

Assurance of God's Grace / Passing the Peace

Anthem

Hymn of Devotion

Mary McDonald

*Where you go I will go; where you stay, there I will stay.
Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God!*
Ruth 1:16-17

Prayer for Illumination

Living God, as the risen Christ came into the locked room of the first disciples, may your Word enter into us by the power of your Holy Spirit, so that we who have not seen may yet believe. Amen.

Listen to the Word:

Psalm 23:1-6

¹The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;

³he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

⁴Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff-
they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
my whole life long.

Reflection on the Word and Life:

Reflection: Claire Davis

Musical Response: Warren Kukla

Reflection: Isaiah Ford

Musical Response: Grace Fridel

***Praise Song (See Insert)**

My Lighthouse

Rend Collective

***Affirmation of Faith** (excerpt from Belhar (South Africa) Confession)

We believe that God has revealed Godself as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people; that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor, and the wronged, and that God calls the church to follow God in bringing justice to the oppressed, giving bread to the hungry; freeing the prisoner and restoring sight to the blind.

The church of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged; that in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others.

Offertory

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

arr. Charles Maggs

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***Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Prayers of the Community & 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 475**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

***Charge and Benediction**

Choral Response

What Wondrous Love Is This

Southern Harmony

*To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
While millions join the theme, I will sing!*

Postlude

Suite No. 1 in C Major

Johann Sebastian Bach

Allemande
Courante

Leading Worship

FPC Youth Group
Ryan Dye, Minister of Music
FPC Chancel Choir
Luann Fife, Pianist
FPC Handbell Choir
Susan Block, Director
James Beauchamp, Cellist
Jill Muir, ASL Interpreter

Today's Chancel flowers are given by the Deacons to the Glory of God

Upcoming Events at First Presbyterian Church

TODAY, May 8, at 4 p.m. *Organ Evensong* — Ryan Dye and Andrew Kukla present a service of organ music and spoken word. A \$10 suggested donation helps support the FPC Organ Fund.