



First United Methodist Church of Carson City
April 21, 2024 11:00
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Pastor Kevin Dotts
Lay Reader: Karen Lederer
Hosanna Handbell Choir Director: Michelle Powers
Chancel Choir Director: Judy Monson
Pianist/Organist: Katie Cardoza
Organist: Nancy Mielke

Prelude

Choral Introit *God Is Love*

Welcome

Opening Hymn *Come, Christians Join to Sing #158*

Opening Prayer

ONE:

How shall we live when we have more than enough?

ALL:

We have no greater praise to offer than caring for your Creation.

ONE:

Let us worship God, the Ground of all Being.

Living Word whose love abides in us,

You call us to love in truth and action.

Give courage to our hearts so we may love your beloveds.

Open our ears to the wisdom of those you send,
who might otherwise be dismissed.

Transform our charity into justice over all the earth.

ALL:

Amen.

Passing the Peace

ONE: Peace be with you!

ALL: And also with you!

ONE: Let us pass the peace of Christ with one another.

Scripture Reading *1 John 3:16-24 NIV*

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. If anyone has material

possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

Handbell Anthem *Chime Lullaby*

Message

Hymn of Response *O, How I Love Jesus* #170

Praises and Prayers

Mission Moment: Trustees

Offering Prayer/Doxology *Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow* #95

Closing Hymn *Oh, How He Loves You and Me* FWS #2108

Blessing

Choral Benediction *Celebrate Love*

Postlude

Stay Safe Online Class

Come join us for a class on how to Stay Safe Online! There will be two sessions offered: Sunday, April 21, from 1:30pm – 2:30pm and Thursday, April 25, from 6pm – 7pm. Both sessions will be held in the Wesley Room at church and will be identical. Topics covered include managing passwords, how to avoid/recognize scams, safely navigating Facebook, avoiding malware, and other safety subjects. No computer is necessary. There will be a time for questions and answers at the end. No need to sign-up, just show-up!!

Pianist Opening

The praise band is looking for a pianist/keyboard player to fill in when Diane and Katie aren't available. Contact Chris Causey: chris@carsoncitymethodist.com

United Women in Faith Scholarships

The UWF is offering scholarships to members/constituents of 1st UMC who will be attending an accredited institution of higher learning in the fall of 2024.

Banghart Scholarships

The Banghart Scholarship is available to members/constituents completing post-secondary education (degree, certification, etc.). Applications are available in the office.

April Artist in Residence:

Jenny Schnabel will be displaying work in the Wesley Room through the month of April. Be sure to stop by and check out her work!

Wesley Room Artist in Residence Openings

We have many open months coming up to showcase your work! Work is displayed in the Wesley Room for the month. Artists are welcome to list their work for sale. Contact the office or Jenny Schnabel to sign up!

GraceWorks May 11

The Church is Leaving the Building on Saturday May 11, 2024! The mission is to exhibit the love of Christ by serving our community. Volunteers from various churches will fellowship and work together on service projects. Free breakfast at First Presbyterian Church at 8am. Thanks to Calvary Chapel.

Sign up to help with the project of your choice. Projects are:

- Music at breakfast- David Mason 805-748-2857
- Fence repair - 8 to 12 volunteers wanted. For location and info contact Dave Berger 775-671-2772 or Rob Scanland 775-742-5959.
- Ron Wood Family Resource Center - 3 or 4 volunteers, contact David Mason 805-748-2857
- Light landscaping and painting -for location contact David Mason 805-748-2857
- Mac and cheese packet assembling at First Presbyterian Church - Carol Allen 775-690-7598
- CASA - up to 6 volunteers wanted. Contact Cathy Kreis 865-603-7666
- Music ministry at assisted living facilities, nursing homes or group homes - Common Ground Church
- Eagle Valley Children's Home - weeding - Common Ground Church
- T-shirts \$12. available at First Presbyterian Church.

To sign up, contact the person listed on the project you choose, email graceworks@carsoncitymethodist.com or fill out a form in the Wesley Room on Sundays during April.

www.carsoncitymethodist.com/events for our full calendar

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