



# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

APRIL 26, 2026 | 10:30AM

## DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

### GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

*In this church we foster fellowship and relationships. Before the welcome feel free to move around and greet one another.*

### WELCOME

The Lord is Risen! **He is Risen indeed!**

### PRELUDE

10,000 REASONS

RODMAN/MYRIN

### ✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me,

**Bless his holy name.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**And do not forget all his benefits –**

Who forgives all your iniquity,

**Who deals all your diseases,**

Who redeems your life from the pit,

**Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

Who satisfies you with good as long as you live

**So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

### ✦ PRAISE HYMN

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME (THE SUMMONS)

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### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of mercy, you know us and you call us by name. Yet so often we fail to live into the hope that you intend for us. You entrust us with the beauty of your creation, but we pollute the land and water and cut down the trees that fill our lungs with fresh**

**air. Instead of caring for all of your children, we wage war against those with whom we disagree, fighting for power, influence and resources while the innocent suffer.**

**We fail to care for those who are different from us - whether by the color of their skin, their country of origin, or who they love. We forget that in the chaos of our**

**lives, we are not alone. Forgive us for our forgetfulness and for the ways in which we fail to work towards your perfect vision for our world and our lives.**

**Help us to remember that you are with us always, parting the**

**waters to lead us safely onward. Amen. (We continue to pray in silence...) Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

✦ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

**We invite you to fill out the fellowship pads** with your information so we can be in fellowship with you!

### Confession:

Having praised the holiness of God, we must also face the sinful state of the world and of our lives, confessing our unworthiness to enter into God's presence. Nevertheless, we approach God with confidence, trusting in the mercy of Jesus Christ. This turn from communal praise to corporate confession, established on the promise of God's grace, is one of the hallmarks of the Reformed Tradition.

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,  
whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

✦ **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**  
Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

MARK 4:35-5:1

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM**

*THE POTTER'S HAND*

*ARR. LLYOD LARSON*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

JOSHUA 3:5-8, 3:12-4:7

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

✦ **SERMON HYMN**

*TODAY WE ARE ALL CALLED TO BE*

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**DISCIPLES RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD**

✦ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**I know I am a child of God. I am forgiven and God will never leave me.  
There are many things I have to earn, but God's love is not one of them.  
Through faith, I know that I always have someone who cares for me, forgives me and  
will always love me. I believe that Jesus protects us in many ways - he died and rose  
from the dead. He taught the people of his time, and was humble.  
Jesus is my Lord and Savior because he taught people how to love each other.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, who dwells in our hearts and souls and minds. The active  
presence of our God, who teaches, heals and guides.**

We invite you to use this time to enter into conversation, and see where Christ's peace is moving in another's life.

Sermon Notes:

Next Week's Readings:  
Prov 4:10-18  
Psalm 119:9-32  
1 Peter 2:2-10  
John 14:1-14

**I believe that the Bible is the story of God. I believe that the church is the acting body of Christ, and helps to carry out God's will. I believe that the church welcomes everyone no matter who they are, what they look like, or how they act. I believe that spending time in a church is a healing and comforting experience, being surrounded by God's love and God's people. I know that because I believe, I have a special calling to praise the Lord and plant his seeds. Amen.**

## **BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION**

## **POINTS OF MINISTRY**

### **OFFERTORY**

### **✠ DOXOLOGY**

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **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.**

## **DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD**

### **✠ SENDING HYMN**

*HERE I AM, LORD*

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### **✠ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

### **POSTLUDE**

## **WELCOME VISITORS**

A very special welcome to any visitors among us today. We sincerely hope that, when you leave us today, you have an abundant sense of love and welcome. Our pastor, A.J., would love to speak with you and your family if you have any questions about who we are as a family, and what we feel called to do and be in our neighborhood. You can reach him at [revmealor@gmail.com](mailto:revmealor@gmail.com). We hope that you have a blessed week and that you'll join us again.

### **Give Joyfully Cards:**

We give not only our money, but everything we have to God. Please read our Give Joyfully card in the pew rack. You may place it in the offering plate as a reminder to offer yourself to God this week.

You may give to the church digitally by using your camera to hover over the QR code below which will take you to our online giving page.



Worship Leaders:  
Katherine Mealor  
Rev. A.J. Mealor  
Phillip Ashley  
Karey Fowler  
Confirmation Class

Staff Singers:  
Espen Brante  
Julia Chaves  
Taylor Livingston  
Connor Mickey

## NEWS TO KNOW

### SUNDAY, APRIL 26:

#### CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

- 9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  
UNITY CIRCLE  
SESSION
- 10:30AM WORSHIP SERVICE  
(IN PERSON & YOUTUBE)
- 11:30AM FELLOWSHIP HOUR

### MONDAY, APRIL 27:

- 2:30PM BUNCO

### TUESDAY, APRIL 28:

- 4:30PM PWCT

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29:

- 6:30PM CHOIR

### SUNDAY, MAY 3:

#### MAY DAY CELEBRATION

#### COMMUNION SUNDAY

- 9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
- 10:30AM WORSHIP SERVICE  
(IN PERSON & YOUTUBE)
- 11:30AM MAY DAY CELEBRATION

Livestream is available on [YouTube](#).

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### CHURCH FAMILY

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|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Wanda Alford                 | Cecelia Novak | Larry Everett |
| Duane Woods                  | Dick Buys     | Tom Shields   |
| Fisher, Audree, & Josh Yaney | Lisa Bigham   |               |

### FRIENDS OF FAMILY

**Bob Roller**  
(Duane Woods)

**Kim McDaniel  
and Rosey Jones (friend)**  
(Jan Bell)

**Dan & Joanne Bohl, Ashley Moore**  
(Alice & Chuck Saunders)

**Ruth Jamieson**  
(Rita Schumm)

**Heather Bailey Ray & Lisa and Mrs.  
Kristine Joubert**  
(Lisa Bigham)

**Tim and Aunt Liz Williford,  
Chris Beers (neighbor)**  
(Cochran & Beth Keating)

**Nikita Mac**  
(Jamie Seidman McDonnell)

**Dan Mercer**  
(Beth & John Mercer)

**Charlie Sinclair**  
(Jane Fletcher)

**Carolyn Parsons**  
(Michele & David Reed)

**Shelia (niece)**  
(Louise Sadler)

**Minnie Lee Vann (mother)**  
(Gerome Brown)

**The Henderson Family**  
(Laura Beth Hall)

**Gloria Byard**  
(Joyce Blocker)

**Freightlin Cox, Kevin Sattler,**  
(Elaine Wilbur)

**Jill Dooley & Family,  
Tammy, Kim, Nureatha,  
Cathy, Gregory, Nancy**  
(Laura Harrison)

**MaryAnn King (mother),  
Thomas High, Scott Pusey,  
Patrice High-Pinder, Family of  
Ruth Davis (sister-in-law)**  
(Diane Bodenhamer)

**Karen & Joe Rodesta (cousins)**  
(Rita Sockman)

**Phil Ashley (father), Sarah White**  
(Phillip Ashley)

**Daniel Godwin (David's brother)**  
(The Godwins)

**Marnie Mephill (mom)**  
(Jenn Farrell)

**The family of Shirley Downs,  
The family of Randy Golden  
(brother)**  
(Karey Fowler)

**All Military & Families,  
Robert Gamble &  
This Child Here**

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If you have a prayer concern or celebration, or are interested in becoming a part of the prayer chain ministry, please call the office at (850) 893-0617 or send an email to [fellowshipprayer24@gmail.com](mailto:fellowshipprayer24@gmail.com).

### THE SESSION

Jan Bell, Cliff Jordan, Melissa Wyllie  
Beth Keating, Mike Novak, Joyce Blocker  
Shannon Woods, Heather Kidd,  
Jamie S. McDonnell  
CLERK: Beth Keating

### THE DIACONATE

Cathy Sheridan, Louise Sadler,  
Laura B. Hall, Rita Schumm  
JoAnn Schlorholtz, Melanie Jordan  
TREASURER: Hillman Brannon