

GATHERING

Holy One, thank you for the gift of this new day. Please help me to stay mindful of your creation and your teachings as I travel through it. Empower me to see and spread the good news of your grace for all people. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Congregational Care

PRELUDE

Morgen

R. Strauss; arr. M. Reger

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let there be no dissension within the church,

but let the members have the same care for each other.

If one member suffers, all suffer together with them;

if one member is honored, all rejoice together with them.

* **HYMN 409**

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever. We confess that we act as if we are in control as if you will bless whatever we do. If we think of others at all, it is with an eye toward their usefulness to us. If we consider your creation, it is to ponder what benefits us. We have failed to show your love or to do justice in obedience to you. Have mercy on us, God of grace. Put the mind of Christ within us, O God, so that our lives take the form of a cross. Use us to break down walls of hostility around us. Equip us to do your will, our one God forever and ever. Now, O Lord, transform us as we continue our confession in silence.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* **ACT OF PRAISE**

Gloria Patri

Hymn 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 2:1-8 (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

OT pg. 585

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM (11 A.M.)

Seek Ye First

K. Lafferty

Amelia Birkner, soprano; Dr. Mary Birkner, flute

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia! Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia! You shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia!

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (11 A.M.)

Lizzy Tobener

(Afterward, children will return to sit with their families.)

* HYMN 717

For the Life That You Have Given
(Sing 2 times through.)

PLEADING SAVIOR

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 12:21-31a (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

NT pg. 174

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Gifts & Responsibilities in the Body

Rev. Mark Hults

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONDING

* 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; on 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (11 A.M.)

When We Are Living

B. Mink

Alison & Emerson Barat, singers; Norah Barat, percussion

When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus, and when we're dying, it is in the Lord. Both in our living and in our dying, we belong to God. Through all our living, we our fruits must give. Good works of service are for offering. When we are giving, or when receiving, we belong to God. Mid times of sorrow and in times of pain, when sensing beauty or in love's embrace, whether we suffer, or sing rejoicing, we belong to God. Across this wide world, we shall always find those who are crying with no peace of mind, but when we help them, or when we feed them, we belong to God.

* DOXOLOGY

Hymn 606

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* 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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (8:30 A.M.)

(Gluten-Free Bread)

SENDING

* HYMN 306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian

A. Fedak

Emerson Barat, horn

TODAY IN WORSHIP

WORSHIP LEADERS: Mark Hults, Fred Lundy, Elisa Neale-Tobener, Scott Stuart, Lizzy Tobener

ELDER ON DUTY: Susannah Peddie

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND ORGANIST: Mitch Rorick

COLLABORATIVE PIANIST: Dr. Tiffany Fung

CHAPEL USHERS: Howard & Margaret Lingg; **SANCTUARY USHERS:** Roger Bachmann, Paul Bennett, Matthew Morse, Carol Turner

A/V TEAM: Norah Barat, Kaylee Bleeker, Oliver Dowling, John Rayl

CHURCH TRIUMPHANT: We extend our sympathy and offer the prayers of our congregation to Christopher, Katherine, Jonathan, and Julia Pedrick upon the passing of their mother, Marjorie Pedrick, who joined the Church Triumphant on May 23, 2024. A memorial service will be held in the sanctuary at First Presbyterian Church on Friday, July 26, 2024, at 11 a.m. At Marjorie's request, please wear your favorite color instead of black. The more colorful the better! At the family's request, please consider taking a covid test and do not attend in person if you are feeling unwell or were exposed to illness. Masks are welcome. Her service will be live-streamed on the church's YouTube channel for those unable to attend in person.

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We pray that you experience Christ's presence in our midst and that His presence will sustain you in the week ahead. Visitors are welcome to participate in the worship and the work of First Presbyterian Church. You can find a "Three Steps to Membership" card with information about how to join the church in the pew racks. If you feel a call to commit your life to Jesus Christ and His Church, please speak to the pastor or an elder after worship.

Prayer of Belief: *Lord Jesus Christ, I admit I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment, and offering forgiveness. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior. Amen.* (If you are saying this prayer for the first time today, please let the pastor or elders on duty know.)

Leadership

Rev. Mark Hults
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Treasurer

Session

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Fleetwood Fleming	Pam Bailey	Rachel Coffey
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Sarah Whitfield	Steve Walker	

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God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an

of - fer praise and prayer, may we find in
 life - long need of grace; here are ta - ble,
 Shep - herd's flock and fold; here as bread and
 age of change and doubt keep us faith - ful

full - er mea - sure what it is in Christ we share.
 font, and pul - pit; here the cross has cen - tral place.
 wine are tak - en, Christ sus - tains us as of old.
 to the gos - pel; help us work your pur - pose out.

Here, as in the world a - round us, all our
 Here in hon - es - ty of preach - ing, here in
 Here the ser - vants of the Ser - vant seek in
 Here, in this day's ded - i - ca - tion, all we

var - ied skills and arts wait the com - ing
 si - lence, as in speech, here, in new - ness
 wor - ship to ex - plore what it means in
 have to give, re - ceive: we, who can - not

of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Commissioned for the dedication of a renovated worship space in Austin, Texas, this text is one of the few to devote attention to how customary church features facilitate worship. The tune was composed in wartime Britain to replace a Haydn tune tainted by Nazi associations.

TEXT: Fred Pratt Green, 1979, rev. 1988

MUSIC: Cyril Vincent Taylor, 1941

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ABBOT'S LEIGH

8.7.8.7.D

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 2:1-8 (NRSV)

¹My child, if you accept my words and treasure up my commandments within you, ²making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; ³if you indeed cry out for insight, and raise your voice for understanding; ⁴if you seek it like silver, and search for it as for hidden treasures — ⁵then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. ⁶For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; ⁷he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk blamelessly, ⁸guarding the paths of justice and preserving the way of his faithful ones.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP

717 For the Life That You Have Given

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in
Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these
gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es;
heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to
love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The score concludes with a double bar line.

The text was commissioned in 1987 by Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago, where it has continued to be used each Sunday as the offertory response. The triune activity of God as Creator (line 1), Savior (line 2), and Sustainer (line 7) enables and inspires our thanks and praise.

TEXT: Carl P. Daw Jr., 1987
MUSIC: Leavitt's *Christian Lyre*, 1830/31
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PLEADING SAVIOR
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(alternate harmonization, 23)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 12:21-31a (NRSV)

²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹But strive for the greater gifts.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE CHURCH

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

GLORIFY GOD

Do you have a favorite hymn? Why does it top your list? Now through the beginning of August, you will have the opportunity to share your favorite hymn and a personal story about it with us. On Sunday, August 25, we'll sing some of those hymns together. Complete the card at one of the boxes outside the sanctuary, respond to our hymn post on the 1stpc Music Facebook page, or submit your answers at www.1stpcmusic.org/hymn. Let's celebrate the hymns of our faith together this summer.

Offering envelopes: If you requested giving envelopes, they have arrived. Please check Gordon Hall to pick up your envelopes after worship or visit the church office during the week. Contact Laura Montgomery at assistant@1stpc.org to request children's envelopes.

MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST

Nursery Care (6 weeks old through pre-kindergarten) is available on Sundays from 10:45 a.m. through the end of the 11 a.m. worship service. Email Jenna Mueller at jdmueller2009@gmail.com with questions or to sign up. Families, please find the sign-in cart upstairs in the Christian Education building by room 204.

Children's Worship Guides are located in the narthex, and Gordon Hall. Pick one up before the service to help your child participate in worship and return the bags to the baskets after the service.

Summer College Trajectory: Stay connected for the summer. Trajectory meets Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Gordon Hall. Join us and bring a friend for fun, fellowship, and time in the Word. This summer we are reading *Welcome to Adulthood* by Jonathan Pokluda.

Multiply Sunday Class: Meet in room 201 on the second floor of the Education Wing at 9:30 a.m. as we study the book of 1 Samuel.

Gordon Hoover Sunday School: Meet in the Church Library at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Enter through the Mary Gate or the sanctuary. All are welcome! Email Perry Foote at palbertfoote@gmail.com with questions.

July 21	1 Peter 4	Rick Palmer
July 28	1 Peter 5	Jed Keesling

MEET HUMAN NEEDS


Let Us Remember in Prayer and Correspondence: Andy Adams-Smith, Marilyn Ast, Jayne Fox, Carol Hayes-Christiansen, and Elizabeth Miller. Our men and women in the services: Ashley Dace, Matt Gowdy, Brian Hill, and Dan Williams; and first responders: Nick Gonzalez and Paul Samala.

Share Your Gifts, Serve Your Church! Your unique gifts are needed to strengthen our community. Whether you excel in music, teaching, hospitality, or other talents, there's a place for you to make a difference. Interested in serving? We invite you to reach out to Lizzy Tobener

at tobeneale@gmail.com or visit www.1stpc.org/needs to find your perfect fit. A few opportunities include:

- *Straightening the pews during the week to be ready for Sunday mornings
- *Serving in the nursery on a Sunday morning
- *Cleaning-up dinner on Wednesdays after LOGOS this fall (Join us to eat dinner, too!)
- *Reading the scripture or other liturgy in worship on a Sunday
- *Trying a choir or handbell ensemble starting in August

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