

Announcements

Welcome. We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. 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.

A Word About Our Worship Service. Hymn of Praise: The Doxology is simply a “hymn of praise”. In the hymn, we acknowledge the greatness of the triune God and His gracious provision of all things for us. We sing this after we offer God the first fruits of our labors, our financial tithes and offerings.

Sunday Nights @ First. Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God’s Word - Psalm 38.

Easter Lilies. If you would like to make a contribution for an Easter Lily for the sanctuary this year in honor or memory of someone, please fill out the form and place in the envelope provided along with \$12 per plant, and place in the offering by next Sunday, April 9. Checks may be made payable to First ARP Church. You may take your plant home on Easter Sunday after the morning service.

Ladies Bible Study continues on Wednesday mornings at 11 AM.

Men’s Lunch will next meet on Monday, April 3 at Noon at Southbound Sandwich Works and the next **Men’s Evening Gathering** will be April 17 at 7 PM at Panera Bread. Both groups will be discussing chapter 2 of *18 Words*.

Women’s Evening Book Study. Join us on April 4, 7 PM in the Hospitality Room as we continue our study of Melissa Krueger’s *Envy of Eve*. We will begin with a study/discussion of Chapter 2. This study is for ladies of all ages and will be taught by Pastor Crotts. Please let him know if you need a copy of the book.

Holy Week. A rehearsal for the Holy Week Service for Palm Sunday (4/9) Evening will be held on Wednesday, April 5 at 6:30 PM. A light meal will be served at 6 PM for participants in the Fellowship Hall.

Holy Week Service. Please make plans to join us for our Holy Week Service Sunday night, April 9, 6 PM in the Sanctuary.

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: Kathy Isley and Laurie Isley
Next Week: John Robinson and Jondeen Terry

Counter: Today: John Robinson
Next Week: Jay Snow

Deacon on Duty: Today: Stephen Robinson
Next Week: Glenn Owens

Last Week’s Tithes and Offerings:

General Fund: \$3940.74
Memorial: Harry Rippey, brother of Elizabeth Barber
by Ladies Sunday School Class

The Session

Moderator: Rev. Bryan Crotts
Vice Moderator: Jay Snow
Clerk: John Robinson

2017: Bill Haynes
2018: John Robinson
Jay Snow
2019: Ferald Mann

Elders Emeritus:
Jim Knox
Gene Parks

The Diaconate

Chairman: Glenn Owens, 2018
Vice Chairman: Larry Isley, 2019
Secretary: Stephen Robinson, 2017

Congregational Officers

Trustees: Steve Kyaw, Jim Knox, Gene Parks, Ferald Mann
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington
Congregational Secretary: John Robinson
Congregational Chairman: James Constable

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"And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.”
Philippians 1:9-11

**The Lord’s Day
April 2, 2017**

Order of Worship

11:00 AM

Greeting of the Saints *The Congregation & Visitors*

Prelude Julie Snow

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary for Silent Prayer

Votum Psalm 124:8

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Salutation Revelation 1:4-5

Call to Worship* Psalm 95

Hymn of Adoration*
#276 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith The Nicene Creed

Minister: Congregation of our Lord Jesus Christ, what do you believe?

People: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Song of Praise*

#72

We Will Glorify

Corporate Confession of Sin

O gracious and heavenly Father, we openly admit that you know us thoroughly. Our deepest secrets are open before you. You know our thoughts before they are conceived in our minds. We cannot hide from you. Therefore we ask that you discover unto us our sins so that we may humble ourselves again in your presence and seek your forgiveness and grace. We admit we have tolerated sinful thoughts about power, lust, greed, jealousy, malice and other things that grieve your heart. We have committed sins of omission and commission. But we seek your mercy and cleansing from our sins by the blood of Christ. And we thank you for your Spirit who enables us to walk in holiness and obedience. Give us the grace to please you this day and forever. In Christ's Name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Psalm 51:16-17

For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it: you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Hymn of Redemption*

#363

More Love to Thee

Reading of the Old Testament Psalm 137

Pastoral Prayer 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.

Hymn of Praise

#625

Doxology

The Lord's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory/Anthem Adult Choir

Think of Me

Reading of the New Testament Philippians 1:9-11

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Word

Pastor Bryan Crotts

The Philippian Option

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Hymn of Commitment

#440

O for a Heart to Praise My God

Benediction*

Postlude Ed Limon

The **Lord's Supper** will be administered today as part of our morning worship service. The Lord's Supper is for those who have been baptized in the Name of the Triune God, have publicly professed their faith in Christ, and are members of an evangelical church. Children who have not yet made a profession of faith and united with the church should refrain from taking the elements.

Sermon Notes

* Please stand if you are able