

St. Mark Presbyterian Church

Worship Service 9:45 a.m.

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**Third Sunday of Easter
Communion Sunday
May 4, 2025**



Pastor
Director of Music/Organist
Clerk of Session

Rev. Dr. Paul M. Burns
Mr. Gary O'Neal
Ms. Diane Llywelyn

We exist to know Jesus and make Him known.

- * **Hymn** "Blessing and Honor" No. 369
- * **Eastertide Prayer** Liturgist
- * **Gloria Patri** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me" No. 582

Time with Young Disciples

Call to Confession Pastor

Prayer of Confession (Unison) Pastor and Congregation
Heavenly Father, Your word says there's no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus, but we often live like we're stuck in sin and fear. We've focused too much on worldly things and forgotten Your peace. We've doubted Your love for us as Your children. We have forgotten to take care of your sheep. Forgive us for following our desires instead of Your Spirit. Cleanse us and renew our minds as we embrace new life in Jesus. Give us the strength to live in the freedom and victory Christ has given us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

(In silence, confess your personal sins to God.)

Kyrie Eleison "Lord, Have Mercy" No. 551

Assurance of Forgiveness (Responsive) Pastor and Congregation
 Friends, believe the Good News! Through Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.
Thanks be to our God now and forever!

Lessons from Scripture

Prayer for Illumination Liturgist

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- * **Invitation to Stand**

First Reading: John 21:1-19 (p. 907 Pew Bible) Liturgist

Response: This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Second Reading: Acts 9:1-6 (p. 917 Pew Bible) Pastor

Response: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon "Called to Action: Feed My Sheep" Rev. Dr. Paul Burns

Anthem "Feed Me, Lord" Sanctuary Choir
(arr. Patrick Llebergen)

* **Affirmation of Faith** (Unison) Pastor and Congregation
– Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* **Invitation to Stand**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Hymn

“Come to the Table of Grace”

No. 507

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord’s Prayer (Unison)

Pastor and Congregation

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread and Communion of the People

All who wish to receive communion are invited to come forward by way of the center aisle. If you are unable to come forward, communion will be served where you are seated. You may select the prepackaged communion elements or partake by intinction – to dip a portion of the bread in the cup. Safety precautions were observed when preparing all communion elements.

Prayer After Communion

* **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

Doxology No. 606

A public offering to God is one of the oldest forms of worship. Although we give in varied ways through the week, our participation in the Sunday Offering is a witness to God and to the world of our love and commitment.

If you have not already done so, please place your offering in the offering plates located at the front and back of the Sanctuary as you exit the building.

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Pastor

* **Hymn**

“Jesus Calls Us”

No. 720

* **Charge and Benediction**

Pastor

* **Postlude**

Gary O’Neal, Organist



Assisting in worship today is Charlene Taylor, Liturgist.

The Usher is Diane Llywelyn.

Refreshments in the Parlor today are served by the Stewardship and Finance Committee.

* **Invitation to Stand**



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 4th

Sunday	11:00 pm – 12:00 pm 11:30 am	Church Food Pantry Yoga Wellness
Monday	6:00	Worship & Music Com. Mtg.
Tuesday	11:30 am – 1:00 pm 6:00	Church Food Pantry Fellowship Com. Mtg.
Wednesday	6:00 6:00 7:00	Way Out Wednesday Handbell Rehearsal Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	11:30 am – 1:00 pm 3:00 6:00	Church Food Pantry Open Gate Administration & Personnel Com. Mtg.
Friday	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Fitness Boot Camp Eastminster Presbyterian Church



SESSION MEMBERS Diane Llywelyn – Clerk

Class of 2025
Bill Grayson
Daniel Robinson
Leigh Taylor

Class of 2026
Diane Llywelyn
Bill Oney
Charlene Taylor

Class of 2027
Dorothy Moore
Ann O'Neal
Lorraine Stephen

The Weekly Devotional focuses on today's sermon and message. It includes a memory verse, three reflection questions, and a challenge for the upcoming week.

Please take the Weekly Devotional home with you and use it throughout the week.

Sermon:

“Called to Action: Feed My Sheep”

Scripture Readings: John 21:1-19
Acts 9:1-6

Memory Verse

“Do you love me?’ And he said to him, ‘Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my sheep.’”
(John 21:17)

Reflection Questions

- (1) How many fish did the disciples catch after Jesus told them to cast their nets?

- (2) In what ways have you been fed by the church in your life?

- (3) What are ways you feel called to feed others in or outside the church?

Challenge for the Week

Do at least one thing this next week that feeds another person in a material or spiritual way.

Prayer

Dear Jesus, I love you and I desire to feed your people. Lead me in taking care of people whom you love dearly. Amen.