

Elderton Presbyterian Church  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 28, 2024

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

ACOLYTE – Jonah Scrips

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Choral Introit

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

God is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

**You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me.**

You have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.**

**ALL: And I will dwell in the house of God forever.**

\*Prayer of Invocation

\*Hymn No. 464 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” HYMN TO

JOY

\*Unison Prayer of Confession:

**Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin, but we confess that we have not obeyed your word. We have harbored malice toward our enemies; we have been deceitful in our relationships; we have been insincere in our commitments; through gossip we have slandered our friends. Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance. Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk that we may grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*Silent Prayer of Confession

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri – page 579 – blue hymnal

THE WORD

Anthem “Lord, You Are Holy” JOHNSON/FETTKE

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

Children’s Sermon – Chet Schall

\*Hymn No. 543 “Abide with Me” EVENTIDE

Scripture Reading John 15: 1-8

Sermon “Jesus the Vine” Dr. Angel 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. 438 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” DENNIS

\*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

**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.

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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** – Eric and Amber Pinkerton

**GREETERS NEXT WEEK** – Sue and Lee Pierce

**ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK** – Aaron Quinn

**VISITATION TEAMS FOR APRIL**

Elders – Marcia Elgin and Susan Schrecengost

Deacons – Jeff Elgin and Dave Smail

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**TODAY**

Today is the last day we will collect our special spring offering for the In His Name Fund. Please use the envelopes found in the vestibules and place in the offering plates.

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**THIS WEEK**

**May 2 - 10:00- 3:00** – Helping Hand – If you would like to help, please see Sheila Brumbaugh.

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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. **We need volunteers to help make this a success.** If you are interested in helping, please contact Susan Schrecengost or Emily Spencer.

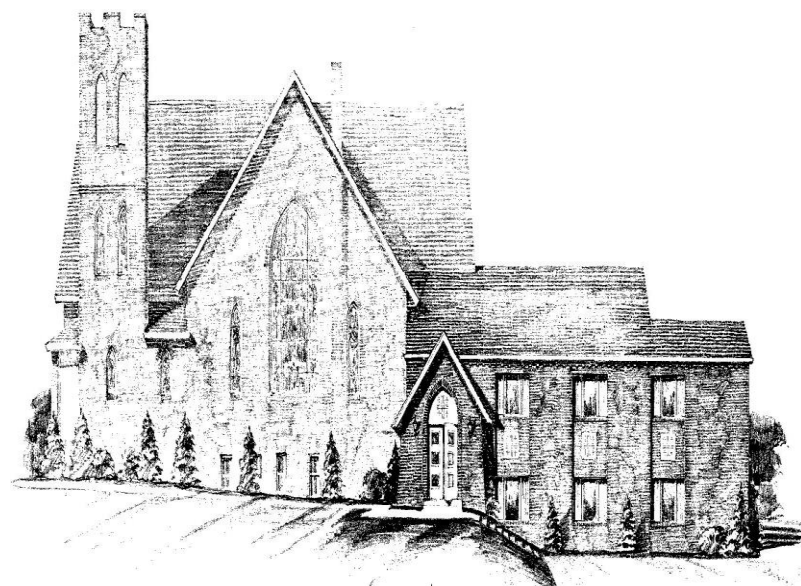
We are collecting paper towel and toilet paper rolls for crafts. Please put them in the blue basket in church office.

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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.or](mailto:preschurch@eldertonpa.or)***

### **In Our Prayers**

Linda Prugh asks for continued prayers for John and Helen Bowser, John is back in the hospital with pneumonia and Helen remains in Allegheny Valley hospital navigating health issues.

Blythe Johns asks for continued prayers for Tom, his hip surgery was successful, however he is weak and needs physical therapy.

### **Our Joys**

Mia Scrips and Nate Johns will celebrate birthday's April 22.

Krista Johnston has a joy that Laney's cardiac tests show she is in good health, and a joy that Grant was chosen to attend a Pirates game for the signing of joining to Carpenters Union.

Veda Hixenbaugh has a joy that Dewey's sister is visiting.

### **On Our Prayer Chain**

Blythe Johns asks for prayers for Travis, he was admitted to the hospital and will have surgery to remove his appendix.

Susan Schrecengost asks for prayers of healing for George Nalevanko.

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We would like to thank Larry and Linda Prugh for donating the picture of Jesus hanging in the front vestibule. The picture was drawn by our local artist Linda Zahn. Please take a moment to look at it.

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