

First Presbyterian Church
209 W. Hickory Street
Arcadia, FL
May 2, 2021 - (5th Sunday of Easter)



Organized August 28, 1898

*The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Arcadia is to answer
God's Call by:
offering inspired worship; creating great relationships with
members and community; educating and serving both members
and the community God has entrusted to us.*

** Please stand if able*

Prelude: *Selected*

recordings from Charles Durr

Chimes

Welcome

Dr. Will Browne

***Call to Worship:**

Dr. Will Browne

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.

Then our mouths were filled with laughter and shouts of joy.

We rejoiced: "The Lord has done great things for us."

May those who go our weeping, bearing the seeds for sowing,
come home with joy, carrying their sheaves.

***Hymn:** *Christ is Alive*

#312

V1-2 Women; V3-4 Men; V5 All

Call to Confession

Elder Jill Maassen

Prayer of Confession:

Assurance of Pardon:

Elder Jill Maassen

The Apostle Paul reminds us
that we do not make ourselves righteous.

Our righteousness comes through faith in Jesus.

He has made us his own!

So hear and believe the good news of the gospel,

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

The old life has passed away – and a new life has begun.

Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri:** *Glory be to the Father* **#734**
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the be-ginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A-men, Amen

Children's Moment Dr. Will Browne

Music: *Sarabande* J. S. Bach
Ellie Sutphin, flute

Scripture Reading: **1 John 4:7-21** Elder Jill Maassen &
Dr. Will Browne

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon: *In this is Love* Dr. Will Browne

***Hymn:** *Thou Art Worthy* **Sing twice # 126**

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving & 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.

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Elements

Closing Communion Prayer

Moment for Generosity

Offertory **#34**

***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 Dedication**

***Hymn:** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* **#358**
V1-2 Women; V3-4 Men

***Charge and Benediction** Dr. Will Browne

Postlude: *Selected* recording from Charles Durr

April's Session meeting conducted the following:

- A Mother's Day breakfast will be held May 9th
- May 23rd will be a special Pentecost celebration
- Five (5) students will be graduating and honored on June 6th
- Presbyterian Special Offering One Great Hour of sharing collected over \$100

WELCOME: A Special welcome to those who listen online. We appreciate your presence-in-the-spirit even if you cannot be here with us. Together we are the church.

We thank you for following the Session's guideline asking you to wear a mask covering both your nose and mouth and to maintain social distance, except those who have medical reasons for not wearing a mask all the time.

In doing this even if we do not feel endangered ourselves, we honor Christ's command to love and serve our neighbors and, we help each other. Please also pray that the vaccinations may happen quickly and we can get beyond this pandemic.

Church Prayer List

FPC - Members: Jean Borsmann, Millie Foster, Murial Hall, Shelia Knoche and Marilyn McConnell

FPC – FAMILY / FRIENDS:

Billy Bennett, Linda Brodowsky, Hans Bursa, Dan Cribbs (Clair Cribbs's son), Pam and Rick Dodd, Roger Evans, Santiago Garavito, Brian Harris (Gallant's son in law), Jane Hayward and son Ozzie, Hanna Joy Lepianka (Rich & Jean Borsmann's granddaughter), Keith Markey, Bobby O'Neal (Edith's friend), Dean Phillips (Edith's friend), Bob Smith (Sheila Knoche's uncle), Ruth Ann Smith, Sherrie Turner, Malcomb & Jackie Underwood, Margaret White, JoLynn Wright (Bill Stander's cousin) and Landon Yoder.

Military List:

Julian Davis, Sean Davis, Curtis Johnson, Ryan Maassen, and Cole Overcash.

Our thoughts and prayers for the family of Margaret Hays.

Church Calendar

May 2021

2	9:45 am	Sunday school
	10:00 am	Choir Practice
	11:00 am	Worship with communion
4	5:00 pm	Christian Ed Meeting duplex
5	2:00 pm	Worship/Music meeting duplex
	6:30 pm	No Handbell practice

Church Information

Attendance Last Sunday: **52** Viewed by Facebook: 65
Offering Last Sunday: **\$ 2,659.00** Year to date: **\$60,279.69**

Session:

2021: Beth Lyszak, Mitzie McGavic, Johnny Maassen, Jean Borsmann

2022: Judy Kirkpatrick, Don Knoche, Jill Maassen, Bill Stander

2023: Jeff Adams, Ann Pepper, Ellie Sutphin, Edith Wildt

Elders Emeriti:

Margaret Way, David Holloman

Church Directory

Pastor:	Dr. Will Browne
Clerk of Session	Elder Mitzie McGavic
Director of Music	Genie Martin
Organist	Lew Cassels
Treasurer	Elder Edward Maassen
Sound Technician	Elder Tyler Maassen
Office Manager	Karen Cassels
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