



Mission Statement First Presbyterian Church

Mountain Home, Arkansas

Our mission is to glorify God, reach out to people of all ages and in all levels of spiritual growth in worship, Christian education, music and fellowship. Trumpet the good news we share of God's love and forgiveness, of Jesus Christ and his gospel to people everywhere throughout the local church community and the world.



**THE GOOD SHEPHERD
LAYS DOWN HIS LIFE
FOR THE SHEEP.**

JOHN 10:11

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April 21, 2024

4th Sunday of Easter

Order of Worship
APRIL 21, 2024

PRELUDE

(This is a time for quiet meditation and preparation for worship)

WELCOME

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Please share the peace of the Lord with one another.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

People: He lays down his life for his sheep.

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

People: He knows us, and we belong to him.

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

People: He speaks, and we listen for his voice.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Rev. Stewart Smith

(Please stand, as able)

HYMN OF PRAISE “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

No. 466

(Please be seated)

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 23

Doug Wells, Lay Reader

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, April 14, 2024 Attendance—31

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Chuck Beall, Lillian Euers, Judy Sulephen, Bob Brozowski, Carolyn Hannon and her son Ladd, Barb Sandberg, Michelle Rossi, daughter of Pastor Mike and Jan Clark; Frank, Sue, and Diane, the brother and sisters of Michele Wells, Rev. Cindy Saul, Barb Hough, Marti Frazier, Marty Hasty, Mary Smith, Eden Village.

WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCES 2024

Weekly contributions needed: \$1,809.00

Amount deposited April 15, 2024: \$456.00

Year End, 2023 Checking Account Balance: \$52,969.09

First Presbyterian Church Annual Budget: \$94,058.00

SCRIPTURES FOR APRIL 28

Acts 8:26-40 and Psalm 22:25-31 and Exodus 19:1-6

Psalm 118:19-25; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

April 25-Last day to submit articles and reports for the RedBud.

May 19-Pentecost offering. Rev. Stewart Smith Preaches.

Have you submitted your favorite Hymns?



Thank you, Rev. Stewart Smith, for giving us the Word today.

All announcements for the Sunday bulletin need to be in the secretary's office or emailed to fpcmh@centurytel.net by noon on Wednesday.

Extra hearing assistance devices are in the back of the sanctuary for those that need them.

GAMMA HOUSE NEEDED SUPPLIES

Gamma House has asked that we collect the following supplies this month. Please consider these items while shopping...

- Disinfectant Spray and Wipes
- Floor Mopping Items
- Bleach
- Blue Masks
- Paper Towels
- Tampax
- Lysol Spray

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Lord, have mercy on us. We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect the poor. We talk about love, but we fail to love one another. Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us, and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ, in whose body we live and in whose name we pray. Amen. (silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Stewart Smith

(Please stand, as able)

GLORIA PATRI (UNISON)

Page 567, in blue hymnal

(Please be Seated)

SCRIPTURE

1 John 3:16-24

Doug Wells, Lay Reader

GATHERING OF TITHES AND FIRST FRUITS

(Offering Plates in Narthex)

Doug Wells, Lay Reader

(Please stand, as able)

THE DOXOLOGY (UNISON)

Page 592, blue hymnal

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

Gracious God, we give you thanks that you have shown us the meaning of love through Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us. Show us how to share Christ’s love by giving our lives for one another; to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Doug Wells, Lay Reader

HYMN “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” No. 387

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Traditional) Page 16, blue hymnal

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

SCRIPTURE READING John 10:11-18
Doug Wells, Lay Reader

SERMON “The Loving Shepherd” Rev. Stewart Smith

(Please stand, as able)

THIS WE BELIEVE (UNISON) Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN “How Firm a Foundation” No. 361

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prayer list for Congregations, Presbytery of AR 2024

Central, Fort Smith (Members:169 Est:1888)

Active Deacons