

Number who worshiped with us on April 1, 2007: 97

TODAY'S GREETERS & WELL WISHERS 9:15: Matt, Kristen, Kayla & Abigail Spencer

TODAY'S USHERS: Ed Wolff, Capt./ Dan Yeager, Jesse & Joe Murray

NEXT SUNDAY'S USHERS: Mike Roadruck, Capt./ Barb Roadruck, Ken & Mary Ellen Campbell

NEXT SUNDAY'S GREETERS: Sharon & Brian Durrant

NEXT SUNDAY'S LITURGIST: Gardy Bandfield

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interfaith Hospitality Network ~ Fairgreen is responsible for preparing and hosting dinner for IHN families at Pilgrim Church on Wednesday, April 18, 2007. We need volunteers to help prepare the main entrée, vegetable, salad, dessert and serve and fellowship with the families. We also need an overnight host for Wednesday evening or you may choose another night more convenient. Please see Marilyn McAfee to volunteer. Thank you.

Fairgreen Golf League ~ Attention all you golfers! It's that time of year to start getting the clubs ready, as once again Fairgreen Church will be sponsoring a golf league. We are in need of 16 golfers, which will meet every Thursday starting April 26th through August 23rd at 10:00am at The Bedford Hills Golf Club on the corner of Jackman and Smith Rd. There is a sign up sheet located on the church office door. The green fees are 9 holes: \$10 w/o cart; \$17.50 w/cart; 18 holes: \$13 w/o cart; \$23.50 w/cart. This is a great opportunity for some good fellowship, fun, and much needed exercise after the winter months. So come on out and join us!

Memories ~ Remember your loved ones who have gone to be with the Lord by expressing your love ANYTIME with a memorial contribution to Fairgreen Church.

One Great Hour of Sharing ~ We will be taking up a special offering for One Great Hour of Sharing on Easter Sunday April 8th. You will find the envelopes for this offering in the pews.



WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us. **Please stop by the Welcome Center right after service. We have a special gift for you.**

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning. **PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/CONCERNS** on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the 9:15 service, and added to the Prayer Chain.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

TAPES OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON are available. Contact the church office or Art Sattler.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her home (419-534-3739).

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April 8, 2007



JOHN 20:18



Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand." † indicates when latecomers may be seated.



EASTER SUNDAY

PRELUDE Shannon Smith
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign fellowship book found in pews.
Christ has risen!
Christ has risen indeed!

SILENT REFLECTION
Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your Son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him. Grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to a life of joy, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GATHER IN THE GARDEN IN GOD'S NAME

CHORAL INTROIT "Glory" Geneva Choir
AN EASTER CONFESSION Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer
My friends, why are you here? Your friend Jesus - didn't he die on Friday? Is there really any reason for you to gather here this day in his name?

We come because we believe that he has risen. We come despite our doubts and our fears. We come despite our occasional straying. We come on bended knees, asking God's forgiveness. We come believing that God loves us.

Let us prepare our hearts.
We come, dear Lord, seeking your forgiveness, confident of your love, trusting in your promises. Forgive our sins and enable us to be your disciples, living in our world for the living Christ.

God is gracious and ready to forgive us. God grants us mercy for Jesus' sake. Your faith is well founded. You are forgiven. You have been set free to worship and service the Lord!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #469

"Morning Has Broken"

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9-15, 2007

Monday, April 9 ~ Office Closed; Deacons meeting 7pm in lounge; Adult Volleyball 7-9pm Commons
Tuesday, April 10 ~ Session meeting 7pm in lounge
Wednesday, April 11 ~ Staff meeting 10am in lounge; Lectionary Bible Study 7-8:30pm in lounge
Thursday, April 12 ~ Lectionary Bible Study 11am in lounge; Potluck lunch at 12:15pm in Commons; New Seasons Bible Study 6pm; Choir practice 6pm; Praise Band practice 7:30pm
Friday, April 13 ~ Food Pantry 10-12pm
Saturday, April 14 ~ Men's Prayer Breakfast 8-9am in lounge; Youth Team meeting 9:30am; Food Distribution 9:30-10:30am; Memorial service for Ernie Knauf at 11am in the sanctuary followed by a luncheon in the Commons
Sunday, April 15 ~ Emmaus Sunday; 9:15 & 11:30am services with Communion served at second service; Great Banquet Team meeting from 2:30-6:00pm; Great Banquet Board meeting at 4:30pm and Gathering at 6pm

Information for the Newsletter should be received by the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Visit THE CARD TABLE in the narthex to sign or request cards to remember members of the Fairgreen family.

Are you in need of prayer? The FAIRGREEN PRAYER CHAIN is here for you. Call Leone Sattler at 419-474-1723 or Darlene in the church office at 419-475-4436 or indicate that you have a request for the Prayer Chain on your Prayer card.

Next Week ~ Second Sunday of Easter

Texts: Acts 5: 27-32; Psalm 118: 14-29; John 20: 19-31 or Luke 24: 13-35

Communion will be celebrated at both services.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

EASTER GARDEN

this Word
 who squeezed
 the vowels of chaos into this rough world,
 who spit
 and filled the oceans,
 who wrote on the ground,
 carving the Grand Canyon;
 daffodils lift their faces to
this Light,
 while grass races toward it like a wave;
 trees cup their leaves to catch
this Water,
 clapping with delight at the rich banquet;
this playful Poet
 who gives
 whiskers to kittens,
 skipping hearts to lambs,
 canticles to frogs;
this Breath
 blowing into our grandparents' nostrils;
this One...
 is the Gardener!

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***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Tim Eichenauer, Liturgist

Sing a new song - a song full of incredible joy, gracious healing and comfort for those who mourn.

Sing praise to God - sing a strong song of springtime glory and sunny renewal.

Sing loud and clear for God brings rainbows after storms, butterflies after cocoons.

Let all the waterfalls clap their hands and the mountains and hills ring out gladness.

For Christ is risen and rules the world with truth and grace.

Heaven and nature sing for the Savior reigns, and the wonders of God's love are everywhere.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #123**

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Rev. Pat

Children will remain in the church service with their parents. There will be No Kids for Christ today.

LITANY OF ALLELUIAS

The woman went and found the stone was rolled away.

(Quietly) Alleluia!

Don't be afraid!

(Little louder) Alleluia!

Jesus is not here - he has been raised!

(Loud) Alleluia!

Look, here is where the body was!

(Louder) Alleluia!

God and tell the others that he has been raised!

(Really loud) Alleluia!

Christ is risen!

(Shouting) Alleluia!

Christ is risen indeed!

(Wildly ecstatic) Alleluia!

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION ~
FIRST READING **Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24** Tim Eichenauer, Liturgist
pg.956 (OT) in the pew bible

ANTHEM **"Cannon of Praise"** Geneva Choir

SECOND READING **John 20: 11-18** pg.1686 (NT) in the pew bible
SERMON **"Encounters with Christ ~
Jesus and Mary Magdalene"** Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer

OUR RESPONSE

*HYMN #106 "Alleluia! Give Thanks"

*AN EASTER AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God...

Who brings sunshine after rain and works healing in the midst of pain; who looks into each soul with love, touches each memory with blessing and longs for us to know we are beloved; who splashes the world with springtime color and fills the air with the singing of birds and the roar of oceans; who meets us at the tomb of our fears and sends us out with hope and joy.

We believe in Jesus...

The risen Christ, the friend of the forgotten, Savior of the world; who loves us without judgment yet persuades us to change; who joins us as we walk and work with the poor and the oppressed; who befriends us when we feel lonely, surprises us when we feel bored, prods us when we get complacent; who loves all children, dances with the elderly, shows compassion to the dying and blesses the breaking of bread.

We believe in the Holy Spirit...

Who weaves us into communities of faith for all ages, nations and races; who is the stillness in every silence, the breath in every deep sigh, the love in every tender embrace.

We believe we are called to be an Easter people...

Challenging despair with glowing hope, acting peacefully in the midst of painful Good Fridays and living joyfully even in the midst of harsh realities.

We believe in the church...
The handholding, heartily singing and passionate, caring fellowship of believers.

This we believe.

This we believe! Alleluia! Amen!

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD Tim Eichenauer
(including our One Great Hour of Sharing Offering)

OFFERING
ANTHEM **"Anthem for Resurrection"** Geneva Choir

*DOXOLOGY #593

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Tim Eichenauer

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts) pg.16 in the hymnal (traditional)

ANTHEM **"Hallelujah Chorus" (G.F. Handel)** Geneva Choir
(You are invited to come up and join us as we sing; music will be available)

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE— "May The Lord"

**May the Lord, mighty God,
bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace,
courage in every endeavor.**

**Lift up your eyes and see God's face,
full of grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty God,
bless and keep you forever.**

POSTLUDE Shannon Smith