



The First Presbyterian Church

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All members of the congregation

The Celebration of Worship Confirmation Sunday

May 13, 2018

10:30 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.

Large print hymnals, Bibles, hearing devices,
and information about child care are available from any usher.

If your hearing aid has a button for telephone use, turn it on now
to receive sound directly to your hearing aid.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.

Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand in body or in spirit.



We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed, he is girded with strength. He has established the world; it shall never be moved; your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting. The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring. More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the Lord! Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore.

Psalm 93

PRELUDE

Happy the Home When God Is There
Paula Legge, organ

arr. Janet Linker

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Come, People of the Risen King

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Come, peo - ple of the Ris-en King, who de - light to bring Him praise,
 Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weep-ing through the night,
 Come, young and old from ev - ery land, men and wom-en of the faith,

Come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morn-ing Star of grace.
 Come, those who tell of bat - tles won, and those strug-gling in the fight.
 Come, those with full or emp - ty hands, find the rich - es of His grace.

From the shift-ing shad - ows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him,
 For His per-fect love will nev - er change, and His mer - cies nev - er cease,
 O - ver all the world. His peo-ple sing, shore to shore we hear them call

Where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach, to — gath - er child-ren in.
 But fol - low us through all our days with the cer - tain hope of peace.
 The truth that cries in ev - ery age, "Our — God is Lord of all."

Re - joice! Re - joice! Let ev - ery tongue re - joice!

One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, re - joice!

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Christian Johnson

*RESPONSE 474

As a Child Rests

AS A CHILD RESTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

GINNA TAYLOR

Loving God, we say we love You and that You are Lord of our lives, but then we allow our jobs, school work, and family responsibilities to take up so much of our time that we have little left for church, or even for prayer.

We say we want to be like Jesus, but we also want to be the most popular, the best dressed, the most outstanding. Somehow, You get crowded out.

Forgive us for our weak love. Help us to make time for Your work and worship. Remind us of Your presence as we make decisions. We pray in the name of Jesus, Who loves us. Amen.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so we may greet each other by name.

PUBLIC RECEPTION OF THE 2018 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Bill McCoy

We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

2018 Confirmation Class

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.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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, Amen.*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Sallie Daugherty

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*HYMN 267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Christian Johnson

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.

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory Anthem

Here I Am, Lord

Daniel Schutte

(Words are found on page 69 in your hymnal.)

The Geneva Choir

*Doxology

*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.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Christian Johnson

Jesus, as we lay before You our financial offering, we give You all that we are and everything that You have entrusted to us. Come bless these gifts for the sake of Your Kingdom and glory. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	Psalm 1; Pew Bible, OT, p. 489	Christian Johnson
EPISTLE LESSON	Romans 12:1-2; Pew Bible, NT, p. 161	
GOSPEL LESSON	Luke 9:23-27; Pew Bible, NT, p. 69	Bill McCoy
SERMON	Conformation Class	Bill McCoy
*CONCLUDING HYMN 326	For All the Saints	SINE NOMINE
*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENECTION		Bill McCoy
*HYMN OF PARTING	The Day of Resurrection!	HYMN 233 v. 3

*Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth its song begin,
The round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein.
Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end!*

*POSTLUDE	Largo (in honor of our graduates) Paula Legge, organ	G. F. Handel
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We gather to worship,
We scatter to serve,
In the relentless love of Christ.

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Please greet our graduates and welcome our newly confirmed church members
in the Ruffner Room after the service this morning!

2018 Confirmation Class:

Sophie Alexander Thomas Bloch Devlin Daugherty Blaine Dettinger Townes Hunt
Will Isaac Zach Johnson Sam Keller Ian Klingler Henry Long Sophie Slack

In worship leadership last Sunday: We thank Ian Carpenter for chiming the Trinity and Raegan Elmore and Ruth Odin for serving as acolytes during worship May 6.

Restrooms and water fountains are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel; please accompany children.

Childcare: Nursery and Rooms 112 and 114

Elder visitation: Sarah Smith, Jennifer Snider, Tim Spears

The flowers in the sanctuary today remind us that a contribution has been given to the Hunger Fund for the glory of God and in loving memory of Ethel Calhoun by her daughters, Jane Smith and Joan Steven.

Greeters today: Susan Watkins, Dave and Sandy Campbell, Kristen Harrison

We are thankful for the generous gifts given for Vacation Bible School.

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