

## Announcements

**Pulpit Supply.** This morning we have the privilege of welcoming Dr. Bob Cara to the pulpit. Dr. Cara is the Hugh and Sallie Reaves Professor of New Testament at Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte and is also an ordained minister in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.

**InterVarsity.** Last training of the year will be today, April 27th at 1:30 at Elon. We will need dessert and drinks and would love for people to attend the event with students. Bryan will be answering tough questions. Thank you for your help and support this semester!

**Bridal Shower.** There will be an “Old Fashioned pounding” bridal shower for John Snow and Kristin Allison on May 4 from 2:30-4:30 in the Fellowship Hall. The couple is also registered at Target. Please join us to celebrate the couple!

**Missions Sunday.** Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, Ali Mitchell one of our missionaries will be speaking about his work with Muslim students in South Carolina. Ali will be sharing during Sunday School and will bring the message at the morning worship service. There will be a **potluck lunch** following the service as well, where he will share more about his ministry.

**Potluck Lunch.** Please join us on May 18 in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck lunch after the morning worship service.

**Limon Mission Trip.** Ed, Lynn, and Kelly desire your prayer support. If you are able to give financially, you may get a form from the missions bulletin board, which has the information needed to send support on their behalf.

**Ladies. Save the Date:** July 27-28 there will be a women's gathering and concert at Bonclarken to kick off the Family Bible Conference. We would like to take a group of women. You may visit the website at <http://www.arpwm.org> to register and for more information. Please contact Jessie Richardson if you are interested in attending. Her new email is [richardson.jessica83@gmail.com](mailto:richardson.jessica83@gmail.com).

**Easter Denominational Offering.** If you would like to give to the Easter offering, there are brochures and envelopes at the entrances to the sanctuary. We will keep this open until May 20.

## Ministry Information

### Nursery

Today: Nicole Newton and Amy Sanderson  
Next Week: Nicole Newton and Doug Cobb

### Children's Church:

Today: Karen Jones and Lynn Limon  
Next Week: Stephen Robinson and Tammy Cobb

### Counter:

Today: Gene Parks  
Next Week: Mark Vestal

### Deacon on Duty

Today: Mark Vestal  
Next Week: Doug Glass

### Elder Greeter

Today: None Scheduled  
Next Week: None Scheduled

### Tithes and Offerings for April 20:

General Fund	\$2352.60
Easter Offering	\$ 707.00

## The Session

Moderator: Rev. Bryan Gregory  
Vice Moderator: Gene Parks  
Clerk: Jim Knox

2015: Jim Knox, Gene Parks  
2017: Bill Haynes

## The Diaconate

Chairman: Glenn Owens  
Vice Chairman: Mark Vestal  
Secretary: Doug Glass

2014: Glenn Owens, Mark Vestal  
2015: Doug Glass, WD Yarbrough  
2016: David Newton, Tim Bessette

## Congregational Officers

Trustees: Jim Knox, Steve Kyaw, Gene Parks  
Congregational Chairperson: Dot Hutelmyer  
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington  
Congregational Secretary: Jim Knox

## Women's Ministries

Women's Ministries Coordinator: Christy Gregory  
Morning Bible Study Leader: Lillian Fuller  
Evening Bible Study Leader: Dot Hutelmyer

## Church Staff

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## First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2014

## Preparation

### Silent Meditation

Prayer is an acknowledgment that our need of God's help is not partial but total.  
Alistair Begg

Prayer is keeping company with God.  
Clement of Rome (†99 A.D.)

The true spirit of prayer is no other than God's own Spirit dwelling in the hearts of the saints. And as this spirit comes from God, so doth it naturally tend to God in holy breathings and pantings. It naturally leads to God, to converse with him by prayer.  
Jonathan Edwards (†1758 A.D.)

### Prelude

*Ed Limon*

### Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

### Call to Worship—Psalm 95

*Minister* Come, let us bow down in worship,  
let us kneel to the Lord, our Maker.

*People* **For he is our God  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
the flock under his care.**

### Hymn of Preparation 4

How Great Thou Art

*How Great Thou Art*

## Adoration

### Invocation

### Hymn of Adoration 195

Nothing But the Blood

*Plainfield*

## Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

***Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.***

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon — 1 John 1:5, 7

*This is the message we have heard from God and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.*

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.*

## Proclamation

Missions Moment

Mark Sanderson

Old Testament Reading

*Psalms 113*

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!

Praise, O servants of the LORD,  
praise the name of the LORD!

<sup>2</sup> Blessed be the name of the LORD  
from this time forth and forevermore!

<sup>3</sup> From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
the name of the LORD is to be praised!

<sup>4</sup> The LORD is high above all nations,  
and his glory above the heavens!

<sup>5</sup> Who is like the LORD our God,  
who is seated on high,

<sup>6</sup> who looks far down  
on the heavens and the earth?

<sup>7</sup> He raises the poor from the dust  
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

<sup>8</sup> to make them sit with princes,  
with the princes of his people.

<sup>9</sup> He gives the barren woman a home,  
making her the joyous mother of children.

Praise the LORD!

*Minister* The Word of the Lord

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

Anthem

Beautiful Savior

*One Voice*

(Dismissal to Children's Church)

New Testament Reading

*1 Timothy 4:1-5*

<sup>1</sup> Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons, <sup>2</sup> through the insincerity of liars whose consciences are seared, <sup>3</sup> who forbid marriage and require abstinence from foods that God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth. <sup>4</sup> For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, <sup>5</sup> for it is made holy by the word of God and prayer.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Praying Before Meals

Dr. Bob Cara

## Dedication

Hymn of Response

428

I Need Thee Every Hour

*Need*

Affirmation of Faith — The Apostles' Creed

***I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy catholic Church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.***

Prayer of Intercession and Lord's Prayer

***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,  
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.***

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Julie Snow*

Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.*

Charge and Benediction

Postlude