Worship Services

April 28, 2019

8:30 and 11 a.m.
6:30 p.m.

Not to us, O LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.
Welcome

We are very glad to have you worshiping our gracious God with us today.

To Our Guests,
We especially welcome you today! More information about our church is available on our website at firstpresaugusta.org. You can also visit the desk in our Welcome Center, located behind the sanctuary. Additional seating is available in St. Andrew's Hall. Ushers are available to direct you.

Spiritual Care
If you would like to speak to someone about what it means to know Jesus Christ or you have any spiritual need or question, please use one of the prayer cards in the pew rack to contact our pastors. Our church elders are also available to speak with you. An elder and his wife will be standing next to the pastor following the service to talk or pray with you.

Children's Check-in
We are committed to the highest level of protection possible for the children placed in our care on Sundays and at all church events. For this reason, we require parents of newborns through fifth grade children to check in their children before they go to the nursery, Sunday School, Catechism, Children's Church, or any other children’s activity. Kiosks are available in the Narthex and in the Children's Lobby. The process is quick and easy, and volunteers are available to assist you.

Children's Worship
We offer a specially designed program for children in pre-K through fourth grade during the morning services. Leaders will escort children from the sanctuary to their classrooms during the hymn of preparation. Parents are welcome to accompany them to observe where to pick them up after the service. Children in pre-K through second grade remain in their classrooms until they are picked up by a parent.

Nursery
Nurseries are provided for infants and toddlers during the worship services and Sunday School. We provide a Mother/Infant Room (#160) located in the Ebenezer Building behind the sanctuary.

Family Room
The Telfair Room (#100) is a great place for parents with restless children to watch live feed of the sermon while training young children how to participate in corporate worship. Ushers are available to direct you.

Our Denomination
We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination “true to the Scriptures, the reformed faith, and obedient to the Great Commission of Jesus Christ.” Learn more about the PCA at pcanet.org.

Flowers
The sanctuary flowers are given today to the glory of God.

As stewards of God’s resources, we try not to print an excess of bulletins. We invite you to bring this bulletin with you when you return for the evening service.
The Morning Services

Luke: Following the Leader

The Prelude—Children of the Heavenly Father ............................................... Forrest

Welcome and Announcements ................................................................. Rev. John Franks

The Meditation—There Is a Higher Throne ........................................... Getty, arr. Larson

Jessica Dickens, solo

There is a higher throne
Than all this world has known,
Where faithful ones from ev’ry tongue
Will one day come.
Before the Son we’ll stand,
Made faultless through the Lamb;
Believing hearts find promised grace;
Salvation comes.

And there we’ll find our home,
Our life before the throne;
We’ll honor him in perfect song
Where we belong.
He’ll wipe each tear-stained eye
As thirst and hunger die.
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King;
We’ll reign with him.

Hear heaven’s voices sing!
Their thunderous anthem rings
Through emerald courts and sapphire skies.
Their praises rise.
All glory, wisdom, power,
Strength, thanks, and honor are
To God, our King, who reigns on high
Forevermore.

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†The Call to Worship .................................................................................. from 1 Peter 1:2-4

We have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead

And into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade, kept in heaven for us.

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us worship God!

* Ushers may seat worshipers at this time. † Indicates the congregation standing.
*†The Hymn of Praise—Thine Be the Glory

(All Verses)

Edmond Budry, 1884 | Translated: Richard B. Hoyle, 1923 | From George Frederick Handel, *Judas Maccabaeus*, 1747
†The Invocation  *(Please lift hands)*

The Old Testament Lesson .................................................................  *Ezekiel 34:1–16*  
*page 1341 in the pew Bible*

The Response

The grass withers and the flowers fall,

**But the Word of our God stands forever.**

The Sacrament of Baptism *(8:30 a.m.)* ..............................................Anna Patten Rose Eckley  
daughter of Sarah and John Eckley

Lillian Grace Reeves  
daughter of Linsey and Noah Reeves

Oliver Kyusik Stephens  
son of Crystal and Michael Stephens

The Sacrament of Baptism *(11 a.m.)* ..................................................Thomas Robert Kerr  
son of Katie and Alex Kerr

Davis Lee Koel Cooper  
son of Laura and Zach Cooper

Henry Ellis George  
son of Lauren and Brett George

The Response—Jesus Loves Me .......................................................................  *Jesus Loves Me*

*(Sung by all)*

Jesus loves me, this I know,  
For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong;  
They are weak but he is strong.  

Jesus loves me, he who died,  
Heaven’s gates to open wide.  
He will wash away my sin;  
Let his little child come in.

Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
The Bible tells me so.

† Indicates the congregation standing.  § Please kneel if able to do so.
The Assurance of Pardoning Grace .................................................. Romans 4:25-5:2

Jesus was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

The Corporate Confession of Sin

Merciful Creator, Judge of all the earth and Father of all who trust in you; with heavy hearts, we acknowledge that it is our sin that made the crucifixion of your beloved Son necessary. We confess that we have fallen short of your glory by our words, thoughts, and actions. We have not and cannot live up to the demands of your holy law. All of us, like wayward sheep, have gone astray; we have turned from you and gone our own way. As a result, you have laid on Jesus all of our sins. Forgive us for our rebellion, our hard hearts and our apathy toward our sin and toward our Savior. Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Cleanse us with your blood, which you shed for us. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

The Personal Confession of Sin

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The Response—My Savior’s Love ..........................................................My Savior’s Love

(Sung by all)

I stand amazed in the presence He took my sins and my sorrows;
Of Jesus, the Nazarene, He made them his very own;
And wonder how he could love me, He bore the burden to Calvary
A sinner, condemned, unclean. And suffered and died alone.

How marvelous, how wonderful! When with the ransomed in glory
And my song shall ever be: His face I at last shall see,
How marvelous, how wonderful 'Twill be my joy through the ages
Is my Savior’s love for me! To sing of his love for me.

† Indicates the congregation standing. § Please kneel if able to do so.
†The Pastoral Prayer 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.

‡The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

**The Offering

The Offertory—Written In Red .............................................................. Jensen, arr. Kirkland

Jessica Dickens, solo

I love you, I love you
That’s what Calvary said;
I love you, I love you,
I love you, written in red.

Down through the ages, God wrote his love
With the same hands that suffered and bled;
Giving all that he had to give,
A message so easily read.

Oh precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow.
There’s no other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Words and Music: Gordon Jensen | Arranged and Orchestrated: Camp Kirkland | ©1984 Word Music

‡Children in pre-k through fourth grade exit for Catechism classes at this time.
**Online giving is available at firstpresaugusta.org.
The Hymn of Preparation—Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven.......................... Ebenezer

(Verses 1 & 3)

1. Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav’n and voices raise;
2. Christ is ris’en, Christ the first-fruits of the holy harvest field,
3. Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high.

Sing to God a hymn of gladness; Sing to God a hymn of praise.
Which will all its full abundance at his second coming yield.
Alleluia to the Savior who has won the victory.

He who on the cross a victim for the world’s salvation bled,
Then the golden ears of harvest will their heads before him wave;
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity.

Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is ris’en from the dead.
Ripened by his glorious sunshine from the furrows of the grave.
Alleluia! Alleluia to the Triune Majesty.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth, 1862 | Music: Thomas John Williams, 1890
The Response
This is the Word of God,
Thanks be to you, O God.

Sermon—Seeking the Lost .................................................. Rev. John Barrett

1. Values

2. Pursues

3. Rejoices

The Silent Prayers of God’s People
Sermons are available on the church website at firstpresaugusta.org/resources/sermons.
†The Hymn of Response—The King of Love My Shepherd Is .............St. COLUMBA

(Verses 1, 3, 5, 6)

†The Benediction

(Please lift hands)

(Please be seated following the benediction)

The Postlude—“Gigue” Fugue in C Major

Deiterich Buxtehude

Mark Dickens, organist
Jesus promised his disciples three things...that they would be completely fearless, absurdly happy, and in constant trouble.
—G.K. Chesterton

Prelude—All My Hope

†Call to Worship and Invocation ................................................................. Dr. Mike Phillips
†Song—O Come to the Altar

Kirk Sauers, Evening Worship Leader

Are you hurting and broken with in over-whelmed
Leave be hind your re- grets and mis- takes Come to-
Bear your cross as you wait for the crown, Tell the world

by the weight of your sin? Jesus is calling
day there’s no rea- son to wait Jesus is calling
of the trea- sure you’ve found Jesus is calling

Have you come to the end of your self
Bring your sor- rows and trade them for joy.

do you thirst for a drink from the well? Jesus is calling
From the ash es a new life is born Jesus is calling

O come to the al- tar the Fa- ther’s arms are o- pen wide For give- ness
is bought with the pre- cious blood of Je- sus Christ

O what a Sa- vior Isn’t he won- der- ful; Sing al- le- lu- ia, Christ is ri- sen

Bow down be fore him for he is Lord of
all sing al le lu- ia, Christ is ri- sen

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Scripture Reading and Prayer .................................................. Acts 5:25-32

Vanessa Hawkins

Jesus promised his disciples three things...that they would be completely fearless.
†Song—All My Hope Is in Jesus

I've been held by the Savior.
I've felt pain and sorrow.
I'm no stranger to prison.
I've worn the chains of sin.

I've been down to that river;
I've been freed and forgiven;

I ain't the same, a prodigal returned.
I'm not going back. I'll never be the same.

All my hope is in Jesus.

Thank God my yesterdays gone.

All my sins are forgiven.

I've been washed by the blood.

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Acts 5:38-42

Luke Niday

Jesus promised his disciples three things...that they would be absurdly happy.
†Song—Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy,

ho-ly is the Lord, God al-might-y;

Worth-y to re-ceive glo-ry, worth-y to re-ceive hon-or,

worth-y to re-ceive all our praise to-day.

Chorus

Praise him, praise him and lift him up;

Praise him, ex-alt his name for-ev-er.
†Song—Father Let Your Kingdom Come

(Children in Pre-K through second grade exit at this time)

Hal-le-lu hal-le-lu-jah Fa-ther let Your king-dom come
You make all things new

May the works of my hands bring you joy, may the works of my hands bring you joy
You make all things new

May the words of my hands bring you joy, may the works of my hands bring you joy
You make all things new

from my mouth speak your peace, from my mouth speak your peace

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Scripture Reading

Julian Battle

Jesus promised his disciples three things...that they would be in constant trouble.
Evening Prayers

Offering

Offertory—Sweet Hour of Prayer .................................................. Walford/Bradbury

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
That calls me from a world of care;
And bids me at my Father’s throne,
Make all my wants and wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief;
And oft escaped the tempter’s snare,
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
Thy wings shall my petition bear;
To him whose truth and faithfulness,
Engage the waiting soul to bless.
And since he bids me seek his face,
Believe his Word and trust his grace;
I’ll cast on him my every care,
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Words: William W. Walfrod, 1845 | Tune: William B. Bradbury
† Song—Is He Worthy?

Do you feel the world is broken? We do. Do you
Is all creation groaning? It is. Is a
Does the Father truly love us? He does. Does the
feel the shadows deepen? We do. But do you
new creation coming? It is. Is the
Spirit move among us? He does. And does
know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We
glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It
Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those he loves? He
do.

Do you wish that you could see it all made
Is it good that we remind ourselves of
Does our God intend to dwell again with

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is
an anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah who
conquered the grave, he is David's Root and the Lamb who died to
ransom the slave. Is he worthy? Is he worthy of all
blessing and honor and glory? Is He worthy of this? He is.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave, He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave. From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue, He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son. Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is.

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†The Benediction (Please lift hands)

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### April Greeters

- **8:30 a.m.** Skip Wiggins, Jim Grayson, Bruce Van Peursem, Mike Ingham, Allen Pelletier
- **11 a.m.** Skip Wiggins, Jim Grayson, Hunter Baggs, Mike Ingham, Allen Pelletier
- **6:30 p.m.** Ed Hartmann, Billy English, Bruce Van Peursem, Matt Aitken, Chip Fisher

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