



First Presbyterian Church



Church Office: Mon.-Tue. & Thur.-Fri. 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022, 11:00 AM

* Indicates that those who are able may stand

Bold type is spoken by the people.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY: Be Still My Soul ("Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10) *Music, Jean Sibelius
Arr. Jay Rouse
Beverly Cardinal, Pianist*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Chelsea Holland, Liturgist

ONE: Praise the Lord, all the earth!

ALL: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise the Lord in the heights.

ONE: Praise the name of the Lord, and the Lord's glory shall be praised,

ALL: for people near and people far, for people present and people to come, for the young and for those wise with age.

ONE: Come, let us praise the Lord; come, let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN:

For the Beauty of the Earth

#14

CALL TO & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: Because we are loved, we are called to turn to God in humility. We fall short of who God calls us to be, but we are never forsaken. In faith and with confidence as beloved children, let us confess our sin to God, saying...

ALL: Holy God, you command us to love one another, yet we hold grudges and refuse to work for peace. You command us to care for all of creation, yet we neglect the earth and abuse nature through carelessness. You command us to walk in the ways of Jesus, yet we too often walk our own way. Forgive us, O God. Guide us as we work toward a new heaven here on earth. Lead us to reconciliation and a vision for your beloved community, as we share your love with your people everywhere. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

*RESPONSE HYMN: Lord Have Mercy Upon Us #575

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: Believe the good news: Jesus loves us and forgives us and sets us free. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

*GLORIA PATRI #581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen!**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES *Katie Ory*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Acts 11:1-18 **P.122**

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Revelation 21:1-6 **P.244**

ONE: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: City Called Heaven *Aiden Hammons, solo
Ashley Francis, pianist*

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 13:32-35 **P.98**

SERMON *Rev. Michael McLaughlin*

*SERMON HYMN: We Are One In the Spirit **#300**

*COMMUNAL AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Confession of 1967, 9.26*

Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is the sign that God will consummate the work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ. Amen.

*GREETINGS

After an exchange of Peace between the Pastor and the Congregation, we encourage you to greet one another. The Greetings will conclude with the first verse of *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*.

ONE: ...The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

#306

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ONE: ... God of new life,

ALL: hear our prayer.

ALL: 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.

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERTORY:

Fairest Lord Jesus

Larry Shackley

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

#606

**ALL: 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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN:

In Christ There Is No East or West

#318

*BENEDICTION

ONE: ...Alleluia!

ALL: Alleluia!

POSTLUDE:

Villanella

Conrad Friedrich Hurlebusch

CALENDAR

SUNDAY CALENDAR

- **Religion and Culture Class** – 9:30-10:30am via Zoom.
- **Nursery** - 10:45am-12:15pm - Ages 5 and under, in the Fellowship Hall.

WEDNESDAY CALENDAR

- **Choir Practice** – 7:30pm - in the Sanctuary.
- **Bible Study** – 6pm in the Fellowship Hall, childcare available.

BIRTHDAYS:

GERMENIS, Alice	05/01	VANATTA, Jacquelyn	05/14
HOLLAND, Kadence	05/06	SMITH, Dina	05/18
MCCORMICK, Rachel	05/08	ANDERSON, Brady	05/19
NEIL, Mary Ann	05/09	HARRISON, Nathaniel	05/24
THURMOND, Emily	05/11	CARDINAL, Beverly	05/27
SCOTT III, James	05/12	COLLINSWORTH, Katie	05/30
RUDICH DURYEE, Sylvia	05/14	THURMAN, Aasta	05/31

STAFF:

The Rev. Michael D. McLaughlin.....	Pastor
Paul Thurmond.....	Director of Music
Amy Ainsley.....	Administrative Assistant
Virginia Kirby.....	SoulSong Coordinator
Katie Ory.....	Director of Children & Youth Ministry

ELDERS:

2022: Jeremy Germenis, Barry Turner, Donna Simpson
2023: Jon Dugle, John Nisbet, David Pelren
2024: Beverly Cardinal, Pat Wilhelm
CLERK OF SESSION: Linda Wilson

DEACONS:

2022: Chris McCormick, Alana Pelren, Erica Scott
2023: Myrna Estes, Ron Ledbetter, Amy Woods
2024: Sam Glasgow, Sidonie Sansom, Bob See

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