



First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 27th, 2025



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Order of Worship

Prelude *Two Chorale Preludes: "Rorate Caeli"; "Attende Domine"* Jeanne Demessieux
Bruce Stevens, organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Stephanie Hamilton

Introit *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
Chancel Bells

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 118) Jeremy Meads

One: The Lord is our strength and our song.

All: God has become our salvation.

We shall not die, but we shall live.

Together, we declare the works of God.

On this day, the Lord has acted,

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*Hymn 257 "The Risen Christ" WOODLANDS

*Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all. Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples Cate Jobe

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

Hymn 462 (vv. 1 & 2) "I Love to Tell the Story" HANKEY

Prayer for Illumination Rev. Stephanie Hamilton

Scripture Reading Acts 5:27-32 NT p. 115

Sermon "What's Next: Jailhouse Rock"

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

*Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Josh Andrzejewski

Out of death came life, and God defeated evil: an empty cross and an empty tomb, a nail mark shown and a presence known. Out of sorrow came joy, and God sent the Spirit: coming like fire to all people and ages, coming to birth in the water of life. Out of difference came unity, and God's people were called: called to receive Christ in bread and wine, called to be free in the power of love. For when the Holy Spirit comes upon us, we will be filled with power, and be witnesses for Christ to the ends of the earth.

(From Iona Abbey Worship Book)

Anthem

All Through the Night
Chancel Bells

arr. Jason W. Krug

Call to Offering

Offertory

“Minuet gothique,” from *Suite Gothique*

Léon Boëllmann

*Doxology (Prayer of Thanksgiving)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (Hymnal p. 35)

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 295

“Go to the World!”

SINE NOMINE

*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Stephanie Hamilton

Postlude

Toccata on “O Blest Creator of the Light”

Flor Peeters



Waves of Wonder Vacation Bible School, July 7-10. Children will deepen their understanding of the importance of water and be invited to join God in caring for this precious natural resource through worship and drama, Bible study, art, science, explorations, and active games.

Save the date for **Jazz Under the Stars** on May 23 at 7pm. Bring a chair or blanket and come enjoy an evening of music, food, and fun. The event is free and open to all.

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This week's usher team includes: Jim Purser, Madelyn Chewning, Becca Ott, Richard Ott, Stephanie Purser

(If interested in serving as an usher, contact Ken Horton (ksmmfour@aol.com))

Elders at the doors: Heather Cooper, Eone Beck, Kathy Harris

Please keep in your prayers those with special concerns:

- Christi Barranger, health concerns
- Bev Berwick (*Jim Berwick's mother*), health concerns
- Sarah Campbell (*Kit and Pat Campbell's daughter*), health concerns
- Carol Collier, upcoming hip replacement surgery
- Belva Collins, educational work in Azerbaijan
- Dr. Jim Darden, hospitalized
- Anne Lintner (*Christa Santos' mother*), 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
- Rose Lane Nimmo, recovering from knee surgery
- Jacquie Nolley, 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
- Sharon Spencer, health concerns
- Amy Starr Redwine, health concerns

Those Grieving:

- Burton and Lisa Kunz on the death of Burton's father, John Kunz, on April 15.

We pray for members and family serving in the military:

Tripp Bowles, Jenny Sigel Burkett, Joshua Garber, Zach Kirk, Mason Louthan, Nathan Thomas Meade, Peyton Spivey, Pierce Tarry, and Will Watkins

How can we pray for you?

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