

Join us for Afternoon Tea today at 4:00pm. EVERYONE INVITED! Fayette Presb is starting off the month of May with grace and style as we host an afternoon tea for our members and all our neighbors. Feel free to dress your best with pearls, hats, or gloves or jeans if that's what makes you feel your best! You don't want to miss out of this afternoon of food, fellowship, fun and tea! Be sure to **sign up today** at the welcome table, spaces are limited.

We are so excited to have ***NEW* Birdening Class!** Led by the Hillers, this free class covers identification of most common birds, bird books, attracting birds, *and more!* **Join us every Thursday in May at 2:30pm** in the afternoon. Please sign up on the church website or contact Laurie in the church office during regular hours.

Relay for Life and Bark for Life joint event THIS Friday, May 6 from 6pm until 10pm at Shakerag Knoll, 201 McIntosh Trail. COME ON OUT for fun activities and vendors, all raising support for cancer research and charity. **Our own John Dodds with the Southern Crescent Crooners quartet will be singing the National Anthem!** See Pam at our RFL table or check out our team page to join us or to donate: tinyurl.com/fpcRFL

Relay for Life Outdoor Family Movie Night, Friday, May 6 at 7:30pm. Our movie is SING 2! We'll have fresh, hot popcorn, of course and a GIANT movie screen. This family event is free, but we will be taking donations to benefit the Fayette Relay for Life, supporting cancer research and charity.



PW Spring Gathering. All women of the church are invited to the Spring Gathering of the Presbyterian Women of Fayette Presbyterian Church on Sunday, May 15 at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall for lunch. We will be celebrating our newest Honorary Life Member and 100 years of the Birthday Offering. Please join us and if you have any questions, please contact Beth Posey-Leonhard.

Diaper Drive. Please join Presbyterian Women as we collect boxes/packages of diapers (all sizes) for refugee families through Memorial Drive Ministries. Bring your donations to FPC **through FRIDAY, May 6.** The babies and their moms Thank You!

Men's Breakfast at IHOP in Fayetteville on Saturday, May 21 at 8:00am. We'll enjoy fellowship and delicious pancakes, then have a brief devotional. Please let Bob know if you're coming — 404-889-3830 or bjrbj1948@gmail.com.

Fellowship Lunch out on the town on May 22 after worship at Partner's Pizza in south Fayetteville. Please sign up in the main lobby in the coming weeks, as we'll need to give the restaurant an accurate count.

Have a Prayer Request? Submit it to our prayer chain! Please call Sharon's cell phone or email her to submit prayer requests or to receive emailed concerns. Sharon: 404-402-4094 or sharart.ayers@gmail.com.

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us. Children ages 4 - 5th grade are invited to Children's Church after Children's Time. Nursery is available for infants - age 3, down Heritage Hall off the main lobby. Assistive hearing devices and large-print bulletins are available from an usher. As we enter a holy space and time this morning, please silence your electronic devices.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 30)

*Leader: I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up.
To you, O Lord, I cried for help, and you have healed me.*

**People: O Lord, when we are trapped in the Pit,
you bring us up and restore us to life.**

*Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones,
and give thanks to his holy name.*

People: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Leader: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to us! O Lord, be our helper!

**People: You turn our mourning into dancing; you clothe us with joy,
so that our souls may praise you and not be silent.
O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.**

*Hymn #157

I Danced in the Morning

LORD OF THE DANCE

Prayer of the Day

Scripture Reading: Exodus 3:1-4:17 (with congregation participation—see insert)

Children's Time

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Alex Moses

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' 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.

Anthem

A Place at His Table

arr. Camp Kirkland

The Lord's Supper

Welcome to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion and the 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.

*Song

Chorus

If you say go, we will go

If you say wait, we will wait

If you say step out on the water

And they say it can't be done

We'll fix our eyes on you

and we will come

If You Say Go

Verse

Your ways are higher than our ways

And the plans that you have laid

Are good and true

If you call us to the fire

You will not withdraw your hand

We'll gaze into the flames and look for you

Diane Thiel

*Benediction

** Please stand as you are able*

The flower arrangement today is given to the Glory of God by Brad & Ann Conley in happy celebration of Michael Conley's birthday on May 2.

The Children's Church leader today is Ann Johnston; next Sunday is Susan Gilbert.

Our **Outdoor Worship Service** has been moved to May 15 due to the weather. We will have shade under our huge oak tree in front of the Youth House and canopied seating available on the pavement for those with disabilities. We will also be **honoring our graduates** that day. If you or a loved one is graduating high school or college, please send details to the church office and we will include the information in the bulletin that day.

Scripture Reading

Reader 1: Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up."

Reader 2: When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

People: Moses! This place where you are – it is holy ground!

Reader 1: Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

Reader 2: But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

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Reader 1: Go, Moses, and assemble the elders of Israel, and say to them, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying:

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I have given heed to you and to what has been done to you in Egypt. I declare that I will bring you up out of the misery of Egypt, to the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, a land flowing with milk and honey.' They will listen to your voice; and you and the elders of Israel shall go to the king of Egypt and say to him, 'The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us; let us now go a three days' journey into the wilderness, so that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.' I know, however, that the king of Egypt will not let you go unless compelled by a mighty hand. So I will stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all my wonders that I will perform in it; after that he will let you go. I will bring this people into such favor with the Egyptians that, when you go, you will not go empty-handed; each woman shall ask her neighbor and any woman living in the neighbor's house for jewelry of silver and of gold, and clothing, and you shall put them on your sons and on your daughters; and so you shall plunder the Egyptians."

Reader 2: Then Moses answered, "But suppose they do not believe me or listen to me, but say, 'The LORD did not appear to you.'" The LORD said to him, "What is that in your hand?" He said, "A staff." And he said, "Throw it on the ground." So he threw the staff on the ground, and it became a snake; and Moses drew back from it. Then the LORD said to Moses, "Reach out your hand, and seize it by the tail"—so he reached out his hand and grasped it, and it became a staff in his hand— "so that they may believe that the LORD, the God of their ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you."

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Reader 1: But Moses said to the LORD, "O my Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." Then the LORD said to him, "Who gives speech to mortals? Who makes them mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the LORD? Now go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you are to speak."

Reader 2: But Moses said, "O my Lord, please send someone else!" Then the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses and he said, "What of your brother Aaron the Levite? I know that he can speak fluently; even now he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you his heart will be glad. You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth; and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth, and will teach you what you shall do. He indeed shall speak for you to the people; he shall serve as a mouth for you, and you shall serve as God for him. Take in your hand this staff, with which you shall perform the signs."

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