

Sun. Apr. 23	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Choir Practice Sunday School Worship with Communion Choir Practice
Mon. Apr. 24	11:00 a.m.	Kitchen Cupboard
Tues. Apr. 25	10:00 a.m.	Quilters
Wed. Apr. 26	5:00 p.m.	Kitchen Cupboard
Fri. Apr/ 28	11:00 a.m.	Kitchen Cupboard
Sat. Apr. 29	11:00 a.m.	Kitchen Cupboard
Sun. Apr. 30	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Choir Practice Sunday School Worship – Jim Hicks Guest Preacher
	11:30 a.m.	Choir Practice

Spring Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 6th at 8:30am.

Please bring rakes, tarps etc. for outside work and cleaning supplies for washing windows etc. A sign-up sheet will be in the Fellowship Hall.

Coffee and goodies will be provided.

For Prayer

Dave Gross, Bob Watros, Patsy Thornton, Brad Perkins Tim Grossman & Joyce Kalk (Fran's sister and nephew)

WEB Snack for April: Canned chicken
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Sunday Servants

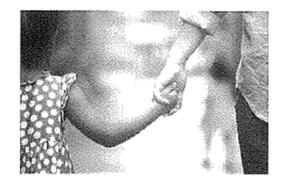
Ushering:MJ and Chuck UttechAV System:Tim & Dave ParsonsMusic Director:Scott MillerOrganistMichael SingbuschPreacher:Nancy DidwayFlowers:MJ and Chuck Uttech

All for the glory of God.

CHILD SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Tompkins County Sheriff's Office in cooperation with Tompkins County Schools will be providing child safety education materials for children. The Sheriff's Office is confident that we all can help families understand how to remain safer through education. They are asking us to help provide materials for child safety as well as violence prevention and drug awareness. Materials can be provided at \$3.50 per child. Let's set a goal of 50 children with the donation of \$175.00.

Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church of Dryden, noting National Child Safety Council.



Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

Lord, I love to sing Your praises.

I'm so glad You're in my life.

I'm so glad You came to save us.

Chorus:

You came from heaven to earth

To show the way,

From the earth to the cross

My debt to pay,

From the cross to the grave,

From the grave to the sky.

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

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There Is a Redeemer

Verse 1:

There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son;

Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,

Holy One.

Refrain:

Thank You, Oh, my Father,

For giving us Your Son,

And leaving Your Spirit 'til

The work on earth is done.

Verse 2:

Jesus, my Redeemer,

Name above all names;

Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,

O for sinners slain.

Refrain

Text: Melody Green

Music: Green, Melody Green

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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.

Text: Gloria Patri; Traditional, 2nd century

Music: Meineke, Christoph Meineke

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Verse 1:

I am weak but Thou art strong;
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee.

Refrain:

Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily, walking close to Thee, Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Verse 2:

Thro' this world of toil and snares,

If I falter, Lord, who cares?

Who with me my burden shares?

None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

Refrain

Text and Music: Closer Walk, Traditional Folk song