Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

*Opening Hymn

Glory to God Hymnal #232

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

*Call to Worship

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. People: And also with you. Leader: This is the day on which the Lord has acted: let us rejoice in it. People: We shall not die, but live to proclaim the works of the Lord.

Gathering Prayer

Word

A Time for Children Dr. Yvan Kelly (Children will go to Sunday School)

Mark 16:1-8 **New Testament Reading**

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Reader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Don Kent

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Worship Leader

Message

"Fill in the Blank"

Easter Cantata

"Risen"

Prayers and Offering

Prayers of the People/The 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; 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.

Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Song

*Doxology

***Prayer of Dedication**

People: God of the empty tomb, your grace astounds us, your generosity fills us to overflowing. Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless our work on Christ's behalf. May we love as Christ loved. May we serve as Christ served. Call us into the world, guided by Christ's spirit. Amen.

Sending

*Closing Hymn

Glory to God Hymnal #611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Charge and Blessing

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

One Great Hour of Sharing March 31 - For 75 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has partnered with others to take action to share God's love. It has helped our neighbors in need around the world. To support this offering, special envelopes can be found in the friendship pads for you to use.

Dinner and Comedy Night April 6 - This Saturday, April 6, at 6:00 p.m., join us for dinner and a comedy show featuring comedian De'Andre Stringer. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and must be purchased in advance and today is the last day to purchase tickets.

Bunko April 13 - The next Bunko night will be Saturday, April 13, at 6:00 p.m. No experience is needed and it is fun for all ages. The entrance fee is \$10 per person and includes dessert. All proceeds go to the church's building and grounds fund.

Session Meeting April 14 - The next Session meeting will be held on Sunday, April 14, following worship.

Shred Event April 27 - Thrivent is hosting a shred event on Saturday, April 27, from 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at 4887 Belfort Road, Ste. 109, Jacksonville. You must RSVP to reserve a shred time by emailing Jennifer Johnson at jennifer.johnson@thrivent.com or by calling her at 904.559.8171. A fee of food pantry items for LSS will be accepted.

Financial Giving - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed <u>here</u> or by scanning the QR code to the right.



Lilies this morning are given in honor/memory of by:

Memory of Irene Starr	Ed & Annette Starr
Memory of Frances Richmond	Debra Melvin
Memory of John & Jean Wilke	Lynne, Wayne, & Kylie Barnes
Memory of Family & Friends	
who have gone to be with Jesus	Lois & Dennis Morse
Honor of our Military	Bernie & Jean Dietzen

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