

*The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin*  
*The Second Sunday of Easter and The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*  
*April 11, 2010*  
*10:30 a.m.*

*Enter the church in silence. Through silence speak to God and let God speak to you.*

**PREPARATION:** *The following are the scriptures for this morning: Psalm 118:14-29 (Pew Bible pages 492-493); Acts 5:27-32 (page 889) Peter and the apostles are reproached by the high priest for teaching in Jesus' name. Revelation 1:4-8 (pages 994-995) God is the Alpha and the Omega John 20:19-31 (page 883) Jesus appears before the disciples; appears again before Thomas.*

**PRAYER FOR THE DAY:** *Living Lord, you not only rose from the dead, not only defeated sin, and the powers of death and evil. You came back to us, you broke through locked doors, you overcame our doubts and reservations, and you called us to follow you into eternal life. Keep coming to us, Lord Jesus, keep raising us from the dead, keep empowering us with your life-giving Spirit! Amen.*

### THE GATHERING

**BELL PEAL  
WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**                      **“Variations on LLANGLOFFAN”**                      Lovelace

**INTROIT** (*Borrowed Light*)    **“These Things Did Thomas Count as Real”**                      Tallis' Canon

CHOIR: These things did Thomas count as real: the warmth of blood the chill of steel,  
the grain of wood, the heft of stone, the last frail twitch of flesh and bone.  
His reasoned certainties denied that one could live when one had died,  
until his fingers read like Braille the markings of the spear and nail.

**\*ALL:** **May we, O God, by grace believe and thus the risen Christ receive  
whose raw imprinted palms reached out and beckoned Thomas from his doubt.**

#### \*OPENING SENTENCES

LEADER: Easter is our reality; Christ is alive, and we too, will live eternally!

PEOPLE: **Christ is peace, and we may live in peace!**  
**Christ is hope, and we may live in hope!**

LEADER: Let us celebrate with great joy the new life that is ours in Christ Jesus.

ALL: **Let us worship God!**

**\*HYMN #308**                      **“O Sing a Song of Bethlehem”**                      Kingsfold

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LEADER: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

PEOPLE: **But if we confess our sins, God who is merciful and just will forgive us  
our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

LEADER: In humility and faith, let us confess our sin against God and neighbor.

ALL: **O God, your love is boundless and your grace exceeds our imaginations.  
You keep finding ways to be among us, even when our hearts are hidden,  
even when the doors of our souls are locked. You seek us out. We  
cannot hide, but we can confess that sin has us in its grip. It has led us  
from your ways. And corrupted our best intentions, making us believe  
that you don't notice, that you aren't even present. Correct our vision.  
Cleanser our hearts. Create in us a place where we can welcome you and  
receive the fullness of what you have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**RESPONSE (Hymn #295)                      “O God of Love, O God of Peace”                      Du Meiner Seelen**

CHOIR: O God of love, O God of peace, make wars throughout the world to cease;  
the wrath of nations now restrain: give peace, O God, give peace again!

ALL: **Where saints and angels dwell above, all hearts are knit in holy love;  
O bind us in that heavenly chain: give peace, O God, give peace again!**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER: The saying is true and worthy of full acceptance,  
that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

PEOPLE: **He, himself, bore our sins upon the cross,  
that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good.**

ALL: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**\*GLORIA PARTI (Hymnal #579) “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.”**

(At this time the children may leave for Sonshine Mountain.)

#### THE WORD

##### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

##### EPISTLE READING

*The Word of the Lord!*

**Thanks be to God!**

**Revelation 1:4-8**

##### GOSPEL READING

*The Gospel of the Lord!*  
**Praise to You, O Christ!**

**John 20:19-31**

SERMON

“Inspiration Revisited”

Rev. Victoria ByRode

**THE RESPONSE**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Coalition of Immokalee Workers

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“The Cup of Blessing”

Turner

*\*DOXOLOGY (Hymnal #591) “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 DEDICATION**

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

RESPONSE (Hymn #521)

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

Finest Wheat

CHOIR: (REFRAIN) **You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat;  
Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.**

The mystery of Your presence Lord, No mortal tongue can tell.  
Whom all the world cannot contain, Comes in our hearts to dwell.

ALL: (REFRAIN)

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

LEADER: Beloved in Christ! People shall be gathered from north and south, from east and west, to feast at the heavenly banquet of the Lord. Christ our Paschal Lamb has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the feast. Alleluia!

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LEADER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

LEADER: Lift up your hearts!

PEOPLE: **We lift them to the Lord!**

LEADER: Give thanks to God, for he is good.

PEOPLE: **His love is everlasting!**

LEADER: It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey, and set before us the way of life. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn: -3-

SANCTUS (Hymnal #581)

Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!**

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. By your great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead, and to an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading. Once we were no people, but now we are your people, declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ, who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. In remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith. Amen.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (Hymnal #582)

Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

**Dying, You destroyed our death; Rising You restored our life.  
Lord, Jesus, come in glory!**

INSTITUTION AND FRACTURE

RESPONSE (Hymnal #597)

Sanctuary Choir

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

And all that is within me, bless God’s holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

And forget not all God’s benefits.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS *(Please partake of the elements as you are served.)*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

PEOPLE: **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

LEADER: Let us pray together.

PEOPLE: **You have given yourself to us, Lord. Now we give ourselves for others. You have raised us with Christ, and made us a new people. As people of the resurrection, we will serve you with joy. Your glory has filled our hearts. Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen** -4-



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FIRST SUNDAY BOOKS** – today - April 11<sup>th</sup> 7-8:15 p.m. in the church library. Sarah’s Key by Tatiana de Rosnay. Don’t miss the discussion about this historical fiction, based on real events in France (1942) during World War II. Discussion leaders: Iris Shalit and Joann Burrows

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAMILY DINNER** The cost is \$6.50 per adult; \$4.00 12-18; \$3.00 2-12; \$18.00 max per family with children under 12. We eat at 6:15, so please come a little early to pay. Sign up today on the Friendship Register!

**SPRING BASH**-Attention all students in grades 2-5! FPC is going to Cedrkirk on April 16 & 17 for the annual Spring Bash. You'll enjoy a one night stay at the beautiful campground in Lithia; breakfast, lunch, dinner; a zip-line, crafts, Bible stories, fellowship and so much more. Contact Rita Long (734-3090) or Eric Houghton (736-1560) to get your registration form.

**WE’RE GOING TO CHIP** (Clearwater Homeless Intervention Project) this coming Friday, April 16. Can you prepare a cold dish for delivery to our homeless friends? Please sign up for meat, salad, fruit or cookies at the CHIP table in Hager Hall after the service. If we all do a little, we can make a lot of difference!

**CALL FOR FREEDOM FOR FLORIDA FARMWORKERS-** You’ve heard in the news about the Coalition of Immokalee Workers. You’ve heard that Publix won’t join the agreement to pay an extra PENNY per pound of tomatoes. Who has? McDonalds, Burger King, Subway, Yum Brands (owns Taco Bell, Pizza Hut, KFC, Long John Silvers), AND our very own Bon Appétit. On Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a rally in Munn Park in Lakeland. The March to Munn Park starts at the Publix, located at 2518 S Florida Ave in Lakeland. The “Modern Day Slavery Museum will be at the park.

Picket @ Lakeland Publix – 1:30

March to Munn Park - 2:00

Concert and Rally at Munn Park - 3:30

Think about getting together with some friends, even some from the congregation, and take a ride over there. Carpooling is advised.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY** Breakfast and tour of their newest development – Shady Grove. Saturday, May 1, at 9:00 a.m. Limited number of tickets available. Contact Kristy Walby at 727-536-4755 or [developmentMGR@phfh.org](mailto:developmentMGR@phfh.org).

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** We will begin a new procedure May 1 that allows people to pay in advance for the Sanctuary and/or Hager Hall flowers. If you wish to have a loved one remembered through placement of flowers anytime during the next year, please fill out a “Sanctuary Flowers Request Form” providing the preferred Sunday date(s) and the language that you wish to have printed in the bulletin. Put the form with your payment (\$25.00 for each arrangement) into an envelope and put it into the offering plate or mail it to the church. Payment can be made by “online bill-payer” from your bank, in cash, or by personal check, with “flowers” on the memo line. The new Flower Form will be available in Hager Hall and the church office.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** - the names of people who have requested prayer are listed in italics the first week of their request and any time there are changes in their condition or place of recuperation. A complete listing of the people for whom we need to lift our prayers will also be provided for you in each edition of THE VOICE. (Please call the church office if you have a prayer concern.)

- *Arthur Goodale at Mease Continuing Care*
- *Brice Ehmig recuperating at home*
- *Sue Brice at Mease Dunedin*
- Beth Hoffer, daughter of Joe and Donna Hoffer, undergoing tests
- Joe Tilney at Mease Continuing Care
- Anne Trahan, mother of Betsi Lewis-Knapp, under Hospice care
- For improved health: Lillian McKibben, Paul Hoffer, Scott Miller, John Keller, Betsy Perkins, Bill Vilsoet, Marge Vilsoet, Sharyn Ramirez, Lois Krebs, Dotsie Dauble, Bob Harvie, Peg Harvie, Dee Faust, Dave Dauble, Eva Marcantel
- All our members who reside in skilled nursing homes
- The Missio Dei Community (formerly the Transfiguration Faith Community of St. Petersburg), a new church development in the Presbytery of Tampa Bay
- First Presbyterian Church in our desire to be responsible stewards of our talents and finance

### **First Church Financial Status on: April 7, 2010**

<i>Operating Funds</i>	<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Surplus (Deficit)</i>
Church	\$136,299.00	\$117,112.00	\$ 19,187.00
Pre-School	\$66,561.00	\$62,075.00	\$4,486.00
Totals:	\$202,860.00	\$179,187.00	\$ 23,673.00

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**THE SESSION OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DUNEDIN**

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