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Put your  
*Trust*  
in the  
LORD

– Psalm 4:5

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**April 15, 2018**

**11:00 a.m.**

**ASSEMBLE TO PRAISE GOD WITH THANKSGIVING**

**PRELUDE (QUIET MEDITATION PLEASE) .....Regina Ford**

**STRIKING OF THE HOUR ..... (Quiet Please).....Organist**

**CANDLELIGHTING.....Alexandria Conaway & Micah Groomes**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP ..... Rev. J. L. Perry**

The bread of life opens our eyes. The word of life opens our ears. The risen one shows us God's own brokenness, and by those wounds we are healed. Peace be with you. And also with you. **Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN..... "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" - #356**

**\*OPENING PRAYER..... Rev. J. L. Perry**

Almighty God, your power makes the lame walk and the dead rise to new life. We give you thanks for the love poured into our world through Christ Jesus, who opened our minds to understand what you have made, whose appearance among his followers brings peace, and who creates faith through touch and taste. Show us Jesus, even now, through the mystery of your threefold presence, one God, abiding now and forever. **Amen.**

**CALL TO CONFESSION.....Ruling Elder Renee Harris**

The One who calls us to repent, hears us. In trust that our Creator knows us through and through, let us open our hearts to the healing of God's forgiveness.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) .....Ruling Elder Renee Harris**

**Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation, misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us, needing forgiveness. We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. We beg your mercy for our fallen world. We seek your Word that we may live with the faith of Jesus. Be our solace in this life and always. We ask this as your children, holy and incomplete. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE ..... Ruling Elder Renee Harris**

Holy God, by your Spirit reveal your radical, surprising love; come to us through your Holy Word, and let us hear what you are saying. **Amen.**

\* **GLORIA PATRI**..... #579

\***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE/THE GREETING**

Leader: **The peace of Christ be with you.**

**All:** And also with you.

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

**MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN**

**WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**THE OFFERTORY**.....“He Knows My Name”.....Lauren Austin

\***THE DOXOLOGY** .....#592

\***OFFERTORY PRAYER**..... Ruling Elder Renee Harris

As Jesus gave himself fully for us and then appeared to the disciples bringing peace, so let us now bring wholeness and healing to others through our tithes and gifts. **Amen.**

**PRAYER HYMN**..... “Praise Him”

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Rev. Dr. Eric Chavis

**WE HEAR AND EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE: 2 SAMUEL 11:24; 12:13**

Rev. J. L. Perry

**HYMN OF MEDITATION**..... “God Is”.....Dr. Toomer & Gladys Jackson

**SCRIPTURE: JOHN 6:24-35**

Rev. Dr. Eric Chavis

**SERMON: “THE MYSTERY OF GOD’S GRACE”**

**WE FOLLOW GOD’S WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\***INVITATIONAL HYMN**..... “Just As I Am, Without One Plea - #370

\***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (P. 14 FO. Hymnal)**

Rev. Dr. Eric Chavis

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME**

**CLOSING**..... “Amazing Grace” - #280

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**\*BENEDICTION.....** Rev. Dr. Eric Chavis

The word of God assures us: What we will be has not yet been revealed. Live, therefore, with hope, share your joy, withhold your anger, shed your disappointments, turn to all people with gentleness. **Amen.**

**CHORAL RESPONSE .....**“Threefold Amen”

**EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES**  
**(PLEASE BE SEATED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER.)**

**POSTLUDE.....**Ms. Regina Ford

- \*Those who are able, please stand.**
- \*\*Ushers seat those who are standing.**

**SERMON NOTES**

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

April 15, 2018

### WELCOME!

If you are visiting with us today, we ask that you sign a guest card on the table in the lobby and also pick up a visitor's packet from that table. You are invited to participate in any of the ministries at Woodlawn. If you have any questions, please call us at 768-1777 or 768-5905. If you desire to become a member, you may come forward during the singing of the hymn following the sermon or you may inform the pastor of your desire after worship. Thank you for visiting with us today.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:

Mercedes Davis--744-7626; Leola Hamilton--764-1442; Daniel Colleton; Ailedra McClain--803-586-6322; Barbara Walker--702-252-4970; Jacquelyn Colleton-Akins--521-3805; Jacquelyn Tatum--843-640-3484; Deborah & Oscar Randolph--765-4327; Louise Guinyard--766-6415; Moses Jackson--355-3787; Affie Itiat; Viviloria Frazier--762-3089; Sarah Gardner--764-3978; Ruth Smith--765-2145; Thomas Witherspoon--757-3350; Nancy Watts--353-3603; Sallie Bryant; Lee Edna Nicholson--768-2991.

### (In Hospitals, Nursing Homes Rehab. Centers, etc.)

Forrestine Donalson & Joe Trapp--Brookdale--Mandarin-423-3949; Carl Davis--Riverside Presbyterian House; Altomease Duncan--Terrace of Jacksonville--930-0229; William Hill--Autumn Village, Inc. Assisted Living, 1103 Barrs St.; Silas Givens--(904) 485-7813; Thomas Harvey; Atrium Way--673-4313; Sandra Jefferson--UF Health; St. Vincent--Southside.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE:** The 2018 Church Directory is being updated. If you have a change in address, phone number, email or family size, please complete the form inserted in today's bulletin and place it in the offering plate or return to the church's office. Please indicate on the form if you do not wish for your email address to be published in the directory. After April 15<sup>th</sup>, the information update forms will be located on the table in the narthex. **The deadline for submitting the changes is April 30, 2018.**

*Thank you* for assisting us in this matter.

**BRIDGE CLASS** – A beginners Bridge Class is being taught at Woodlawn in the Education Building on Thursday from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining the class, please contact Doris Swinton or Irvlyn Kennebrew.

**ICARE** – Woodlawn Family and Friends: You are invited to attend the Nehemiah Assembly April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at Abyssinia Baptist Church (10325 Interstate Center Dr.). We ask that you please sign the sheet in the narthex if you are planning to attend. Our goal is 100 people.

**TREASURER** – Woodlawn Presbyterian Church is seeking candidates for a part-time, salaried position for a Treasurer (typically 20 hours per week). This position requires some experience in the areas of accounting, bookkeeping, as well as computer proficiency. Candidates interested may obtain a job description of this position in the vestibule and applications will be available in the church's office until April 30<sup>th</sup>. For additional information, please contact the Personnel Committee.

**THE WOODLAWN ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT** in conjunction with Harris House Adult Daycare Center will host a conversation concerning Grief and Guilt in the Family Life Center, Saturday, April 21, 2018 from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. If you are interested in attending, please sign the sheet in the narthex April 8<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>. Age True Community Senior Services will facilitate the meeting. For additional information, please contact Renee Harris, Pauline Davis or Margaret Hawkins.

--Fellowship and Coordination Committee

**2018 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES** - The Scholarship Committee is in the process of identifying high school graduates of 2018. The graduates must be a member of Woodlawn Presbyterian Church. Please sign the sheet in the vestibule by Sunday, May 13, 2018.

**WOODLAWN'S HOMELESS FEEDING** will be Saturday, April 28, 2018 at I. M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless. Volunteer cooks and servers are needed. Cooks are to report to the center at 9:00 a.m. and servers report at 11:00 a.m. We only need one or two hours of your time. Please come and support this mission.

**TAPE MINISTRY/RECORDINGS** – DVD's and CD's of Woodlawn's Worship Services from January 2018 – March 4, 2018 are available for purchase: DVD's - \$12.00, CD's - \$5.00 each. Past Worship Services and programs (Revivals, Black History, Women's Day, Easter, Sunday School, Christmas, Funeral, etc.) are also available for purchase. If interested, please contact Eris Northern or Oday Mickel.

## COMMUNION SERVERS FOR MAY 2018

8:15 a.m. – F. Brown, H. Daniels, T. Daniels, L. Flanders, S. James, P. Phillips, H. Polite, L. Polite

11:00 a.m. – A. Austin, Jr., N. Austin, I. Bealyer, C. Bookhart, J. Brock,\*J. Dixon, W. Fowler, R. Harris, A. Hart, G. Jackson, J. Lawson, A. Mays, N. Nesbit, Jr., \*R. Oliver, M. Pinkney, L. Powell, M. Smith, L. Taylor, S. Taylor, L. Venson

**\*Will assist the Pastor in serving the shut-in on Sunday**

## ACOLYTE SCHEDULE TO SERVE FOR APRIL 2018

April 15 – Alexandria Conaway & Micah Groomes  
April 22 – Lauryn Austin & Nathan Nesbit, IV  
April 29 – Alexandria Conaway & Amaya Morene

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**HEALING & WHOLENESS** – May 16, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** – June 11 – 15 – 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
**SUMMER OUTREACH** – June 18 – 22 – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** – You are invited to attend Sunday school. Join us and experience great discussion, the exchange of ideas and wonderful fellowship. Give it some consideration. There is a class designed especially for your interest.

**WEBSITES:** Give yourself an opportunity to know more about the PCUSA by looking at these websites:

[Woodlawn-Woodlawnpresbyterian.org](http://Woodlawn-Woodlawnpresbyterian.org)  
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**National Black Presbyterian Caucus** – [NBPCsoutheast.org](http://NBPCsoutheast.org)  
**Presbytery of St. Augustine** – [Staugpres.org](http://Staugpres.org)  
**Synod of the South Atlantic** – [synodofsouthatlantic.org](http://synodofsouthatlantic.org)  
**Presbyterian Church (USA)** – [PCUSA.org](http://PCUSA.org)  
**Presbyterian Foundation** – [Presbyterianfoundation.org](http://Presbyterianfoundation.org)

