



# First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025



Sin → Punish → Repent → Transform  
Sin → Love → Transform → Repent

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## Order of Worship

Prelude

*Voluntary in D Minor*, op. 5, no. 8  
Bruce Stevens, organ

John Stanley

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

Introit

*O Thou, in Whose Presence*  
Chancel Choir

arr. Austin C. Lovelace

*O Thou, in whose presence my soul takes delight,  
on whom in affliction I call;  
my comfort by day, and my song in the night,  
my hope, my salvation, my all.*

*He looks, and ten thousands of angels rejoice,  
and myriads wait for His word;  
He speaks and eternity, filled with His voice,  
re-echoes the praise of the Lord.*

*Dear Shepherd! I hear, and will follow Thy call;  
I know the sweet sound of Thy voice;  
restore and defend me, for Thou art my All,  
And in Thee I will ever rejoice.*

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 145)

Rev. Josh Andrzejewski

One: All your works will praise you, O Lord

**All: and your people will bless you.**

They will tell of the glory of your reign

**and speak of your strength.**

You lift up those who are falling

**and raise up those who are oppressed.**

Our mouths will speak your praise, O Lord.

**May all creation bless your holy name.**

\*Hymn 804 (vv. 1-4)

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

MARION

\*Prayer of Confession

Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

**God, we confess that we have sinned in your sight. Despite our best efforts and intentions, we have failed to consistently live in ways that honor you. Forgive us. Through the grace of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, set us free from the grip of sin—from attitudes and actions that do not lead to life.**

\*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples

Cate Jobe

**\*Please rise in body or in spirit.**

*Children ages 3 years through 5th grade are invited to Children's Chapel.  
They may be picked up in the chapel following worship.*

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

Hymn 29 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

"O God, You Search Me and You Know Me"  
(Psalm 139 – selected verses)

O GOD, YOU SEARCH ME

Scripture Reading

Romans 7:15-18

NT p. 147

Sermon

"Paradox"

Anthem

*City Called Heaven*  
Chancel Choir; Jondra Harmon, mezzo-soprano

arr. Josephine Poelinitz

*I am a poor pilgrim of sorrow,  
I'm left in this old wide world alone!  
I ain't got no hope for tomorrow,  
I'm trying to make heaven my home.  
Sometimes I am tossed and driven, Lord;  
Sometimes I just don't know which way to turn.  
I hear of a city called heaven,  
I'm trying to make it my home.*

~ ad. Negro Spiritual

\*Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Josh Andrzejewski

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

\*Call to Offering

\*Doxology (Prayer of Thanksgiving)

OLD HUNDREDTH

**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.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Stephanie Hamilton

**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.**

\*Hymn 546

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”

SICILIAN MARINERS

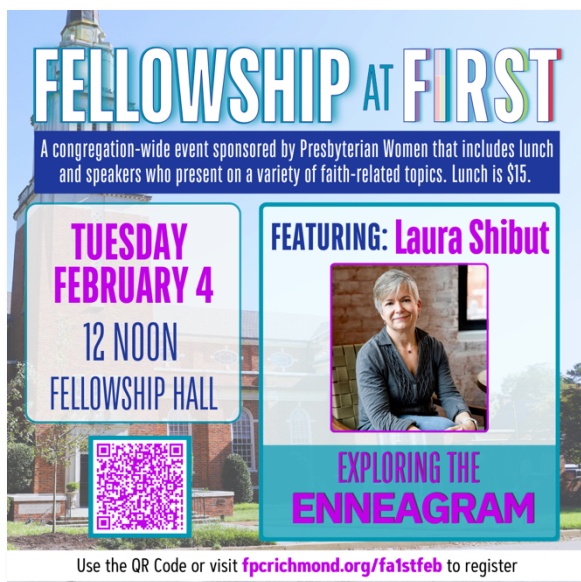
\*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

Postlude

“Dialogue sur les mixtures,” from *Suite Brève*

Jean Langlais



**This week's usher team includes:** Ken Horton, Madelyn Chewning, Becca Ott, Richard Ott

*If interested in serving as an usher, contact Ken Horton ([kmmfour@aol.com](mailto:kmmfour@aol.com)).*

**Elders at the doors:** Kayla Craddock, Ann Nickels, LaMont Noble

**Please keep in your prayers those with special concerns:**

- Christi Barranger, upcoming surgery
- Richard Cocke, health concerns
- Arnold Frederick, health concerns
- Vernon Glenn, health concerns
- Pat Lintner (*Christa Santos' father*), health concerns
- Bob McGann, health concerns
- John Miller, in treatment for brain cancer
- Barbara Mitchell (*Judy Noble's mother*), in hospice care
- Jane Neer, health concerns
- Byrd Newton (*Emily Laux's father*), health concerns
- Sue Parrish (*Kathy Nelson's mother*), health concerns
- Betty Proffitt (*Jenny Morris' mother*), health concerns
- Sandra Putbrese (*Cortland Putbrese's mother*), health concerns
- Yvonne Robertson (*Michelle Call's mother*), health concerns
- Marilyn Smart, health concerns
- Sharon Spencer, health concerns
- Percy Wootton, health concerns

**How can we pray for you?**

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