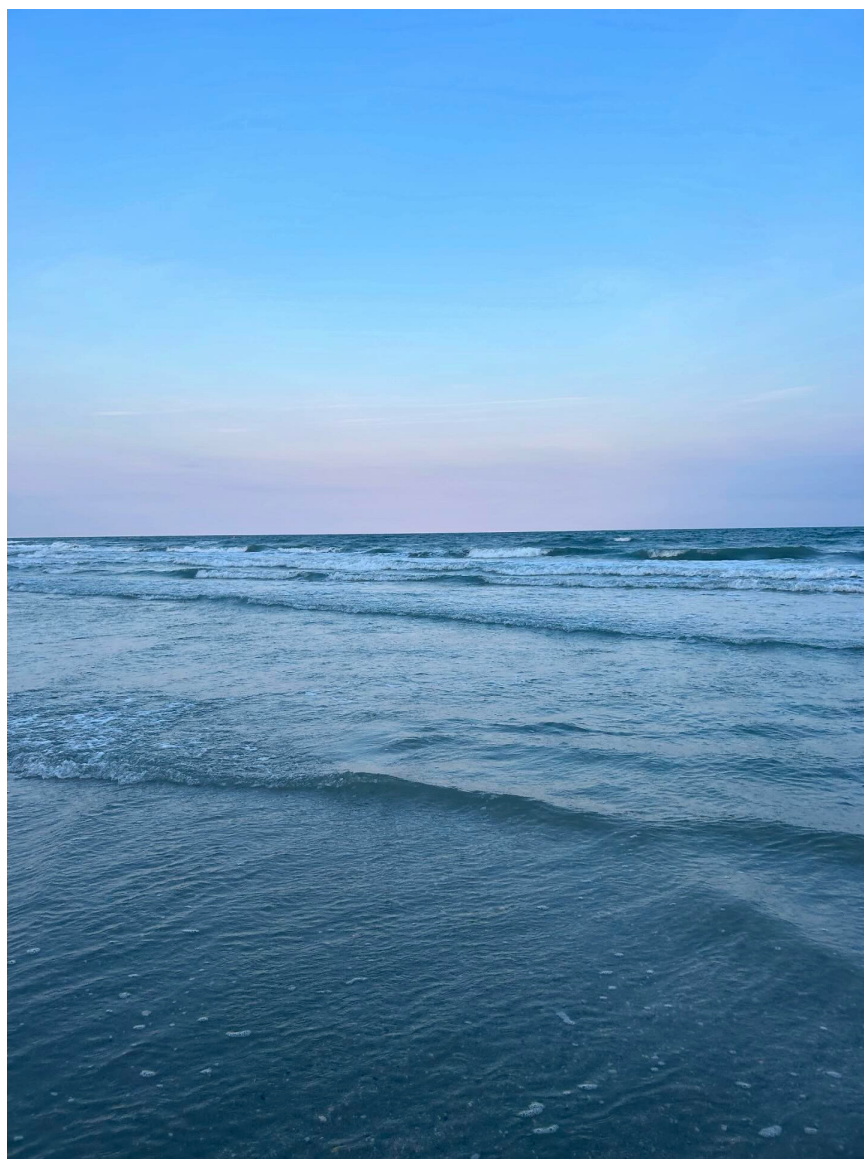




# First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024



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## Order of Worship

Prelude *Sonata in G Major* Padre Antonio Soler  
Bruce Stevens, organ

Welcome and Announcements Jason N. Brown

Introit *God Welcomes All* South African Song; arr. John Bell

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;  
God's love is strong and it never ends.**

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 96:1-2) Rev. Nicole Ball  
One: O sing to the Lord a new song  
**All: sing to the Lord, all the earth.**  
Sing, and give praise to God's name;  
**tell the glad news of salvation from day to day. Let us worship together.**

\*Hymn 353 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" SOLID ROCK

\*Prayer of Confession  
**Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

\*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples Cate Henderson

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

Anthem *In Christ Alone* Getty/Krauss  
Kathy Harris, mezzo-soprano

Prayer for Illumination Rev. Nicole Ball

Scripture Reading Ephesians 3:14-21 NT p. 182

Sermon "Reimagining Blessing"

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

\*Affirmation of Faith (from *Brief Statement of Faith*)

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Anthem	<i>He's Got the Whole World in His Hand</i> Fredrick Newhouse, tenor	arr. Margaret Bonds
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Call to Offering		Jason N. Brown
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Offertory	<i>Ronde Française</i>	Léon Boëllmann
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*Doxology (Prayer of Thanksgiving)	<b>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.</b>	OLD HUNDREDTH
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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 772	"Live into Hope"	TRURO
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*Charge and Benediction		Rev. Nicole Ball
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Postlude	<i>Choral Song</i>	Samuel Sebastian Wesley
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**Summer Choir** will gather in the chancel at 9:30am on Sundays during August to prepare music for worship each week. No auditions necessary, just come and sing. For more information, contact Jason Brown.

**Dinners for Eight** begins this fall. Participants will build meaningful relationships while having intentional conversations about faith. The dinners will be a ninety-minute potluck in a group member's home. Staff will provide prompts to facilitate conversation. Register at [www.tinyurl.com/dinners8](http://www.tinyurl.com/dinners8).

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**This week's usher team includes:** Jim Purser, Madelyn Chewning, Cathy Danford, Connie Gottwald, Becca Ott, and Richard Ott

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

**Elders at the doors:** Gary Barranger, Eone Beck, and Christina Luxon

**Flowers in the Sanctuary** are given in memory of Virginia Foster by her loving family.

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

- Nancy Bain, health concerns
- Ricky Fay, recovering from surgery
- Vernon Glenn, health concerns
- Nancy Gottwald, recovering from a fall
- Robert Herring (*Alison Herring's brother*), health concerns
- Robert Holland, healing from pneumonia
- Barbara Jones, health concerns
- Richard Madden, health concerns
- Julie Magrath, recovering from hip replacement surgery
- 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
- Liese Rohr, health concerns
- Ray Slabaugh, health concerns
- Marilyn Smart, recovering from a fall
- Sharon Spencer, health concerns
- Dominic Ucci (*Julie Magrath's grandson*), recovering from surgery
- Percy Wootton, health concerns

### 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?

You can submit concerns and celebrations at [fpcrichmond.org/prayer](https://fpcrichmond.org/prayer) or let one of our pastors know.



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