



First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 28th, 2024



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Order of Worship

Prelude	<i>Three Organ Chorales</i> Bruce Stevens, organ	Ernst Pepping
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Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Josh Andrzejewski
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Introit	<i>Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus</i> Chancel Choir	Helen H. Lemmel
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*Call to Worship

One: You break in, O God,

All: while we are on the road to someplace else.

You break in, O God,

through the voices of those we least expect.

You break in, O God,

and change all our plans.

Break in, O God,

as we worship you now.

*Hymn 394	“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”	WESTMINSTER ABBEY
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*Prayer of Confession

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

*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples		Cate Henderson
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*Children ages 3 years through 5th grade are invited to Children's Chapel.
They may be picked up in the Chapel following worship.*

Hymn 29 (vv. 1, 4)	“O God, You Search Me”	O GOD, YOU SEARCH ME
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Prayer for Illumination		Rev. Derek Starr Redwine
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Scripture Reading	Acts 9:1-19	NT pp. 119-120
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Sermon	“Presbyopia”	
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***Please rise in body or in spirit.**

Anthem

“God So Loved the World,” from *The Crucifixion*
Chancel Choir

John Stainer

*God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whoso believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;
but that the world through him might be saved.*

*Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

We are not alone; we live in God’s world. We believe in God, who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, to reconcile and make new. We trust in God, who calls us to be the church; to love and serve others; to seek justice and resist evil; to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. We affirm that there is more to life than what can be seen and that by the Spirit’s presence, God is giving us what we need to be faithful and brave. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

(Adapted from the United Church of Canada)

Call to Offering

Offertory

“Andante,” from *Organ Concerto No. 1 in G*

G. F. Handel

*Doxology (Prayer of Thanksgiving)

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**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

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”

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Congregational Meeting

Postlude

Fugue in D Minor

Georg Böhm

The Session has called a congregational meeting today after worship for the purpose of dissolving the pastoral call between First Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Mary Kay Collins. We are so glad Mary Kay is here today along with many members of her family: children Maya, Alex, and Charlie (and Charlie’s girlfriend Kait); parents Charlie and Mary Scott; sisters Christy and Holly; brother Chuck and his wife Julie; nephew Chad, his wife Allie, and their new baby. **There will be a farewell reception following worship in the Fellowship Hall.**

Scan the QR code to be directed to the Outreach Recruitment Drive, where you can scroll through a list of options to discover how you can join others in faithful service. There is an outreach opportunity for every schedule and skill set. Contact Pastor Derek Starr Redwine if you have questions or would like more information.



Presbyterian Women's
ANNUAL DAY
May 7 | 11AM

Mike Sisler, guest speaker •
FPC Worship Band • New Officer
Installation • Honorary Life
Member Presentation

Register at
tinyurl.com/PWAnnualDay24
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Guest Speaker: Mike Sisler
FPC's Worship Band Leader

FPC's Worship Band

DISCOVER FIRST

Sunday, May 5
3:30pm

This is a class for anyone who wants to learn more about First Presbyterian Church. Maybe you are ready to join our congregation, or maybe you are still seeking and just want to learn a bit more about our church, well, this class is for you!

After the class, participants will have the option to become members.

Visit fpcrichmond.org/discover
or use QR code to sign up.

This week's usher team includes: Jim Purser, Stephanie Purser, Alison Herring, Richard Ott, Becca Ott, Madelyn Chewning
If interested in serving as an usher, contact Ken Horton (kmmfour@aol.com)

Elders at the doors: Heather Cooper, Shep Haw

Please keep in your prayers those with special concerns:

- Kay Barr (*Deborah Miller's mother*), recovering from complications of a fall
- Bobby Cobb, health concerns
- Betty Elliott (*Stanley Elliott's mother*), health concerns
- Hannah Gray, health concerns
- Cynthia Hintze, health concerns
- Nellie Kashiwabara-Martin, health concerns
- Lawrence Mauck (*Becky and Newby Mauck's son*), recovering from surgery
- Kaylyn McGhee, health concerns
- Barbara Mitchell (*Judy Noble's mother*), in hospice care
- Jane Neer, health concerns
- Byrd Newton (*Emily Laux's father*), health concerns
- Betty Proffitt (*Jenny Morris' mother*), health concerns
- Dorn Scherer, health concerns
- Ray Slabaugh, health concerns
- Sharon Spencer, health concerns
- Lynda Starr, recovering from knee surgery
- Rob Stephens, health concerns
- Percy Wootton, health concerns
- Rebecca Wurst, cancer treatment

Those Grieving:

- Ben and Liz Bruni on the death of Ben's mother, and Nell Bruni on the death of her grandmother, Nancy Bruni on April 19.

Those Rejoicing:

- Nellie and Ash Kashiwabara-Martin on the birth of their child, Richard "Richie" Wayne Kashiwabara-Martin on April 15.

We pray for members and family serving in the military:

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

How can we pray for you?

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