



## Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 19, 2026

3rd Sunday after Easter

### Gathering

**Welcome and Ministry Announcements** Dr. Yvan Kelly

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

**\*Opening Hymn** “Chain Breaker”

**\*Call to Worship** (from Psalm 116) Worship Leader

Leader: I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.

**People: I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,**

Leader: in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

**All: Praise the Lord!**

**A Time for Children** Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

**Gathering Prayer** Leah Hadrava

**Call to Confession** Dr. Yvan Kelly

**Prayer of Confession** Dr. Yvan Kelly

**People: Merciful God, even as we proclaim the saving life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we fail to see the living Christ in our midst. We find ourselves preoccupied with our own well-being and success, forgetting your teaching to love our neighbor as ourselves. We justify our actions instead of examining our intentions. Show us again how to live a resurrection faith that sees life and hope in the midst of death and destruction. Transform our hearts so that they may once again be filled with love and moved to actions of grace and mercy. In your holy name, we pray.**

Leader: Please continue in silent confession....Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon** Dr. Yvan Kelly

Leader: In the book of Acts, Peter says: “For the promise is for you, for your children,

**People: and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.”**

Leader: Receive the good news, Children of God, you are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*please stand

## Word

### Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 36:5-10

Leah Hadrava

Your steadfast love, O Lord,  
extends to the heavens,  
your faithfulness to the clouds.  
Your righteousness is like  
the mighty mountains,  
your judgments are like  
the great deep;  
you save humans and  
animals alike, O Lord.  
How precious is your  
steadfast love, O God!  
All people may take refuge  
in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance  
of your house,  
and you give them drink from  
the river of your delights.  
For with you is the fountain of life;  
in your light we see light.  
O continue your steadfast love  
to those who know you,  
and your salvation to the upright  
of heart!

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

### New Testament Lesson

John 2:1-11

Yvan Kelly

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, ‘They have no wine.’ And Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.’ His mother said to the servants, ‘Do whatever he tells you.’ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, ‘Fill the jars with water.’ And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, ‘Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.’ So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, ‘Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.’ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

### Message

“Before You’re Ready”

Yvan Kelly

### \*Middle Hymn

Glory to God Hymnal #726 v. 1, 2, 3, & 4

“Will You Come and Follow Me (*The Summons*)”

**\*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.**

**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**

**"The Commission"  
Sung by Chevy Brodersen**

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**People: Lord, we know that every good and perfect gift comes from you. We pray that the gifts of time, talent, and treasure we have offered today will work for the good of the world, so that your love will be known. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**Sending**

**\*Closing Hymn**

**"Above All"**

**Charge and Blessing**

**Dr. Yvan Kelly**

## Announcements

**Sunday morning Sign-in Procedure** - Use the QR code to the right or the one on the corner of the black pew folder to sign in. When you scan the QR code with your smartphone, you will be taken to the church's website, where you can sign in on Sunday mornings, give online, and more. We will discontinue the paper pad soon and use the QR code only. Talk to Michael Eicholtz if you are having trouble.



**Presbyterian Women's Yard Sale April 25** - The Presbyterian Women's Yard Sale is this Saturday, April 25, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to sort items and to work on the day of the event. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are in the narthex. You can drop off your items on Thursday and Friday evening (April 23 and 24), and sorting will take place then as well.

**Bunko May 9** - The next Bunko night is scheduled for Saturday, May 9, at 6:00 p.m. No experience is required, and it's fun for all ages. A \$10.00 donation is asked from each person and includes dessert.

**Broken to Beautiful Support Group Meeting May 14** - The Broken to Beautiful Support Group will meet on Thursday, May 14, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**OneBlood Blood Drive May 17** - On Sunday, May 17, the Big Red Bus will be in the parking lot for a blood drive from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. To register in advance, please visit <https://www.oneblood.org/donate-now> and use sponsor code 31712. Each donor will receive a \$20 e-gift card, a sunshade, and a wellness check.

**Session Meeting May 17** - The Session will meet after worship on Sunday, May 17.

**Potluck Luncheon May 17** - After worship on Sunday, May 17, there will be a potluck luncheon. Please bring a dish to share if you plan on attending.

**Financial Giving** - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, mail it, or use our online giving portal, which can be accessed [here](#) or by scanning the QR code at the top of this page.

### **March 2026 Pledges**

Actual Received \$10,534.25  
Amount Pledged \$ 7,425.83  
Difference +\$ 3,108.42

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