PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAYREADER for this week is Ellie Buff.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week are Luke Falzone and Troy Wasylyk.

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY this week are MaryAnne and Douglas Gilbert.

THE FLOWERS this week are sponsored by Linda Schaller in honor of granddaughter, Sydney Schaller's, birthday.

DEACON for the month of May is Cindy Schrick.

Church Staff

Nicole VogelPastorJen CarmellaSecretaryLinda SchallerMusic DirectorBob LeeSextonSami CarmellaNursery Attendant

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

<u>Today</u> ~ Adult Ed, 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall

~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.

~ Bell rehearsal following worship

~ PATHWalk, 12:30 p.m.

<u>Wednesday</u> ~ Clergy meeting, 9:15 in the pavilion

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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May 2, 2021

4th Sunday in Easter Communion Sunday Service of the Lord's Day

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "At This Table" ARR. JIM LUCAS

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In Christ, we are made anew and filled with hope. In God, we belong to a new community, discovering we are friends, sisters and brothers. Through the Spirits work, the old ways have lost their appeal for we have turned to a new way of peace. Let us praise God today for turning us to this way of living peacefully.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord of the church, you call a broken people around your table: in times of disagreement teach us to listen, free us from prejudice and bind us to your way of peace; through Jesus Christ, who stands at the heart of our gathering. Amen

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT John 14:15-21 (Pg. 109)

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.

EPISTLE *Colossians 3:12-15 (Pg. 201)*

L: Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 494 "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

HOMILY Pastor Nicki

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

INVITATION

*POSTLUDE "He is Exalted" BY TWILA PARKS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION