

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

First Presbyterian Church

Tallahassee, Florida

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025, 11:00 AM



## GATHERING

Ringling of the Zimbelstern

Voluntary

Ach bleib bei uns, Herr Jesu Christ  
(Ah, stay with us, Lord Jesus Christ), BWV 649

J. S. Bach/Arr. Mike Magatagan

Taylor Hawkins and Talley Powell, flutes

Call to Worship

Ethan Murphy

The Lord is our shepherd;

**we lack nothing.**

Though we may walk through the darkest valley,

**we fear no evil; for God is with us.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives,

**and we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Opening Prayer

Rev. Glenn Hodges

\*Hymn 248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

\*Call to Confession

\*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.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

Believe the good news. **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, nurtured, and safe.**

*\*Asterisks indicate to please rise in body or spirit. Congregational responses are in **bold print**.*

\* Sung Response

## Christ Our Passover

Jeffrey Rickard

Congregational Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o -  
- ver has been sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us  
keep the feast, Al - le - lu - ia,  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Choir: *Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil; But with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. [Refrain]*

\*The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

## PROCLAIMING

Prayer for Illumination

Peggy West

Acts of the Apostles

Acts 9:36-43

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 801

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want  
(Psalm 23:1-6)

CRIMOND

New Testament

Revelation 7:9-17

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

\*Hymn 187

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

Gospel

John 10:22-30

Rev. Glenn Hodges

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Sermon

## RESPONDING

\*Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)

**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.**

## Prayers of the People

God of new life, **hear our prayer.**  
... through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

## 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.**

## Call to Offering

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

## Anthem

## Loving Shepherd

Arr. Mark Schweizer

*Loving shepherd, comfort and guide us,  
Keep us in thy tender care.  
And in thy mercy stay beside us,  
Safely thy lambs now gather,  
Bring us in faith together,  
And thy pastures now prepare.*

*And when I walk with darkness around me,  
Thou art near and I will fear no ill.  
So with thy love and kindness surround me,  
Goodness and mercy bringing,  
From living water springing,  
Lord of Love grant me thy comfort still.*

\*Presentation Hymn 609

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

\*Prayer of Dedication

## SENDING

\*Hymn 39

Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

\*Blessing and Charge

The blessing of the eternal, triune God—Alpha and Omega,  
first and last, beginning and end—be with you all. **Alleluia!**  
Come, Lord Jesus! **Amen.**

Voluntary

Gavotte

Matthew Camidge

# IN WORSHIP TODAY

“**Kingdom**” or “**Kindom**” in the Lord’s Prayer? Kingdoms were the dominant community structure when our Scriptures were written. Some find it meaningful to think about other Biblical metaphors to convey the ethos of care and genuine kin-ships about which Jesus taught and preached. Please pray as you choose.

**Prayer Concerns and Celebrations** — **We offer prayers for healing** for Barbara Kronholz, Cole (grandson of Rich Peyton), Alan Williams, Martha Kutter, Sandy Burkholder, Wayne Friedemann, Morris Springer, Patricia Yeilding, Cindy Harden, Joyce Crawford, Bev Breedlove, Tara Reynolds, Sandra Sherrard, and Martha Snowden. **We offer prayers for strength and mercy** for the family and friends of Harriet Chase, who died last Friday, the family and friends of Ginny Coultas, who died last Monday, Evanna (Wayne Friedemann’s sister), Patricia McCoy Delancey, Thaddeus Gillon, and Aidan (grandson of Sue Safford). We pray for the staff and volunteers of Second Harvest of the Big Bend and all our mission partners, and for victims of gun violence in our community and our country. We pray for the Presbyterian Reformed Church in Cuba, Pastor Izett Samá Hernández, and Pastor Alison Infante. We pray for peace in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, and around the world. **We also pray for those in military service**, including Brian Guisao, Ross Yeilding, David DelRossi, and Owen Elzie.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Children** are welcome in this service as full members of God’s family. Parents and children are invited to use whatever is useful in the basket by the back door. Child care for children under the age of kindergarten is in the Education Building. Please note that during worship the Education Building is locked. Please enter through the breezeway door.

**Restrooms** are located in this building through the door at the end of each aisle of the sanctuary.

**An induction loop system** is available in the sanctuary. To use the system, switch your compatible hearing aid to the T–telephone mode or request a wireless headset from an usher.

**Large print versions** of the Glory to God hymnal and worship bulletin are available from ushers.

**Visitors:** We are glad you are here this morning! If you have questions about our congregation or about church membership, please let us know by using the friendship registers or speaking to one of the greeters so we can connect you with the right people. **Please join us in the courtyard after worship today for lemonade and fellowship.**

**A congregational meeting** will be called at the close of worship next Sunday, May 18, to elect the 2025-2026 elder nominating committee.

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**Check-in**



Let us know you came  
to Worship Today!



**QR Codes**



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Online Offerings  
& Donations

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### MEMBERS OF SESSION 2025-27

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Donna Barber  
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## Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! 248

1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!  
 2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.  
 3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.

Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.  
 Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.  
 Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.

In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.  
 Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.  
 Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"

Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.  
 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.  
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!

In commenting on this late 20th-century text, the author has stressed his intention to affirm the social implications of an Easter faith: "Christian peace and justice action finds its wellspring, not in moral zeal or guilty conscience, but in the resurrection."

# The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want 801

(Psalm 23)

1 The Lord's my shep-herd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie  
 2 My soul he doth re-store a-gain, and me to walk doth make  
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill,  
 4 My ta-ble thou hast fur-nish-ed in pres-ence of my foes;  
 5 Good-ness and mer-cy all my life shall sure-ly fol-low me,

in pas-tures green; he lead-eth me the qui-et wa-ters by.  
 with-in the paths of righ-teous-ness, e'en for his own name's sake.  
 for thou art with me; and thy rod and staff me com-fort still.  
 my head thou dost with oil a-noint, and my cup o-ver-flows.  
 and in God's house for-ev-er-more my dwell-ing place shall be.

## KOREAN

- 1 주나의목자되시니부족함없도다  
푸른풀밭호숫가로날인도하시네
- 2 내영혼소생시키며그이름위하여  
늘의로운길견도록날인도하시네
- 3 나어둠골짜지나도두려움없겠네  
주막대기와지팡이날안위하시네
- 4 주나의원수앞에서내상을베푸사  
머리에기름부으니내잔이넘치네
- 5 선함과인자하심이내평생따르리  
여호와전에영원히나거하리로다

## SPANISH

- 1 *Es el Señor mi buen pastor y nada faltará;  
por verdes prados con amor Él me conducirá.*
- 2 *Al lado de aguas de quietud haráme reposar;  
por sendas justas y de paz su mano me guiará.*
- 3 *Y cuando en valle de dolor o muerte deba andar,  
no sentiré ningún temor, pues Él me guardará.*
- 4 *Es sabio y fiel mi buen pastor, jamás me dejará;  
con su cayado, mi Señor, aliento me dará.*
- 5 *Hasta el final me seguirán misericordia y bien;  
y de mi Padre en el hogar por siempre moraré.*

This paraphrase of Psalm 23 comes from the so-called Scottish Psalter of 1650, actually produced by the Westminster Assembly and intended for use by all Presbyterians in the British Isles, in place of the Sternhold and Hopkins "Old Version" of the Church of England.

## Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us 187



1 Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.  
 2 We are yours: in love be - friend us; be the guard-ian of our way.  
 3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;  
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor; ear - ly let us do your will.



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us; for our use your fold pre-pare.  
 Keep your flock: from sin de - fend us; seek us when we go a-stray.  
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.  
 Bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us: we are yours.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us; love us still.



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This unattributed hymn, like many that are now meaningful to adults, was written for children and develops shepherd imagery from Psalm 23 and John 10:1-18. The tune, composed for these words, was originally named for the text but has come to be known by the composer's name.

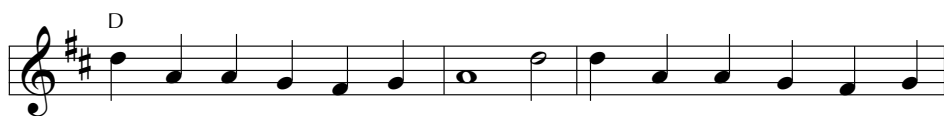
# 609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



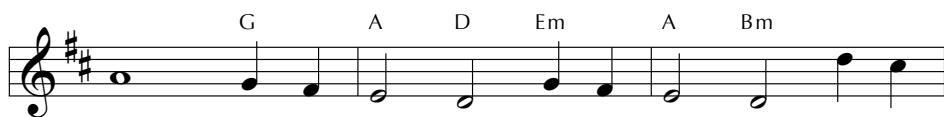
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures



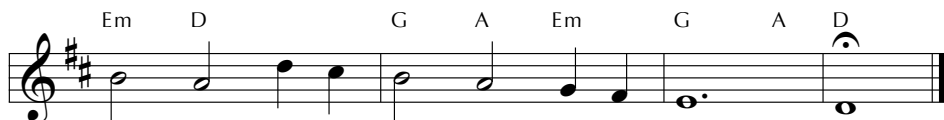
high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise



God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it



one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



## 39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 \*Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.  
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.  
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

\*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!  
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.  
 날 마 다 자 비 를 베 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.  
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!  
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주