



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

COMMUNION SUNDAY

MAY 3, 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

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Our God refuses to shame us. God's justice delivers us.

Praise God, in whom we seek shelter and guidance!

Our God listens to us. God rescues us from danger.

Praise God, in whom we seek shelter and guidance!

We trust our God. Let us worship God, whom we call ours.

Praise God, in whom we seek shelter and guidance!

✦ PRAISE HYMN

WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of compassionate mercy, your grace and love extend to all people. We are called to forgive others, as you forgive us. Far too often, however, we wield forgiveness like a weapon. We see others doing wrong and feel haughty when we grant them grace. We call out the sins of the powerful but fail to notice our own power. We become narrow in our quest for truth, and ignore other people, in other rooms, crying out for your justice. Help us search ourselves and seek forgiveness from those we have made beg for mercy. Connect us to others and guide us to share power and grace as we follow you. *(We continue in silence.)* Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

✦ JOYFUL RESPONSE

GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

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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.

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.

✦ **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

PROVERBS 4:10-18

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

ANTHEM

MAY THE ROAD RISE TO MEET YOU

ARR. VICTOR JOHNSON

SCRIPTURE READING

1 PETER 2:2-10

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

SERMON

CORNERSTONES

✦ **SERMON HYMN**

CALLED AS PARTNERS IN CHRIST'S SERVICE

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DISCIPLES RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD

✦ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

POINTS OF MINISTRY

OFFERTORY

✦ **DOXOLOGY**

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:

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.



PRAYER OF DEDICATION

COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING & LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and God of might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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

JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

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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. We hope that you have a blessed week and that you'll join us again.

An Open Table:

Regardless of where you are in your faith, God's grace and Christ's life have been given for you. The Holy Spirit continues to move among us today, and we give thanks for this opportunity for all us to gather at God's table.

Beginning at the back, ushers will invite all to come forward using the center aisle.

We will take communion by intinction, which means taking a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup of grape juice. If you are unable to come forward, or prefer a gluten free option, a server will come to you.

Next Week's Readings:

Ezekiel 34:1-7

Psalm 115

1 Peter 3:12-22

John 14:15-21

Worship Leaders:

Dottie Lee

Rev. A.J. Mealor

Phillip Ashley

Karey Fowler

Staff Singers:

Espen Brante

Julia Chaves

Taylor Livingston

Connor Mickey

NEWS TO KNOW

SUNDAY, MAY 3:

COMMUNION SUNDAY MAY DAY CELEBRATION

9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:30AM WORSHIP SERVICE
(IN PERSON & YOUTUBE)
11:30AM FELLOWSHIP HOUR
5:30PM YOUTH @ ALCHEMY

MONDAY, MAY 4:

2:30PM BUNCO
6-8PM VBS DECORATING @
KILLEARN
7:00PM WORSHIP COMMITTEE
(ZOOM)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6:

6:30PM CHOIR

SATURDAY, MAY 9:

10:00AM HARMONY CIRCLE

SUNDAY, MAY 10:

MOTHER'S DAY

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

Livestream is available on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com).

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

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)

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)

Jenna Strickland
(Amy Jordan)

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

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Sexton

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.

THE SESSION

Jan Bell, Cliff Jordan, Melissa Wyllie
Beth Keating, Mike Novak, Joyce Blocker
Shannon Woods, Heather Kidd,
Jamie S. McDonnell
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Cathy Sheridan, Louise Sadler,
Laura B. Hall, Rita Schumm
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