

**Reunited around one loaf and cup,  
we receive strength and courage  
to continue our pilgrimage with God in the world.**

from, A Declaration of Faith  
(P.C.U. S. - 1977)

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #724**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*  
(Verses 1 & 4)

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*The Choral Response**

*A Closing Prayer*

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**POSTLUDE**

**\*People stand as they are able.**

*Notice of Filming: Worship services are filmed and recorded to be included on our Church website, Facebook, YouTube, etc. While most footage will feature worship leaders, video of the congregation may also appear. Children during children's sermons may be seen. If you have concerns, please contact the church office.*

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

*We strive to be a loving family of faith nurturing the  
spiritual growth of one another as we serve, worship, and  
reach out in celebration of Christ's Love.*

**(A) Easter 5  
The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**May 7, 2023**

**PRELUDE**

**GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come together as the church:

**People: not a building of wood or stone,  
but a spiritual house.**

Leader: We will be the living stones

That shout praise even when others are silent.

**People: God redeems us,  
Joins us together and builds us up.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE #321** *The Church's One Foundation* (Verses 1-3)

**\*THE 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 long  
for your pure, spiritual milk that we may grow into the joy of  
salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### **\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**People: In the grace and love of God, we are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God!**

### **\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS** *Christ is Alive* (Hymn #246)

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**

### **\*THE PEACE**

Leader: As those who have been forgiven, let us forgive our brothers and sisters. The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also, with you.**

*(Please greet one another and exchange signs of peace and reconciliation)*

### **PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

#### **PRAYER FOR THE DAY**

**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.**

#### **FIRST LESSON**

*John 14:1-14*

Leader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### **CHORAL ANTHEM**

*Glory, Glory, Hallelujah* arr. Ellinboe

#### **A CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN**

#### **THE SECOND LESSON**

*Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 & Acts 7:55-60*

### **SERMON**

### **RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER**

#### **Congregational Response** (sung)

**Hear our prayer, O Lord; Hear our prayer, O Lord.  
Incline thine ear to us; And grant us thy peace. Amen.**

#### **INVITATION TO OFFERING**

*Offering plates will be passed to persons seated in pews. Gifts/pledges may also be sent to First Presbyterian Church by mail or through the "Giving" link on our website: <https://www.fpcjc.com/giving>*

#### **OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY** (Offertory Response, Hymn #606)

#### **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**\*HYMN #507** *Come to the Table of Grace* (Verses 1-3)

#### **THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*"...for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 4:28)*

#### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We believe that at the Lord's Supper  
the community of believers is renewed.  
Christ makes himself known to us in the breaking of bread.**

**We accept his promises and gifts  
and depend on his life to sustain ours.**

**In turn we offer ourselves in thanksgiving  
to the risen Lord who has conquered death.**

**So we celebrate his victory here and now  
and anticipate the joyous feast in his coming kingdom.**



- **Our members and friends who are living in nursing home, assisted living or are partially or fully "home-bound"**
- **Roger Lawson**
- **Pete Young**
- **Tim Sullivan (Danette Story's brother) and all those battling cancer**
- **Greg Lindey has non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (brother of Edward Lindey)**
- **Mary Lovett**
- **Bob Jeffrey as he recovers at home**
- **Tom Rolfs for surgery and recovery on his leg**

We encourage you to pray for these friends – send them a note, call or visit them. Addresses and phone numbers can be obtained from the church office. Send your prayer requests, concerns and updates to [office.fpcjc@gmail.com](mailto:office.fpcjc@gmail.com)

**Thanks to those who have assisted in all the parts and pieces of this morning's worship:**

**Pastor:** Tim Maguffee

**Worship Leader:** Terrah Stroda

**Chancel Choir Director:** Joe Markley

**Music Coordinator and Handbell Director:** Sheila Markley

**Organist:** Matthew Pickering

**Video Preparer/Operator/Sound:** Colleen Smith

**Key Deacon for May transportation:** Brenda Boyd (785-375-7231)

**Elder on call for the week of May 7<sup>th</sup>** is Brenda Edleston (785-410-3959)

**Head Usher for May 7<sup>th</sup>** is Margaret Kilpatrick

**Coffee Fellowship** this week is hosted by Jim & Annette Ray

**Children are welcome in worship.** We welcome all children and youth to stay during the worship service and experience God. If you need your young child to go to the nursery, our caretakers are ready to receive them.

**The flowers this morning** are from Bill and Vanessa Osbourn, to the glory of God, and in honor of our church family.

**Attention all Youth:** The last day of Sunday School will be Sunday, May 14th and the last day of JAM will be Wednesday, May 10th.

This month, our **First Sunday offering** will go to the Food Pantry.

If you have information you would like in the **bulletin**, please let the church office know by **noon on Wednesday** for that week. You may call 238-1191 or email your info to [office.fpcjc@gmail.com](mailto:office.fpcjc@gmail.com)

If you have anything you would like to put into the **June** newsletter, please email the information to the church office no later than **May 23rd, 2023**. Our email address is [office.fpcjc@gmail.com](mailto:office.fpcjc@gmail.com).

**Church services are streamed** at: <https://www.fpcjc.com>. You will also find links to our Facebook page and YouTube on this webpage. The worship bulletin can be found at <https://www.fpcjc.com/publications>.

**When inclement weather is forecast** there are three ways you can find out if the church worship service has been cancelled: WIBW (website or T.V.), our First Presbyterian Church-Junction City Facebook page, and - if we have your email address - email from the church.

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday**

7:00 pm                      Cub Scouts

**Wednesday**

9:30 am                      Ram Exterminators  
11:30 am                      Christian Education Committee  
6:30 pm                      J.A.M.  
6:30 pm                      Chancel Choir  
8:00 pm                      AA Meeting

**Saturday**

9:00 am                      AA Business Meeting

**Sunday**

8:30 am                      Glory Ringers  
9:30 am                      Sunday School  
10:45 am                      Worship, child care available  
   Coffee Fellowship



**Pre-register Today by scanning the QR code or signing up below.**



Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Dawn Avery at [edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com](mailto:edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com) or call us at 785-238-1191 for more information.