

## Announcements

**Welcome.** We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. If you are a visitor, please feel free to pick up a blue informational folder outside the entrances to the sanctuary to learn more about our church. Also, please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place in the offering plate so we can have a record of your visit. Thank you.

**Easter Denominational Offering.** Each year at Easter time the ARP Church collects a special offering to support some of the ministries of our denomination. Please read the insert that highlights some of these ministries. Please use the special envelope provided. This offering will be collected today through April 19, 2015.

**Ladies Bible Study.** Several women of our church enjoyed the fellowship and lesson studied together at our first Bible study meeting. The next meeting will be the second Sunday of April, 4/12/15. Please bring your lunch and meet in the fellowship hall immediately after the closing of the 11:00 worship. Janice Richardson will lead our study. All women are welcome!

**Meals on Wheels.** Volunteers are needed for Monday, May 11 and Tuesday, May 12. Please contact Glenn or Margaret Owens if you are able to help on one or both days. Please also consider letting them know if you are willing to be put on a list for when volunteers are needed.

**Graduation Party.** You are invited to a graduation party in honor of Kathryn Richardson on May 16, 2015 at 5 PM in the church Fellowship Hall. RSVP by Monday April 20, 2015 to Janice Richardson 336-449-7057 or Email at [bestelect1@embarqmail.com](mailto:bestelect1@embarqmail.com).

### Upcoming Preaching Schedule:

Today - Dr. Bob Wilson  
Next Week: Dr. Bob Wilson

**Easter Monday.** The church office will be closed tomorrow, April 6, 2015.

## Ministry Information

### Nursery:

Today: Nicole Newton and Kristen Carter  
Next Week: Macon Baird and Fran Haynes

### Counter:

Today: Doug Glass  
Next Week: Gene Parks

### Deacon on Duty:

Today: Macon Baird  
Next Week: Doug Glass

### Elder Greeter:

Today: Gene Parks  
Next Week: Bennett Richardson

### Tithes and Offerings for March 29:

|              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| General Fund | \$4,281.70 |
| Floral       | \$ 39.00   |

## The Session

Vice Moderator: Gene Parks  
Clerk: Jim Knox

2015: Jim Knox, Gene Parks  
2017: Bill Haynes  
2018: Bennett Richardson, John Robinson, Jay Snow

## The Diaconate

Chairman: Doug Glass  
V-Chairman/Secretary: David Newton

2015: Doug Glass  
2016: David Newton  
2017 : Macon Baird, Stephen Robinson

## Congregational Officers

Trustees: Gene Parks (2015), Ferald Mann (2016),  
Steve Kyaw (2017), Jim Knox (2018)  
Congregational Chairperson: Dot Hutelmyer  
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington  
Congregational Secretary: Jim Knox

## Women's Ministries

Women's Ministries Coordinator: Jessica Richardson

## Church Staff

### Pastor:

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## First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

Easter Sunday

April 5, 2015

## Preparation

Silent Meditation - John 20:19-31

So when it was evening on that day, the first *day* of the week, and when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and \*said to them, "Peace *be* with you." And when He had said this, He showed them both His hands and His side. The disciples then rejoiced when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace *be* with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them and \*said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, *their sins* have been forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they have been retained." But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples were saying to him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." After eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus \*came, the doors having been shut, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace *be* with you." Then He \*said to Thomas, "Reach here with your finger, and see My hands; and reach here your hand and put it into My side; and do not be unbelieving, but believing." Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus \*said to him, "Because you have seen Me, have you believed? Blessed *are* they who did not see, and *yet* believed." Therefore many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

Prelude

Hallelujah Chorus

*One Voice*

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Call to Worship - Psalm 105:1-7

Oh give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name;  
Make known His deeds among the peoples.  
Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;  
Speak of all His wonders.

**Glory in His holy name;  
Let the heart of those who seek the Lord be glad.  
Seek the Lord and His strength;  
Seek His face continually.**

Remember His wonders which He has done,  
His marvels and the judgments uttered by His mouth,  
O seed of Abraham, His servant,  
O sons of Jacob, His chosen ones!

**He is the Lord our God;  
His judgments are in all the earth.**

\* Hymn of Preparation  
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Christ the Lord is Risen Today

*Easter Hymn*

## Adoration

\* Invocation

**\* Congregation Standing**

## Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession - I John 1:6-8

***If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us.***

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon - I John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

\* 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

New Testament Reading

- John 20:19-31

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*Minister* The Word of the Lord  
*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

Sermon Evening, and Eight Days Later Dr. Bob Wilson

Prayer for Illumination

## Cantata

***Worthy is the Lamb***

*Created by: Sue C. Smith and Mason Brown*

Song #1 Glorious, Glorious (Choir)  
*by Joel Lindsey & Jeff Bumgardner*

*Narrator: Macon Baird*

Song #2 Hail Jesus Medley (Choir)  
Victory Chant & Because We Believe  
*Arranged by Russell Maudlin*

Song #3 In Christ Alone (Choir)  
*by Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend*  
*Arranged by Bradley Knight*

Song #4 Jesus Paid it all (Choir and Congregation)  
*by Elvina M. Hall and John T. Grape*  
*Arranged by Travis Cottrell and David Moffit*

Song #5 Agnus Dei with "Worthy is the Lamb (Duet - Dot Hutelmeyer & Julie Snow)  
*by Michael W. Smith*  
*Arranged by Richard Kingsmore*

Song #6 That's Why We Praise Him" with "Alleluia, Alleluia (Choir)  
*by Tommy Walker*  
*Arranged by Russell Maudlin*

*Director's Note: I always give thanks to God for the "Faithful" members in giving of their time and talent in constantly praising our Savior and King week in and week out. A heartfelt thanks goes out to David Newton with the sound and for Kay Moore for making the Power Point on the computer. May we continually praise our Lord with all our heart, soul and mind.*

*In Him and musically yours, ED LIMON*

## Dedication

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

*Words of Institution*

*Prayer of Consecration*

*Distribution of the Elements*

Affirmation of Faith — 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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, 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

*Ed Limon*

\* 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.***

Closing Prayer

Postlude