



First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 19th, 2025



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Order of Worship

Prelude "Andantino," from *Quartet in F, op. 3, no. 5* Franz Joseph Haydn
Bruce Stevens, organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

Introit *Come, You Disconsolate* arr. Samuel Webbe
Chancel Choir

*Come, you disconsolate, where'er you languish;
come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.
Here bring your wounded hearts,
here tell your anguish;
earth has no sorrows that heaven cannot heal.*

*Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,
hope of the penitent, fadeless and pure!
Here speaks the Comforter, in mercy saying,
"Earth has no sorrows that heaven cannot cure."*

~ Thomas Moore

*Call to Worship Rev. Stephanie Hamilton

One: The Lord's steadfast love never ends.

All: This we call to mind and have hope.

God's mercies never cease.

They are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.

The Lord is our portion.

Therefore, we will hope in God. With every breath we sing of God's mercy.

*Hymn 436 "God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us" O QUANTA QUALIA

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sin is too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples Cate Jobe & Ian Dayalsingh

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

Hymn 449 (vv. 1 & 2) "Show Us, O Lord, Your Steadfast Love" MENDON

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

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

Scripture Reading

Psalm 51:1-3, 15-17

OT pp. 492-493

Matthew 7:4-5

NT p. 6

Sermon

“Shadowboxing”

Anthem

“Go Not Far from Me, O God”

Noccolò Zingarelli

Chancel Choir

*Go not far from me, far from me, O God;
cast me not away in the time of age;
forsake me not when my strength faileth me.
O let my mouth be filled with Thy praise:
that I may sing Thy glory and honor all day long.*

~ Psalm 71:7-8, 10

*Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn; in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands, conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over barbed wire. We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our humanity, and loves us beyond all measure. We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place, into action, into vulnerability, and into the streets. We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves on the line; to bear responsibility, take risks, live powerfully, and face humiliation; to stand with those on the edge; to choose life and to be used by the Spirit for God’s new community of hope.

(From the Abbey Worship Book)

*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

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 39

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

FAITHFULNESS

*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

Postlude

Praeludium in G Minor

Dietrich Buxtehude

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This week's usher team includes: Ken Horton, Caley Cantrell, Sherry May, Steve May, Tara Modisett
If interested in serving as an usher, contact Ken Horton (ksmmfour@aol.com).

Elders at the doors: Christina Luxon, Ann Nickels, LaMont Noble

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in memory of Doris Schutz, beloved mother of Pamela Schutz Mann, by Mr. and Mrs. John Mann.

Please keep in your prayers those with special concerns:

- Christi Barranger, health concerns
- Michael Bland, recovering from knee replacement surgery
- Arnold Frederick, health concerns
- Vernon Glenn, health concerns
- Pat Lintner (*Christa Santos' father*), 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

Those Grieving:

- Susan and Jack Mountcastle on the death of Susan's brother, Skip Miller, on January 1.

Those Rejoicing:

- Sherry and Steve May on the birth of their grandson, Calvin Jon May, on December 28. Calvin's parents are Michael and Annabeth May.
- Antron and June Van Thoen on the birth of their granddaughter, Lily Maria Syhakhom, on January 12. Lily's parents are Lindsay and Phanousit Syhakhom.

How can we pray for you?

You can submit concerns and celebrations at fpcrichmond.org/prayer or let one of our pastors know.



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