

Doylestown Presbyterian Church
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2023 – 8:30 am
John Willingham preaching
Becca Bateman assisting

Words of Welcome

Prelude

He Lives!

arr. Carol Tornquist

Call to Worship

Psalms 105:1-3

O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.

Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

*Hymn 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Prayer of Confession

**God of all hope and joy,
we confess that we continue to live in fear.
You walk with us in our sorrow,
yet we fail to recognize you.
You show us that Christ is risen,
yet doubts persist in our hearts.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Open our hearts and minds
to understand and believe
the good news of the resurrection.**

(a moment for Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

The Sharing of the Peace of Christ

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you. **And also with you.**

*Congregational Response 587



Old Testament Lesson: Lamentations 3:19-24

Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 766

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

(Ushers will collect prayer request cards following the lesson.)

** Those who are able, please stand*

Anthem

Concerto in G Major for Two Violas
Eudora & Magnolia Demiri-Worman, Strings
Mina Choi, Piano

J.P. Telemann

New Testament Lesson: Romans 5:1-5

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 155

Sermon

“Calling It To Mind”
“But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope.” —Lamentations 3:21

Concerns of the Church

(Persons nearest the aisles are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer (Traditional)

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.

*Hymn 353

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

*Benediction

*Postlude

Lift Every Voice and Sing

arr. Mina Choi

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Christian Sympathy. The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Paula Foran on the death of her husband, Michael Foran, on April 15; and to Marne Dietterich on the death of her husband, Tom Dietterich, on April 22. We hold these families in prayer in their time of loss.

The **flowers** are given today in memory of my beloved nephew, Andrew Christian Bishop, and sister-in-law, Sharon Bishop, by Anne L. Bishop.

Today’s **Prayer of Confession** is taken from *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching and the Arts*. Volume 51.1, p. 84.



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