



First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 26th, 2023



Love Is the Most Ancient Law by Jan Richardson

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Order of Worship

Prelude

Organ Chorale on “Now Thank We All Our God,” BWV 657
Bruce Stevens, organ

J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

Introit

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

James Ellor

*Call to Worship

Rev. Josh Andrzejewski

One: What does the Lord require of us?

All: To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.

What does God command of us?

To love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Let us worship God.

*Hymn 263

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

CORONATION

*Prayer of Confession

We cannot take it with us, but we try. We try to take it all; hold it all; save it all. We live in fear of scarcity instead of trusting in your abundance. In your mercy, O God, teach us to let go and trust that with you there is enough.

*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples

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

Hymn 336 (vv. 1-2)

“We Gather Together”

KREMSER

**We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.**

**Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!**

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

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

Scripture Reading

Exodus 20:1-17
Colossians 1:15-19

OT pp. 63-64
NT p. 188

Sermon

“First”

Anthem

Lift Up Your Heads
Chancel Choir; Jason N. Brown, tenor

Emma Louise Ashford

Call to Offering

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

Offertory

Chorale Improvisation on “Now Thank We All Our God”

Sigfried Karg-Elert

*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 643

“Now Thank We All Our God”

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*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Amy Starr Redwine

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God, from Cantata 79

J. S. Bach



Pick up the newest FPSeasons to learn all the ways you can join us this Advent season and see what is planned for J-Term.

Take a look, take a book!

Have you thought about doing a Bible study? Want to start a small group? What about some books to read for pleasure about your faith and church? We may have the books for you! While at church today, look at the selection of books displayed in the Commons area by the parking lot entrance and take what you like!



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

Elders at the doors: Shep Haw, Ann Nickels, LaMont Noble

Please keep in your prayers those with special concerns:

- Sue Betts, recovering from hip replacement surgery
- Carter Brenaman, health concerns
- Nancy Bruni (*Ben Bruni's mother*), cancer treatment
- Bobby Cobb, health concerns
- Hannah Gray, health concerns
- Cynthia Hintze, health concerns
- Kay Grinnan, health concerns
- Jay Johnston, health concerns
- Joyce Lloyd (*Rachael Brown's mother*), cancer treatment
- Mason Louthan, flying F/A-18s on USS Gerald R Ford in eastern Mediterranean, deployment extended
- Barbara Mitchell (*Judy Nobles mother*), in hospice care
- Jane Neer, health concerns
- Karen Sigel, recovering from back surgery
- Ray Slabaugh, health concerns
- Sharon Spencer, health concerns

Those Grieving:

- Ed and Alice Rivas on the sudden death of Ed's daughter, Joan Rivas, on November 9.

We pray for members and family serving in the military:

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

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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