



# The First Presbyterian Church

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## The Morning Worship of Our Lord

Third Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2019

10:30 AM

The asterisks (\*) invite you to stand as you are able.

### REFLECTION FOR WORSHIP

“For we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us” (2 Corinthians 4:7). That is finally the faith that makes it possible for us to preach on family concerns—and, indeed, on any others. For we affirm with our suffering congregations—affirm with them, rather than standing over against them in phony self-righteousness—that yes, in fact, we do have trouble in our homes. They are beset by conflict and misunderstanding, by weariness and hurt, by trauma and suffering; the best of them know those times. And yet, filtering through these troubles and trials is the transcendent power of God, which carries us and forgives us and saves us, beyond all our power to save ourselves.

Rev. Dr. David H.C. Read “*Preaching About the Needs of Real People*”

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.*

PRELUDE

Cornet Voluntary

Starling Goodwin (1711-1774)

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Laura Ceperley

Leader: The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

People: For God has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?

And who shall stand in God's holy place?

People: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,

who do not lift up their souls to what is false,  
and do not swear deceitfully.

Leader: They will receive blessing from the LORD,  
and vindication from the God of their salvation,

People: Such is the company of those who seek the LORD,  
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors!

People: that the King of glory may come in.  
The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 14

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Reverend Glenn Coleman

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
and spare those who honestly confess their faults,  
restore those who are truly repentant,  
according to your promises declared to us Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for the sake of Christ,  
that from this moment we may live a godly, righteous, and reverent life,  
to the glory of your name.

In Christ our Lord, receive our prayer. Amen.

*(Silence is kept for personal confession)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

\*SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 581 Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Reverend Dr. Nancy Kahaian

*After this "Time," the children in grades 1-5 are dismissed to Bible Study in Room 113 in the preschool area,  
or they may remain in the sanctuary with their parents.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 9:30-37

Laura Ceperley

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Books of the Bible Song  
The Children's Choir

music by Mary Odin

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 4:11-26

Reverend Dr. Nancy Kahaian

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Children and the Family of God"

Reverend Dr. Nancy Kahaian

\*HYMN 612

We Praise You, O God

KRESMER

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Reverend Glenn Coleman

*Please see bulletin insert for the Order for the Sacrament of Baptism*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

Reverend Dr. Nancy Kahaian

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 OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

The Apostles' Creed

music by Dave Pearcy

\*Offering Response 607

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Reverend Dr. Nancy Kahaian

*Please find the Friendship Pad located in the pew, sign your name, and pass along the pew for all others to sign.*

*Please be certain to warmly greet those seated around you this morning!*

\*HYMN 547

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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\*BENEDICTION

Reverend Dr. Nancy Kahaian

\*SUNG RESPONSE 377 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" (stanza one only)

HOUSTON

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.  
In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

\*POSTLUDE

Allegro

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.  
May the gift of worship you offer today honor God and serve as a blessing to you.

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 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.

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

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#### WORSHIP LEADERS

10:30 a.m.

Laura Ceperley, Glenn Coleman, Nancy Kahaian

#### THE MUSIC TODAY

10:30 a.m.

The Geneva Choir, The Children's Choir, The Praise Team  
Mary Odin, Director of Music Ministries  
Dave Percy, Guitarist and Composer

#### ALSO SERVING TODAY:

**Greeters:** Sharen Franklin, Naomi Kreig, June Mills  
**Elder Visitation:** Mike Abernethy, Ben Adams, Eddie Baker  
**Acolytes:** Theron Raab & Alicia Raab  
**Chiming the Trinity:** Drew Isaac

#### WORSHIP NOTES:

The Offertory shared today was written by Dave Percy. Dave recalls the following worship note: "In 2002, Kay Lamb asked if I could set the Apostles' Creed to music to help the children learn this significant creed of the church. The music came to me so quickly, that in reflection I knew that I was guided by God. The guitar was recorded without a metronome as it felt best to be led by the Spirit. In addition, after many unsuccessful vocal attempts, I asked God to 'give me a voice that would appeal to a child' and the very next vocal try completed the recording. This song celebrates its actual 17th anniversary today as we share it once again in worship."

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