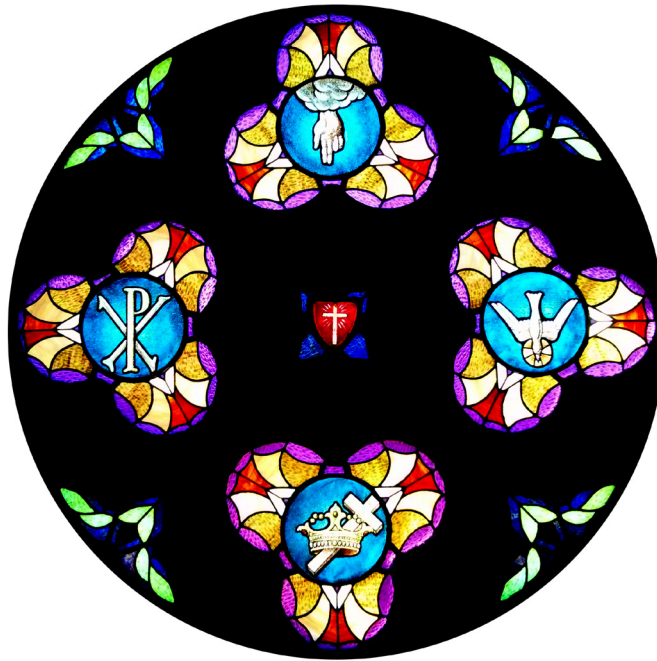


April 28, 2024

# First Presbyterian Church

The Fifth Sunday of Easter



Following Jesus, Transforming Life

***Mission Statement:***

First Presbyterian Church of Arlington is transforming life by glorifying God, following Jesus, and loving our neighbor.

Pastor: Rev. Chris Campbell

Lay Leader: Scott May

Organist: Shina Heo

# *The Worship of God*

Words in bold are spoken by the congregation.

§ Invites all who are able to stand.

*Please silence all phones and devices.  
Please fill out the Friendship Pad in your row.*

## **Gathering**

Prelude My Faithful Heart Rejoices Johannes Brahms

The Light of Christ Will Farnell, acolyte

Prayer for Preparation

*Almighty God, in Christ you have shown us the way, revealed to us your truth, and offered to us everlasting life. Keep our eyes upon him, that we may see your path more clearly, know your truth more fully, and receive your life more abundantly; through Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in eternal glory. Amen.*

Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Chris Campbell

Call to Worship

People of God, on this faith journey, what will you eat?

**The word of the Lord is our daily bread.**

People of God, in time of temptation, how will you live?

**Our faith is in the faithfulness of God.**

People of God, at this kingdom crossroad, whom will you serve?

**We worship the Lord our God alone.**

Introit I Sing the Mighty Power Russell Farnell

§ Hymn 233 The Day of Resurrection LANCASHIRE

§ Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin,**

**but we confess that we have not obeyed your word.**

**We have harbored malice toward our enemies.**

**We have been deceitful in our relationships.**

**We have been insincere in our commitments.**

**Through gossip, we have slandered our friends.**

**Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance.**

**Help your children grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

§ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel! **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

§ Gloria Patri MEINEKE

**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.**

Sacrament of Baptism

**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.**

*Proclaiming*

Psalm 22:25-31

Responsive Reading

*Refrain*



Lord, in you I trust. You are my God.

From you comes my praise in the great congregation;  
**my vows I will pay before those who fear him.**

The poor shall eat and be satisfied;  
**those who seek him shall praise the Lord. May your hearts live forever!**

*Refrain*

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,  
**and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.**

For dominion belongs to the Lord, **and he rules over the nations.**

*Refrain*

To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;  
**before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.**

Posterity will serve him; **future generations will be told about the Lord**  
and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, **saying that he has done it.**

*Refrain*

Children's Time

Children, age 3 to fourth grade, are invited to go to Kids For Christ (KFC) in the 200 hallway.

Anthem

Salvation Is Created

Pavel Chesnokov

Salvation is created, O Lord, God, almighty,  
We praise Thee above; O Lord, holy Lord, God. Alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:1-11

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Sermon

Gotta Serve Somebody

Rev. Campbell

## *Responding*

§ Hymn 32

I Sing the Mighty Power

ELLACOMBE

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.**

Offering our Tithes, Gifts, and Lives

Offertory

Christ Has Risen

Charles Bratt

§ Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**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.**

## *Sending*

§ Hymn 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

§ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

The Day of Splendour Has Come

Johann Sebastian Bach



# 233 The Day of Resurrection!

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,  
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right  
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.  
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,  
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,  
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
 Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.  
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

The roots of this English text come from a mid-8th century Greek hymn that continues to be used in Orthodox churches at the midnight Eucharist marking the beginning of Easter. The tune is named for the county in northwestern England where the composer was then an organist.

## 32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.

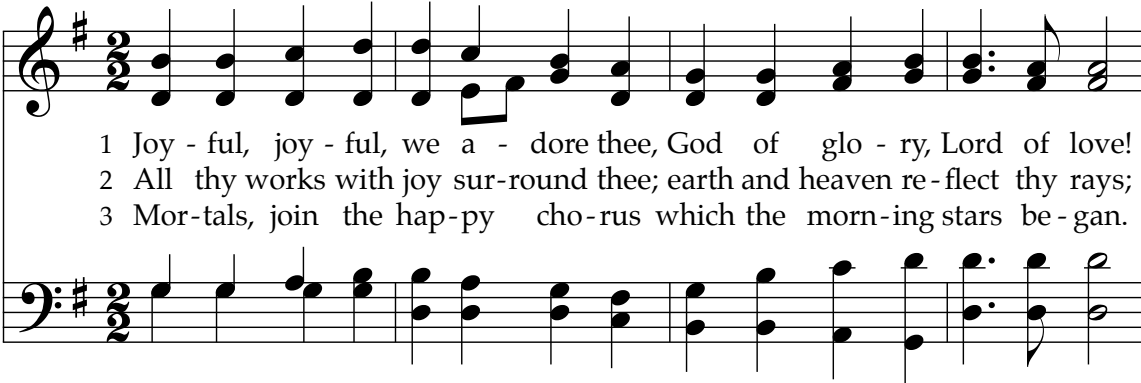
that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y  
 God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them  
 And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy

skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.  
 good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,  
 throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

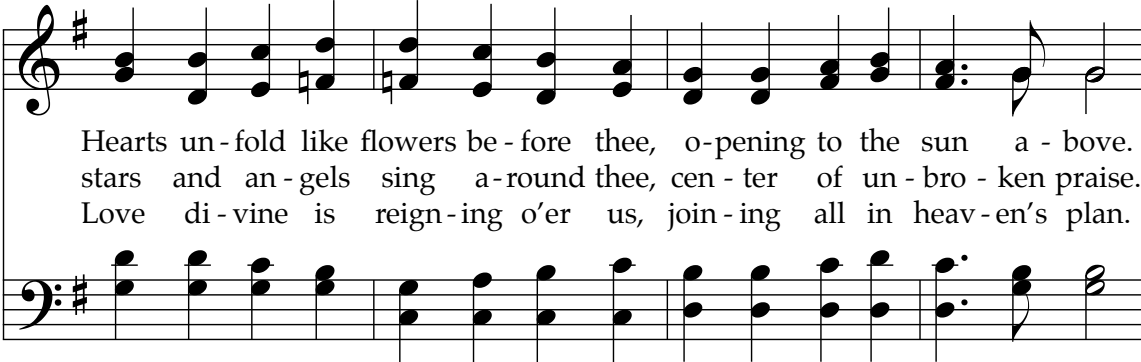
The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.

## 611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee



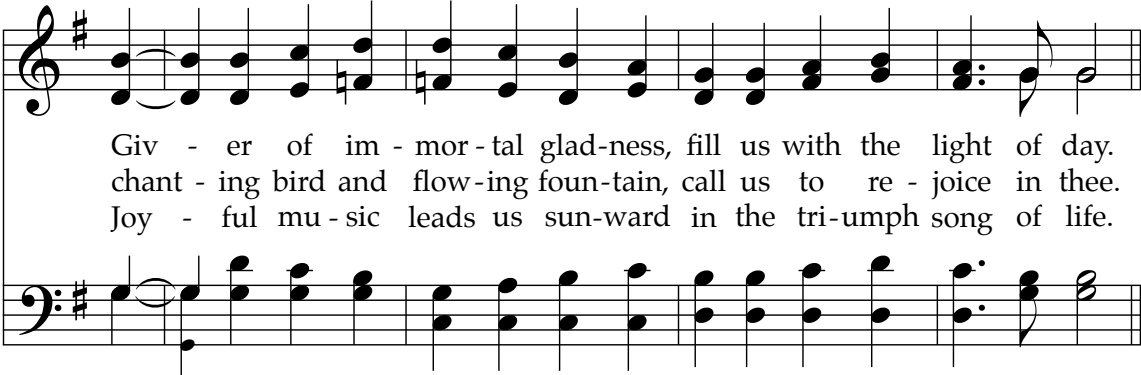
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-lect thy rays;  
 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.



Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a-bove.  
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.  
 Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way.  
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea,  
 Ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife.



Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.  
 chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee.  
 Joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die Freude" (To Joy), as the final movement of the composer's *Ninth Symphony*. The author, a prominent Presbyterian pastor and author, wrote the words with this tune in mind.

## **PCHAS Outing**

Saturday, May 4

We'll be going to the 2pm UTA baseball game after a 12:30 lunch at Westminster PC (they've generously provided their fellowship room for our use and have been invited to join us)

Tickets are \$10 for the meal and game - come one, come all to show our love for PCHAS!

Contact: Bob Dawson - 214-415-5396 or church office

## **Embrace Grace: Help Her Be Brave**

We still need volunteers! One month left. No experience needed! Just your heart and willingness! You do NOT have to commit to the entire duration of class. No help is too little!

Class starts on May 25th and lasts until August 10th, Saturdays at 11am to 12:30pm.

We need help with: Spanish translation during class, transportation as needed, gift/offering/baby shower planning and coordination, and any other ideas welcome!

Contact Katina Gifford at 817-565-3835

## **Pentecost Offering**

This year our Pentecost Offering is received officially on the Day of Pentecost, May 19, 2024. As with all Special Offerings, times before and after this date are appropriate for donations also. On Pentecost Sunday, we join Christians around the world to celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit to the church.

The Pentecost Offering unites us to support young people in Christ. Forty percent of the offering stays locally and this year will go to HOPE Tutoring as decided by the Mission and Evangelism Team with Session approval. The other percentage will support General Assembly ministries for youth development.

Stay up to date on the Pentecost Offering on [www.pcusa.org/pentecost](http://www.pcusa.org/pentecost), [twitter.com/pcusa](https://twitter.com/pcusa) or [facebook.com/spoecialofferings](https://facebook.com/spoecialofferings).

Offering envelopes are available outside the chapel and sanctuary and in the church office, several weeks before and after the offering. Please use the Pentecost envelopes or designate on your check or other envelope if you are giving to the Pentecost Offering.

Please help aid youth programs in our church as well as our country and world. The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start and a solid foundation of faith from childhood through young adult.



## Children's Musical "Rescue in the Night"

This summer, FPCA will once again produce a youth and children's musical, "Rescue in the Night" depicting the story of Daniel and the lion's den. Music week will be June 3-7, starting at 12:45 following VBS in the mornings. We hope our church family will plan to attend the performance(s) on June 8th. Performers entering 1st through 12th grades are eligible to participate. FPCA members, as well as guests and friends are welcome.

Feel free to contact Laura Farnell at [Laura.Farnell@gmail.com](mailto:Laura.Farnell@gmail.com), Sonia Ellis at [SoniaJustl@gmail.com](mailto:SoniaJustl@gmail.com), or call the church office for more information or if you know someone who would be interested in participating.

## Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is June 3-7 from 9:00 a.m. to noon for children 4 years old to 6th grade. The theme is Start the Party. We will be celebrating the Good News of Jesus. Our memory verse for the week is Acts 2:28, "You always show me the path that leads to life. You fill me with joy when I am with you."

Please use the QR code to register.



## Weekly Calendar

Sunday 4/28	
Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship Service	11:00 am
Monday 4/29	
Tuesday 4/30	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 am
HOPE Tutoring	6:30 pm
Women's Bible Study	6:30 pm
Wednesday 5/1	
Men's Bible Study	8:00 am
Quilting, etc.	10:30 am
Ring of Praise Handbells	6:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
CWF Study	7:00 pm
Thursday 5/2	
National Day of Prayer	12:00 pm
Friday 5/3	
Senior Flexibility Class	9:30 am
Kids Night Out	6:00 pm
Saturday 5/4	

## Prayer Ministry

*Prayers for those with health and other concerns:*

Betty Burdette, Eleanor Schernbeck, Ken Floyd, Jerry Tees, Harold Thomlinson, Sherry Wolfe, Sheri Quick, Charlie Nieman, Jack Bos, Carol Browning, Bettye Burdett, Cyprian Engwenyi, Betty Farrell, Ivone Franzolin, Mary Lou Garrison, Joe and Lila Glenn, Pat May and her son Tim Karnes, Graciela Lopez Montero, Mathias Mbeng Ndip, Tina Paulk, Aileigh Rodriguez, Tonya Scrabeck, David Spencer, Susie Thurston, Donna Vickers, Nancy Welborne, Patrick Welborne, Danny Womble, Carlos and Jennyfer Zamora

*Prayers for family in the armed forces:*

Colin A. Peden, Christopher Young

*Prayers for our home-bound members:*

Madge Casselman, Lucy Cleaver, Barbara Hughes, Betty Snowden, Dee Uhri, Richard Whitenight

*Prayers for those who do not know Christ*

If you have any congregational care needs, contact Parish Associate, Jim Shroyer at 682-445-0155 or [jim@firstprestexas.org](mailto:jim@firstprestexas.org)

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