

Elderton Presbyterian Church  
Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 21, 2024

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

ACOLYTE – MaKayla Scrips

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Choral Introit

\*Call to Worship: (**responsively**)

From thee comes my praise in the great congregation.

**My vows I will pay before those who fear God.**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to God.

**And all the families of the nations shall worship before God.**

\*Prayer of Invocation

\*Hymn No. 151 “Crown Him with Many Crowns” DIADEMATA

\***Unison** Prayer of Confession:

**While the beautiful signs of spring’s renewal are revealed by you, O God, we must reveal our failures to bring fresh beauty to many parts of our lives. Like farmers who struggle during the lean months of the year, preparing for a new crop, so we in our life of faith often experience leanness, struggle, and emptiness. We fail to grow, because we do not give ourselves over to the acceptance and nurture possible in this community of your children. Help us to accept responsibility for difficulties in our personal lives. May we take the risks to open ourselves to you and to one another, and so reap a harvest of love and peace.**

\*Silent Prayer of Confession

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri – page 579 – blue hymnal

THE WORD

Anthem

Joys, Concerns and God Sightings  
Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Children’s Sermon  
Hunger Offering

\*Hymn Insert “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say” DYKES

Scripture Reading James 1:13-15; 4:6

Sermon “Seductive Power of Temptation” Dr. De La Cruz

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

\*Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles’ Creed - in unison - page 14 in blue hymnal

Presentation of Our Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology – page 592 - blue hymnal

\*Prayer

SENDING

\*Hymn No. 447 “Lead On, O King Eternal” LANCASHIRE

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response:

Because He lives I can face tomorrow. Because He lives all fear is gone.  
Because I know He holds the future, And life is worth the living just because He lives.

\*Postlude

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(\*) Congregation Standing

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**A warm welcome to all those visiting with us today. We pray you are blessed and encouraged as we worship together. So that we may get to know you better, please fill out the welcome card found in the pew racks and place in the offering plate.**

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A nursery is available for your convenience located in the educational complex of the building.

Headsets for those with hearing impairment are available for use during worship. See Cassie or sound system person to get one.

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**PRAYER CHAIN REQUEST CONTACT** – Linda Prugh – 724-464-8861

**GREETERS TODAY** – Terri Maughan and Alexandra Maughan

**GREETERS NEXT WEEK** – Eric and Amber Pinkerton

**ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK** – Jonah Scrips

**VISITATION TEAMS FOR APRIL**

Elders – Marcia Elgin and Susan Schrecengost

Deacons – Jeff Elgin and Dave Smail

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We continue to collect our special spring offering through the month of April for the In His Name Fund. This fund is used for anyone in our congregation and community who face emergency needs such as fire, flood, medical needs etc. Please use the envelopes found in the vestibules and place in the offering plates.

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#### **THIS WEEK**

**April 27** –Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering here at Elderton Presbyterian Church. **9:30** Registration, **10:00** Program begins. All women are welcome to attend.

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#### **COMING UP**

**June 16** – **Mark your calendars now!** We will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our church. Please watch for your invitation and plan to attend as we have many exciting things planned for the day.

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Elderton Presbyterian Church will host Vacation Bible School June 3-7, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Emily Spencer and Barbara Johns will direct the program. **We need volunteers to help make this a success.** If you are interested in helping, please contact Susan Schrecengost or Emily Spencer.

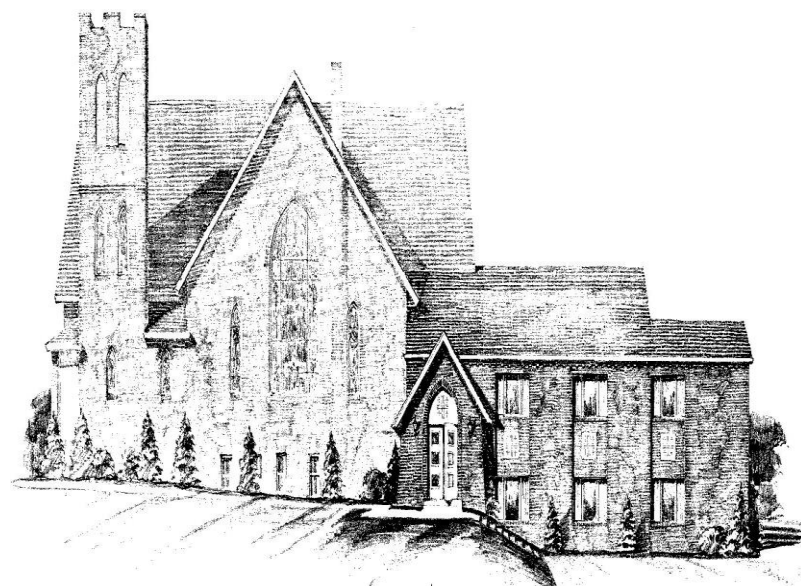
We are collecting paper towel and toilet paper rolls for crafts. Please put them in the blue basket in church office.

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## ***THE ELDERTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH***

***115 North Main Street***

***Elderton, PA 15736***



***WORSHIP - 10:30 AM***

***Pastor – Rev. Dr. Angel De La Cruz***

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***Church Web site: [eldertonpc.org](http://eldertonpc.org)***

***Secretary Office Hours:***

***Tuesday 7:00 – 2:00***

***Wednesday & Friday – 7:00 AM – 12:00 PM***

***Church email - [preschurch@eldertonpa.org](mailto:preschurch@eldertonpa.org)***

### **In Our Prayers**

Donna Howard asks for prayers for Pam Flickinger as she continues her cancer treatments.

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Blythe Johns asks for continued prayers for her brother-in-law, Huck Finn, he had two stints placed in his heart and is doing well.

Sue Quinn asks for prayers for her friend, Deb, she completed her cancer treatments.

Sue Quinn asks for prayers for Tom, he is scheduled for hip replacement this week.

Laney Brown asks for prayers; she is to receive the results of her cardiac monitoring.

Larry Prugh asks for prayers for the Middle East.

Joe Scrips asks for prayers for John and Helen Bowser as they continue to navigate several health issues.

### **Our Joys**

Kaely Klonowski has a joy that her new job as the marketing director of a Catholic retreat center has brought her closer to God.

### **On Our Prayer Chain**

Shirley Schall asks for prayers for her husband, Bob, he is to have surgery on a leaky aneurysm and her son Mike was recently in the hospital, his port was removed and a new treatment is to start through IV, please pray that this is successful.

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