

# 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.*

**(C) Easter 4**  
**Christian Education Recognition**

**May 8, 2022**

**PRELUDE** "All Creatures of Our God and King" "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"  
"When In Our Music God Is Glorified" arr. by Robert Hobby

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHORAL INTROIT

#### CALL TO WORSHIP (please remain seated)

Leader: Lift your hearts, raise your voices,  
and join the heavenly host who forever sing:

**People: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.**

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #413

*Come into God's Presence*

#### \*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in the presence of our enemies, we divide and demonize. When you face our enemies, you choose neither contempt nor punishment, but set a table and make provision for us all. Our ways are not your ways, O Creator, and they are an affront to the work of your hands. Have mercy on us, O God, and heal us. Send our risen Lord among us again to repair relationships and restore humanity. Set us free to share the love of Christ Jesus just as he does at his table. 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

Llanfair (tune to Hymn No. 245)

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!  
Praise our God, ye heav'n-ly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

#### \*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

### RECOGNITION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (see insert)

#### A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR OUR MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

**Gracious God, we give you thanks for all of those among us who have answered your call to teach and lead, to nurture children and adults, and to share their knowledge and faith; who by faithful words and actions have spread the *good news* by helping others grow in faith.**

**We thank you for lives dedicated to serving others: for the hours, days and seasons, weeks and years, they committed to this congregation and the Church. We thank you for those who respond to your love by giving so graciously of their time and talents.**

**O Lord, none of us is mature in faith. Inspire us to seek knowledge of you and your purpose for our lives in the stories and traditions of our faith, in scripture, in our relationships with one another. May we be attentive to our own heart's demands, and receptive to the stories of others. Speak your word to us and help us to hear. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

#### FIRST LESSON

*John 10:22-30*

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;  
but the Word of our God will stand forever.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### CHORAL ANTHEM

*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go...* by Markley

#### THE SERMON TEXT

*Revelation 7:9-17*

#### SERMON

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**\*HYMN #299** *You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim* (Verses 1-2, 4)

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

Leader: Who are you?

**People: I am a child of God.**

Leader: What does it mean to be a child of God?

**People: That I belong to God, who loves me.**

Leader: What did God create?

**People: God created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them.**

Leader: What is special about human beings?

**People: God made us, male and female, in God's own image.**

Leader: What do we mean when we pray to God "in heaven?"

**People: We mean that God draws near to us from beyond this world, and hears our prayers.**

Leader: What do we ask when we pray "Hallowed be your name?"

**People: We pray that God's name will be honored in all the world and everywhere treated as holy, because God's name really stands for God.**

Leader: What do we ask when we pray "Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven?"

**People: We ask God to fulfill God's purpose for the whole world. We also ask God to make us able and willing to accept God's will in all things, and to do our part in bringing about God's purpose.**

Leader: What does it mean to pray "For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever?"

**People: We praise God for being able and willing to do everything we have asked in this prayer. We give ourselves to God's wise and gracious care; because we know that God can be trusted to make all things work together for good, now and forever.**

from, "Belonging to God: The First Catechism"  
Presbyterian Church (USA)

## **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. However, you may also leave your pledges, gifts and other offerings in the boxes located at the sanctuary doors. 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**

"Jesus Loves Me"...arr. by Austin Lovelace

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

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

#### **GO IN GOD'S NAME**

### **\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #803**

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*  
(Verses 1-2)

### **\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

### **\*THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #803** (Verse 3)

**The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;  
O may your house be my abode, and all my work be praise.  
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;  
no more a stranger, or a guest, but like a child at home.**

### **POSTLUDE**

"Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart"...arr. by Robert Hobby

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

**These are the dates for VBS 2022!  
Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Get on a roll with God as a parade of Food Trucks rolls into the neighborhood for the summer's biggest party! This VBS invites children to pray as Jesus teaches us in Matthew 6:11; "Give us this day our daily bread." Kids will learn that everything we have comes from God - and that it's by turning to God in prayer that all our daily needs are met.**



**Ages: 3 (and potty trained) – completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade.  
The Nursery will be available to our friends who are younger than 3.  
Time: 5:30pm – 8:00pm  
(Walk-in Registration will open by 5:15pm, in the Parlor)  
Where: First Presbyterian Church, 113 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street**

**\*\*A light supper and dessert will be provided every evening from our amazing Food Truck, so don't miss out!!**

**Participants and Volunteers REGISTER TODAY @ <https://vbspro.events/p/events/foodtruckparty> or email Dawn Avery at [edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com](mailto:edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com).**

**Thanks to those who have assisted in this morning's worship:**

**Pastor:** Tim Maguffee

**Worship Leader:** Vanessa Osbourn

**Chancel Choir Director:** Joe Markley

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

**Organist:** Dan Myers

**Video Preparer/Operator/Sound:** Colleen Smith & Sam Markley

**Key Deacon for May transportation:** Pam Haynes (761-5559)

**Elder on call for the week of May 8<sup>th</sup>** is Alice Stuckey (209-0415)

**Head Usher for May 8<sup>th</sup>** is Rick Munson

**Acolytes for May 8<sup>th</sup>** are Ally Lankas and Braxton Stroda

**Coffee Fellowship** this week is hosted by the Christian Education Committee

**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 in the sanctuary this morning** are provided by Bill and Vanessa Osbourn to the glory of God and in memory of our mothers Dorothy Thierer and Margaret Shane.

**All Choirs Picnic** - Wednesday, May 18th, 6:30pm  
Markley Home  
240 West 5th, JC

All Choirs Invited:  
Chancel Choir  
Youth Choir  
Glory Ringers

Bring delicious potluck foods, table utensils, lawn chairs and Frisbee's!  
Drinks will be provided!

**VBS Volunteer Training** is June 12th, immediately following worship. A light meal will be provided.

**Attention all Youth:** Today was the last day of Sunday School and the last day of Choir/JAM will be this Wednesday, May 11th.

**Thanks to your generous contributions** (including fish banks), we collected a total of \$1562.02 for One Great Hour of Sharing.  
Thank you all. ...M-E/Fellowship Committee.

**If you have anything you would like to have put into the June/July newsletter,** please email the information to the church office no later than May 23rd, 2022. 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>.

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### Monday

7:00 P.M. Cub Scouts

### Tuesday

10:00 A.M. Red Cross Meeting

### Wednesday

9:30 A.M. Ram Exterminators

6:00 P.M. Recovery Harbor

6:30 P.M. Youth Choir

7:00 P.M. JAM

7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir

8:00 P.M. AA Meeting

### Saturday

10:00 A.M. Presbytery APS Training

### Sunday

8:30 A.M. Glory Ringers Practice

9:30 A.M. Sunday School (adults only)

10:45 A.M. Worship, child care available



- **Our members and friends who are living in nursing home, assisted living or are partially or fully "home-bound"**
- **Roger Lawson**
- **Pete Young**
- **Stacy Steck**
- **Tim Sullivan (Danette Story's brother) and all those battling cancer**

**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)**

## 2021-2022 Christian Education Volunteer Appreciation

Chrystal Artigue  
Krista Blaisdell  
Casey Butler  
Jason Butler  
DeGe Boller  
Barby Craft  
Elaine Dill  
Kate DonLevy  
Brenda Edleston  
Rob Edleston  
Lisa Eickholt  
Chris Heldstab  
Randy Heldstab  
Hannah Goble  
Melissa Goble  
Margaret Kilpatrick  
Ashley King  
Jennifer Lankas  
Joe Markley  
Sheila Markley  
Sam Markley  
Kathleen Marsicek  
Tim Maguffee  
Chris Munson  
Mary Kay Munson  
Robert Munson  
Lisa Nabus  
Randy Nabus  
Bill Osbourn

Vannessa Osbourn  
Heather Oentrich  
Janet Parrish  
Bill Powers  
Carol Powers  
Dennis Proietti  
Marcie Proietti  
Annette Ray  
Jim Ray  
Amanda Rolfs  
Colleen Smith  
Randy Smith  
Terrah Stroda  
Alice Stuckey  
Emily Thiesen  
Kim Williams  
Shawn Windes  
Jade White  
Carolyn Zumbrunn

## 2022 Graduates to be Recognized CONGRATULATIONS!



**Jada Nabus** is the daughter of Randy and Lisa Nabus. She will be graduating from Junction City High School on May 15, 2022. Jada will be attending Emporia State University in the fall to pursue a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors!



**Aspen Young** is the daughter of Mark Young and granddaughter of Pete Young. She will be graduating from DeSoto High School on May 21, 2022. Aspen will be attending Kansas State University in the fall to pursue a degree in Veterinary Science. We wish her all the best and good wishes as she pursues her dreams!



**Joshua Michael Haynes, DVM** is the son of Dr. Bob and Pam Haynes. Joshua is graduating on May 14, 2022 from Kansas State University with a Doctorate degree in Veterinary Medicine. Joshua will be joining the Town and Country Vet team. Good Luck as you begin the next phase of your journey!

