# 6th Sunday of Eastertide

May 5, 2024, 11:00 A.M.

# THE CHURCH GATHERS

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR** 

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING THE PEACE, PRELUDE

## **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Paraphrase of Matthew 16:13-16

Leader: When Jesus joined them, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the

Son of Man is?"

Women: Some say John the Baptist;

Men: Others say Elijah;

Youth: Some say Jeremiah or one of the prophets.

Leader: "But what about you?" Jesus asked. "Who do you say I am?"

All: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

Leader: Let us worship our Risen and Living Savior!

\*VIDEO HYMN (Sing Along)

Who You Say I Am

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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Dear Jesus, you are who you said you are. You are loving and perfect and forgiving. Like the Disciples, we have denied knowing you, run away from you, and fallen short of your glory. Please forgive us and help us to seek first your Kingdom and follow you. Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**Isaiah 45:22** 

Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other. Beloved, we are God's children now. Hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and set free from the power of sin and death. Amen.

\*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.

#### A WORD FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

Alive

THE MORNING PRAYERS: Hymn #403 (Spoken) What a Friend We Have in Jesus

# WE GIVE THANK OFFERINGS TO GOD

# GIVING GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY - Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

**OLD TESTAM ENT READING:** 

Proverbs 22:6

**NEW TESTAMENT READING:** 

Luke 2:41-52

THE SERMON:

Dr. William D. Coker

"When Jesus Was A Tweenager"

# WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

\*COMMUNION HYMN #333 (Blue)

Seek Ye First

#### THE WORDS OF INVITATION

The Lord's Supper was instituted by Christ as a celebration of remembrance and spiritual renewal. Every time we share the bread and the cup, we are to remember the gift of salvation that has come to us through Jesus' atoning death and resurrection. All are invited to participate in a spirit of repentance and confession. Even Baptized children may participate, provided parents explain the meaning following Worship. Please hold the elements, that we may all partake together as the Body of Christ.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND PREPARATION

#### SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING -THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jackie Evancho

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.

## **WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

\*THE FIRST CREED

**Leader:** Jesus is Lord!

People: Jesus is Lord, indeed!

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Amen.

\*HYMN #525 (Blue)

Here I Am, Lord

#### \*BENEDICTION

As you leave this place, remember who you are, who Jesus is, and to whom you belong. Know that you are loved. Use your voice and your feet for good. Believe that you, yes even you, can make a difference for Christ. And when you come back week after week, always be prepared for a revelation from Jesus. Amen.

\*POSTLUDE - (\*) We stand as we are able.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- 1. 8 Most Significant Words: "Who will you invite to church next Sunday?"
- 2. #1 Reason to Be at First Pres: Because we know why we're here to share the Real Jesus.
- 3. We're on a mission for God. Plan to join by Profession of Faith in Christ, Reaffirmation of Faith, or Transfer of Letter and help us make a difference for Christ in Tifton.
- 4. Copies of the May calendar have been placed on the table in the back of the church.
- 5. We are adding bricks to our commemorative walkway. The cost of the bricks is \$45 each. They can be purchased in memory or in honor of someone. Please fill out one of the forms and place it in the offering plate (with payment) or it can be given to Allen Boyd. Forms can also be mailed to the church at PO Box 304. Tifton, GA 31793-0304
- 6. Our next fellowship luncheon will be on May 19th. We will be honoring Abigail and Emily Henderson who are graduating from TCHS and UGA. We will also honor Quinn Bowyer who graduated from TCHS last year (it was somehow overlooked).
- 7. Spread the word that our worship services are on "Facebook Live" and "Instagram" every Sunday.
- 8. Invite, Invite, Invite. Your invitation may change a life for Christ. We are creating a "Culture of Invitation" here at First Pres through the following "Commitments for Christ", which are easy ways for you to invite others:
  - #3 Heartwarming worship stories.
  - #7 Service jobs and ways to make a difference in the Church. #10 – The movie "Jesus Revolution." (May  $19^{th}$  after the luncheon) #12 – A new Chancel Choir.

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.

1 Timothy 4:12



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