

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 12, 2026 – 11:00 am

* Those that are able and comfortable standing please stand.

Prelude: I Come To the Garden

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: We gather for worship, bringing our fears, doubts, and weary hearts.

People: Yet Christ comes among us and stands in our midst.

Leader: Where we are anxious, he speaks peace. Where we are broken, he breathes new life.

People: "Peace be with you," he says again and again.

Leader: The risen Lord is here—not to condemn, but to send, to restore, to renew.

People: We receive his peace. We welcome his Spirit. Let us worship the risen Christ!

*Hymn **Crown Him with Many Crowns** #45

Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God, you have made known to us the ways of life. Yet, too often, we put other things above you and turn away from the ways of life and toward the ways of death. Forgive us and guide us back into your presence, that we may know the fullness of joy. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession/Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

*Gloria Patri **Glory Be to the Father** #813

Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Children's Sermon

Scripture Reading: **John 20: 19-31**

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon:

**Before the Dawn: Finding Resurrection Through Death
"Dying to Fear and Doubt" Rev. Diane Flynn**

*Hymn **Be Thou My Vision** #562

Affirmation of Faith:

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross.

Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Leader: God of resurrection,

People: Keep us in faith that we may have life.

Offering

*Hymn **Doxology** #815

*Prayer of Dedication for the Offering

Gracious and loving God, we bring our offerings to you in celebration and thanksgiving for the good news of Easter. Give us your wisdom and grace to use what you have given us for ministries of love and compassion that will share the love of Jesus Christ. Accept what we give in response to what you have so freely given to us, the indescribable gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Hymn **The Solid Rock** #526

Benediction

Postlude: This Is My Father's World



Serving This Sunday, 4/12

Liturgist: Keith Hare; **Sound Room:** Becky Mahon

Coffee Fellowship: Gaye Gibson

Serving Next Sunday, 4/19

Liturgist: Gaye Gibson; **Sound Room:** Becky Mahon

Coffee Fellowship: Sandy Noland

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, April 12

9:15 a.m. – Adult Bible Study
10:15 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship
11:00 a.m. – Worship Service
Session Meeting after Worship

THURSDAY, April 16

10:00 a.m. – Good Morning Bible Study

SATURDAY, April 18

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – PCP Garage Sale

SUNDAY, April 19

9:15 a.m. – Adult Bible Study
10:15 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship
11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

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- Thank you to Katherine Stuart for serving as our guest musician today. We appreciate your ministry to us.
 - We are seeking volunteers for the PCP Garage Sale on April 18th. Please see the flyers in the sanctuary for details.
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Starting Strong Apartment Supplies: We are collecting supplies to provide for foster youth transitioning into adult life. Place your donations in the laundry basket in the sanctuary. We will be delivering at the end of April. If you are out shopping, consider blessing foster youth in this way.



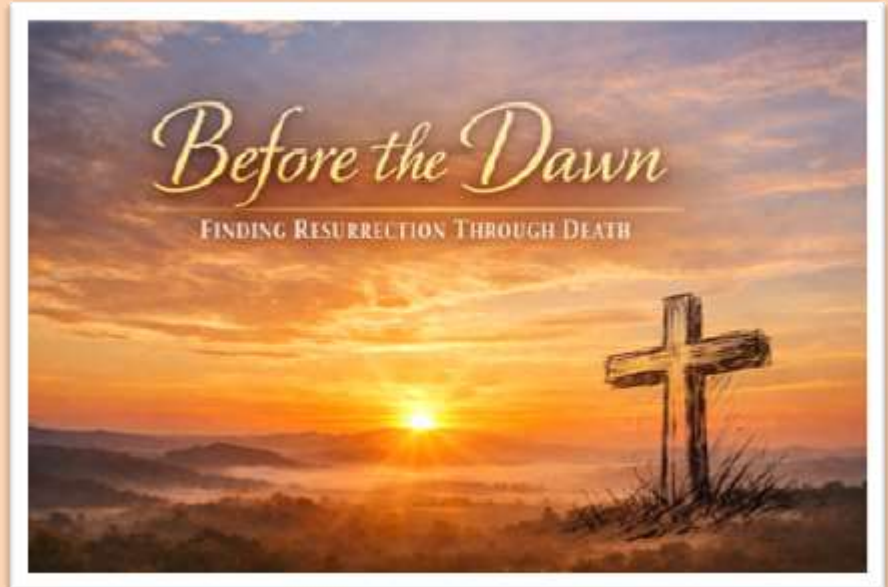
Cleaning Supplies: Clorox Wipes, Multipurpose Cleaners, Toilet Brush/Bowl Cleaner, Sponge, Broom/Dustpan, Trash Can, Dish Soap, Bucket, Dish Towels

Paper Supplies: Trash Bags, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Tissues

Laundry Supplies: Basket/Laundry Bag, Detergent, Dryer Sheets

Household Items: Plastic Cups/Bowls/Plates, Cooking Utensils, Can Opener, 2 or 3 Qt. Saucepan, Non-Stick Skillet, Baking Sheet, Strainer, Measuring Cups, Bath Towels, Pillows
Hygiene Items: Toothbrush/Paste, Comb, Hairbrush, Body Wash, Shower Puff, Shampoo/Conditioner, Razors, Lotion, Hand Soap, Deodorant, Band-Aids, Tylenol/Advil

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Before the Dawn:

Finding Resurrection Through Death

“Dying to Fear and Doubt”

Rev. Diane C. Flynn

April 12, 2026

11:00 a.m.

65 N. Third St.

Newark, OH 43055

Chris Rainey, Worship Elder