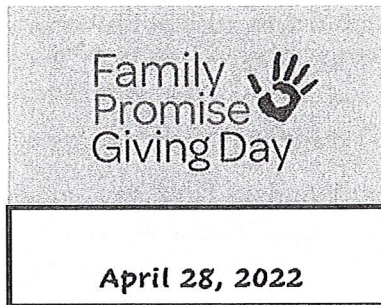




1. **In 2021**, Family Promise provided Emergency Shelter for 53 people, 4977 bed-nights, 14,931 meals, average length of stay 97 days, and prevented 102 families from becoming homeless with rental assistance.

2. **Family Promise Day of Giving** (online) is **Thursday, April 28, 2022**, with all proceeds funding the HUMI Challenge Grant. HUMI is a nonprofit organization working with communities to fund and create programs to help families facing a housing crisis.



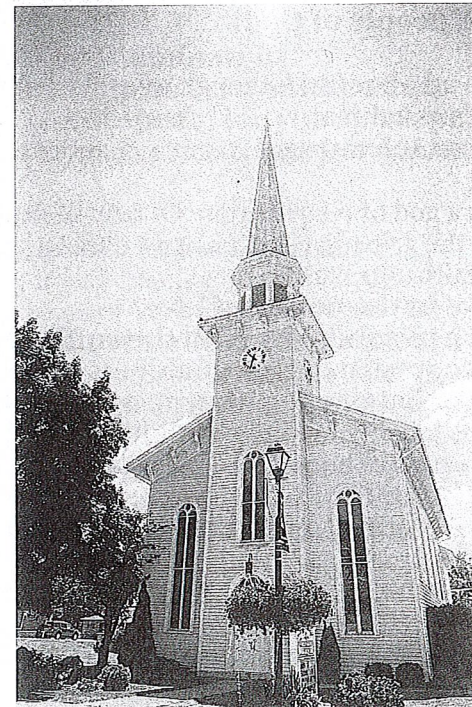
3. **Bed Race: July 30th** volunteer opportunities! Looking for couples volunteers to help organize and run the Bed Race in Canandaigua. Leadership will be provided to help set-up tables, display signs, log in race participants, and run the race. Also, looking for a team of 5 to run the race with a VFPC pre-made bed. Event runs that Saturday morning from approx. **8am-12pm**.

See Rich Cromwell for details.

<https://www.familypromiseontariocounty.org/>

# First Presbyterian Church IN VICTOR

**WHOEVER YOU ARE.  
HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME.  
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.**



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Pastor Nick Dorland  
Organist Ayn Patrowicz



**Order of Worship**  
**2nd Sunday of Easter**  
**\*Please stand if you are able.**

**April 24th, 2022, 10am**

**Prelude**

Prelude in C Major by J.S. Bach

**Welcome & Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

God is calling us, out of the places we hide, out of insecurity,  
out of shame.

Out from under that which silences love and justice.

**Come out, people of God!**

Though we may be afraid, though we will be at risk, though the  
cross stands as a threat:

**God calls us to courage!**

Our God is a god of resurrection. Of new life after devastation.  
Of hope in the grip of evil. And so we dare to proclaim, with  
pride and faith, our truths:

**We believe in the power of love.**

**We believe in solidarity with the suffering.**

**We believe we are each valuable.**

**We believe that our togetherness is transformative.**

The world is longing for Holy truths that reveal, voices that  
speak real words of hope.

**Come out, people of God!**

(<https://enfleshed.com/liturgy/calls-to-worship>)

**\*Opening Hymn #464**

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**O Lord our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but  
we remain silent in the presence of evil. You call us to  
be reconciled to you and one another, but we are  
content to live in separation. You call us to seek the  
good of all, but we fail to resist the powers of  
oppression. You call us to fight pretensions and  
injustice, but we sit idly by, endangering the lives of  
people far and near. Forgive us, O Lord. Reconcile us  
to you by the power of your Spirit, and give us the  
courage and strength to be reconciled to others;  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only  
Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns  
in power for us, Christ prays for us.

**Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.**

**The old life has gone; a new life has begun.**

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**Moment for All Ages**

**Unison Prayer for Illumination**

**Lord God, help us turn our hearts to you and hear  
what you will speak, for you speak peace to your  
people through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**Scripture Reading**

**John 20:19-31**

**Jesus Appears to the Disciples**

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week,  
and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were  
locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them  
and said, “Peace be with you.” 20 After he said this, he showed  
them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when  
they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with  
you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” 22 When he had  
said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the  
Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven  
them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

**Jesus and Thomas**

24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve,  
was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples  
told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them,  
“Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my  
finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will  
not believe.”

26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and  
Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus  
came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with  
you.” 27 Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see  
my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not  
doubt but believe.” 28 Thomas answered him, “My Lord and  
my God!” (cont.)



## Scripture (cont.)

29 Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

### The Purpose of This Book

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. 31 But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

## Sermon

"Peace and Breath"

## Hymn of Response GTG #821

"My Life Flows On"

## Offering

### \*Doxology

### \*Unison Prayer of Dedication

**Ever-giving God, source of all goodness and charity, your ear is always open to our needs. When we cry to you, you are faithful and provide for us. With joy we bring our thanksgiving. For all your mercies, we return to you from our abundance. All that we give, we dedicate to your glory. All that we keep, we commit to your care, for we are only stewards of your bounty. Bless what we give and what we keep, for all is your creation. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Gracious God, we pray for the faithful all over the world, that all who love you may be united in your service.

We pray for the church . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for the peoples and leaders of the nations, that they may be reconciled one to another in pursuit of your justice and peace.

We pray for the world . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who suffer from prejudice, greed, or violence, that the heart of humanity may warm with your tenderness.

We pray especially for all prisoners of politics or religion and for all refugees.

We pray for all who are oppressed . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.** (cont.)

## Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (cont.)

We pray for all in need because of famine, flood, or earthquake, that they may know the hope of your faithfulness through the help of others.

We pray especially for the people of . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for the land, the sea, the sky— for your whole creation, which longs for its redemption. We pray that we may live with respect for your creation and use your gifts with reverence.

We pray for the creation . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who suffer the pain of sickness, loneliness, fear, or loss, that those whose names are in our hearts, in the hearts of others, or known to you alone, may receive strength and courage.

We pray for those in need . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God of compassion, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy now and forever...

### \*Closing Song #371

"Lift High the Cross"

### \*Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

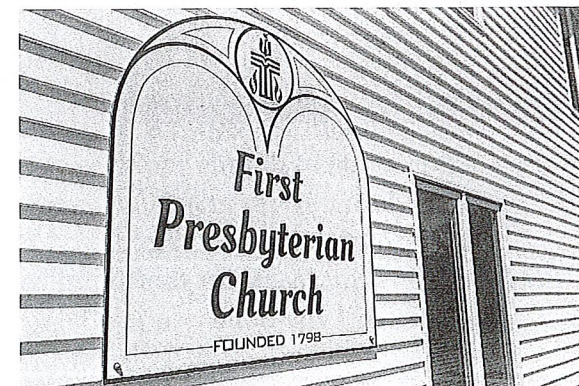
The Lord be kind and gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**Alleluia!**

## Postlude

Jubilation by G.F. Handel, arr. by Hal Hopson





*Thank you to these members who are  
helping with worship today-*

**AV: Bill Martz**

**Liturgist: Beverly Frost**

**Greeters & Fellowship Hour:**

**Barb Cromwell & Nancy Fisher**

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## Church Calendar

### Sunday, April 24

10:00 am          Worship  
11:15 am          Fellowship Hour  
11:30 am          Youth Group @VUMC  
7:30 pm            A.A. & Al Anon

### Tuesday, April 26

10:00 am          Free Panera

### Thursday, April 28

Family Promise \*virtual Day of Giving

### Friday, April 29

7:00 pm            A.A. Meeting

Announcements and calendar of events  
can also be found in our weekly **eNews!**

### Winter Office Hours

Office: Monday- Thursday 9am-1pm  
office@victorpres.org

Pastor Nick: Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm  
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### PER CAPITA 2022

Per capita for 2022 is **\$35.58** per member. Per capita is a fixed annual expense of our church to support the work of our Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church USA. If possible, we ask you to please make a contribution to support these important works. Member support for this cost is greatly appreciated any time in 2022.

# Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee 464

HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7 D

Henry van Dyke, 1907; alt.

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824  
Adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867); alt.

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
2. All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heaven re - flect Thy rays,  
3. Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho - rus Which the morn-ing stars be-gan;

Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Open-ing to the sun a - bove.  
Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
Love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, Join - ing all in heav-en's plan.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the gloom of doubt a - way;  
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow-er-y mea-dow, flash-ing sea,  
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,

Giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day.  
Chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, Call us to re - joice in Thee.  
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun-ward In the tri-umph song of life.



## My Life Flows On

How Can I Keep from Singing?

1 My life flows on in end-less song, a-bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion.  
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.  
 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? I know my Sav - ior liv - eth.  
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.  
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?  
 What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.  
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

## Refrain

No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.

Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

In the *New York Observer* of August 7, 1868, this text was titled "Always Rejoicing," and was attributed to "Pauline T." This may well be where the Baptist pastor and musician to whom it is usually credited encountered the words that he later published with his tune.

## Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER 10.10 with refrain

George William Kitchin (1827-1912)

Sidney Hugo Nicholson, 1916

Rev. by Michael Robert Newbolt, 1916; alt.

Desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

*Refrain and Descant*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Till all the world a - dore

His sa - cred name.

Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.

*Fine*

1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,  
 2. Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied  
 3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 4. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

The Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
 Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died.  
 Your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.  
 Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

*Repeat Refrain*