

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

First Presbyterian Church
Tallahassee, Florida
Day of Pentecost
June 8, 2025, 11:00 AM



GATHERING

Ringling of the Zimbelstern

Voluntary

Toccata on Veni Creator

Jeanne Demessieux

Call to Worship

Ethan Murphy

O Lord, our God, you are very great.

You are clothed in glory and majesty, wrapped in a robe of light.

You set the earth on its foundations, never to be shaken.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever.

Let us sing to the Lord as long as we live.

Let us sing praises to God our whole life long.

Opening Prayer

Rev. Glenn Hodges

*Hymn 277

Hail Thee, Festival Day!

SALVE FESTA DIES

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

**God of fire and wind, holy and powerful, mighty and mysterious,
we are drawn by your Spirit to this place.**

As we gather and behold your glory, we become aware of our sin.

We have ignored your word. We have rejected your gifts. We have failed in your work.

Ignoring the truth of Pentecost, we exclude those different from us.

We divide our loyalties, and we divide our hearts.

**Let your Spirit burn away our sins and fill us with faith and courage,
so that we might live into the promise of this day**

and receive the fullness of all that you have prepared for us in Jesus Christ.

*Assurance of Pardon

*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]*

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

*The Peace

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

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Gail Hankinson

PROCLAIMING

Prayer for Illumination

Walter Moore

Hebrew Scripture

Genesis 11:1–9

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

Hymn 34

Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being!
(Psalm 104:24–34, 35b)

RUSTINGTON

Acts of the Apostles

Acts 2:1–21

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

*Hymn 282

Come Down, O Love Divine

DOWN AMPNEY

Gospel

John 14:8–17, 25–27

Rev. Glenn Hodges

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

Sermon

RESPONDING

*Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed)

Page 34 in the Hymnal

Prayers of the People

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

Call to Offering

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

Anthem

Come Holy Spirit, Creator Blest

Arr. Michael Bedford

*Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest,
And in our hearts take up your rest;
Come with your grace and heavenly aid,
To fill the hearts which you have made.*

*O Comforter, to you we cry,
Heavenly gift of God Most High;
O Fount of Life and Fire of Love,
And sweet anointing from above.*

*O Holy Spirit, through you alone
Know we the Father and the Son;
Be this our firm unchanging creed,
That you do from them both proceed.*

*Praise we our God, the Father and Son,
And Holy Spirit, with them One,
And may the Son on us bestow
All gifts that from the Spirit flow. Amen.*

*Presentation Hymn 609

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Prayer of Dedication

SEALING

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

God is with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to God.**

Let us give thanks to our Creator. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

... So we sing with all our ancestors in faith and with all the angels and all the planets:

Hymn 513, v. 3

This is the Feast of Victory

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

Refrain sung by all; verses sung by the choir.

... So we proclaim, how great is the mystery of faith:

Hymn 513, v. 1

This is the Feast of Victory

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

... So that one day your world may hunger no more for food or love.

Hymn 513, v. 4

This is the Feast of Victory

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kindom 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 kindom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 506

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table

COPELAND

Hymn 285

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

BRIDEGROOM

*Prayer After Communion

SENDING

*Hymn 280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

EBENEZER

*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

Toccata in C major, BWV 564

J. S. Bach

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, Morris Springer, Cindy Harden, Joyce Crawford, Bev Breedlove, Tara Reynolds, Sandra Sherrard, and Martha Snowden. **We offer prayers for strength and mercy** for Brooklyn and all those involved in her care, 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.

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 on the ground floor.

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.

After worship today, please join us in the Westminster Room to celebrate the time Elizabeth Lajeunesse has spent with us and wish her well as she moves to Asheville, North Carolina.

Check-In



Let us know you came
to Worship today!



QR Codes



Give Online



Online Offerings
& Donations

MEMBERS OF SESSION 2025 –27

CLASS OF 2025

Donna Barber
Carolyn Bradley
Debbie Gibson
Patrick Kennedy
Sue Safford

CLASS OF 2026

Jane Atkinson
Daniel Bruno
Eleanor Cleveland
Janet Fixel
Greg Riccardi, Clerk

CLASS OF 2027

Kay Crowell
Jon Dodrill
Caitlin James
Mary Kutter
Deb Whisnant

SERVING IN THE LITURGY

DESIGNATED PASTOR

Rev. Glenn Hodges

PARISH ASSOCIATE

Rev. Dr. Greta Reed

ORGANIST

Elizabeth Lajeunesse

CHOIR DIRECTOR

Ethan Murphy

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR

Fran Owens

VIDEO TEAM LEAD

Carl Morse

CUSTODIAN AND SUNDAY HOST

Becky Brown

First Presbyterian Church
110 North Adams Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301
E-mail: office@oldfirstchurch.org



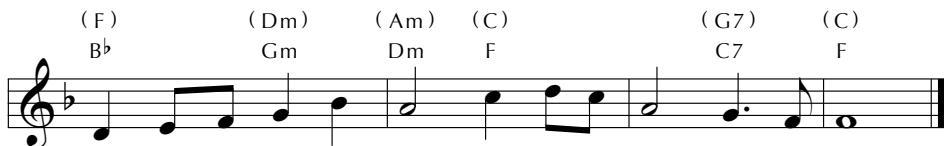
Phone: (850) 222-4504
Fax: (850) 222-2215
www.facebook.com/oldfirstchurch
Website: www.oldfirstchurch.org

277 Hail Thee, Festival Day!

Capo 5: (C) (G7) (Am)(D7) (G) (C) (D7)(G)
 Refrain F C7 Dm G7 C F G7 C



Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;



day when our Lord was raised, break-ing the king - dom of death.



Easter 1 All the fair beau - ty of earth from the
 Ascension 1 He who was nailed to the cross, is
 Pentecost 1 Bright and in like - ness of fire, on
 3 God the Al - might - y, the Lord, the
 5 Spir - it of life and of power, now



death of the win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - ery good
 rul - er and Lord of all peo - ple. All things cre -
 those who a - wait his ap - pear - ing, he whom the
 rul - er of earth and the heav - ens, guard us from
 flow in us, fount of our be - ing, light that en -

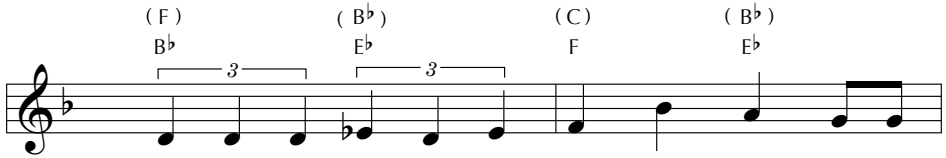


gift of the year now with its Mas - ter re - turns:
 at - ed on earth sing to the glo - ry of God:
 Lord had fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly de - scends:
 harm with - out; cleanse us from e - vil with - in:
 light - ens us all, life that in all may a - bide:

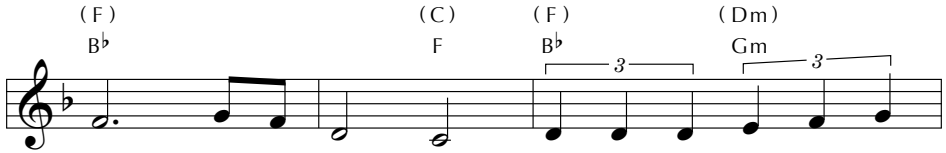
Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This three-occasion hymn has been extracted from a much longer Latin original of fifty-five two-line stanzas. Though it is doubtful that the entire text was used much, selections from it have flourished for centuries. This celebratory tune is one of the composer's most effective.

JESUS CHRIST: ASCENSION AND REIGN



Easter 2 Rise from the grave now, O Lord, the au - thor of
Ascension 2 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows a - dorned with the
Pentecost 2 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows, a - dorned with the
 4 Je - sus, the health of the world, en - light - en our
 6 Praise to the giv - er of good! O Lov - er and



life and cre - a - tion. Tread - ing the path - way of
 glo - ry of blos - som; heav - en its gates now un -
 glo - ry of blos - som; heav - en its gates now un -
 minds, great Re - deem - er, Son of the Fa - ther su -
 Au - thor of con - cord, pour out your balm on our



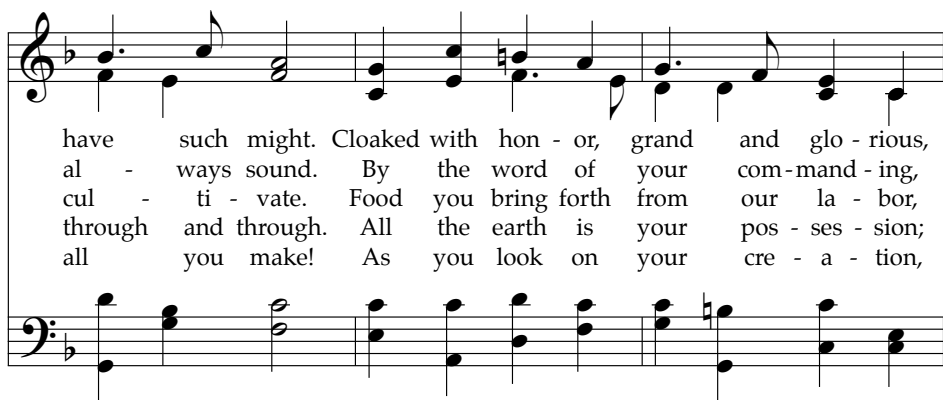
death, new life you give to us all:
 bars, fling - ing its in - crease of light:
 bars, fling - ing its in - crease of light:
 preme, on - ly be - got - ten of God:
 days; or - der our ways in your peace:

34 Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being!

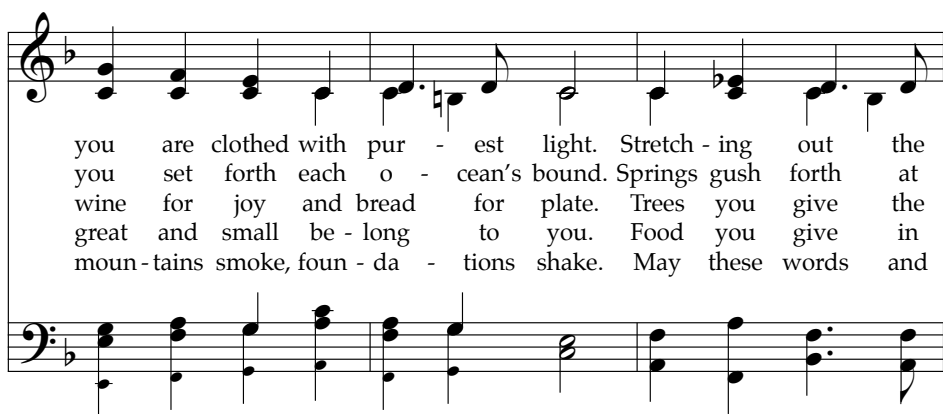
(Psalm 104)



1 Bless the Lord, my soul and be - ing! Lord my God, you
2 Lord, you laid the earth's foun - da - tion that it would be
3 Grass you cause to grow for cat - tle, plants for us to
4 Lord, how great are all your work - ings; wis - dom marks them
5 May your glo - ry reign for - ev - er. Lord, re - joice in



have such might. Cloaked with hon - or, grand and glo - rious,
al - ways sound. By the word of your com - mand - ing,
cul - ti - vate. Food you bring forth from our la - bor,
through and through. All the earth is your pos - ses - sion;
all you make! As you look on your cre - a - tion,



you are clothed with pur - est light. Stretch - ing out the
you set forth each o - cean's bound. Springs gush forth at
wine for joy and bread for plate. Trees you give the
great and small be - long to you. Food you give in
moun - tains smoke, foun - da - tions shake. May these words and

This 20th-century paraphrase of Psalm 104 is careful to include the details of creation that give this psalm its character. This comprehensive text is well served by its expansive Victorian tune, named for the town in Sussex where the composer lived in his later years.



heavens like tent cloth, you are cham - bered on the deep. Rid - ing
your own bid - ding, giv - ing drink to ev - ery field. Bird and
birds for shel - ter, moun - tain rock and cave for beast. Sun and
each due sea - son; at your hand come all good things. By your
thoughts be pleas - ing, for in you my joy is found. Bless the



on the wings of wind - storm, flame and fire your bid - ding keep.
beast and all your crea - tures in that cool - ness find thirst healed.
moon both mark the sea - sons; in their light we work and feast.
Spir - it you cre - ate us; Lord, your breath re - new - al brings.
Lord, my soul and be - ing! With this song let praise a - bound.



282 Come Down, O Love Divine

1 Come down, O Love Di - vine; seek out this soul of mine,
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
 3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with your own ar - dor glow - ing.
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing.
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing.

O Com - fort - er, draw near; with - in my heart ap - pear,
 And let your glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 For none can guess God's grace, till Love cre - ates a place

and kin - dle it, your ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes a dwell - ing.

This *lauda spirituale*, a kind of vernacular Italian sacred song from the late Middle Ages and Renaissance, was translated into English in the 19th century but received little notice until this tune (named for the composer's birthplace) was created for *The English Hymnal*.

609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

D A D

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

Bm A D G D Bm E A D

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

D

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

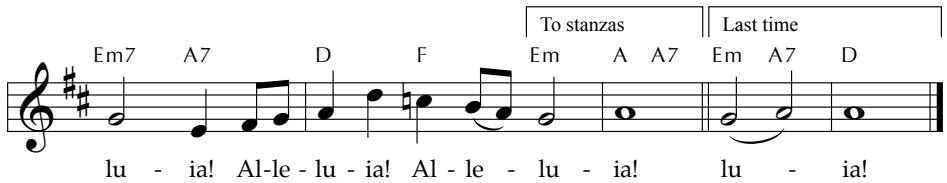
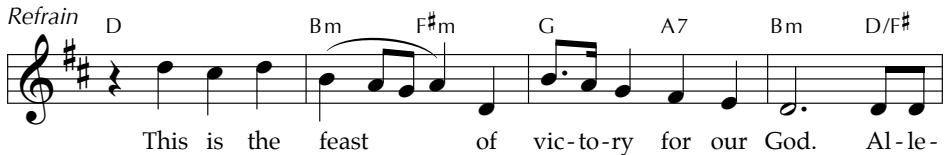
G A D Em A Bm

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

Em D G A Em G A D

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

This Is the Feast of Victory 513



- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia!

This exuberant unrhymed paraphrase is especially well suited for use at celebrations of the Lord's Supper in Easter Season. The stanzas are derived from several passages in Revelation (5:9–10, 12–14; 7:10b, 12), while the refrain possibly refers to 1 Corinthians 15:54b–56.

TEXT: John W. Arthur, 1970

MUSIC: Richard Hillert, 1975, alt.

Text © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship (admin. Augsburg Fortress)

Music © 1975, 1988 Richard Hillert (Published by OCP)

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

Irregular

506 Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!

1 Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries
 2 Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low -
 3 Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thou - sand
 4 Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to

that they bring. Some are weep - ing; some are laugh - ing;
 ers ap - pear, saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tled
 dif - ferent ways, but they share one thing in com - mon:
 be sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound - ed,

some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why they're in -
 with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of his de -
 they all end in thanks and praise for the host who has in -
 who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es bread and

vit - ed, bur - dened by the wrong they've done. Christ in - sists they
 ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight; Paul re - lates his
 vit - ed north and south and east and west to con - verge a -
 breaks it— truth and man - na from a - bove!—and then pass - es

This text celebrates the radical hospitality that characterizes Christ's welcome, which transcends time and reaches in all directions (Matthew 8:11 / Luke 13:29). Saints of old are, like us, people in need of forgiveness, and the response to such pardon is "thanks and praise."


LORD'S SUPPER

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'LORD'S SUPPER'. It consists of two staves: a treble staff at the top and a bass staff at the bottom. Both staves are in the key of D major, indicated by two sharps (F# and C#) in the key signature. The treble staff contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes, while the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are written in a simple, black, serif font between the two staves. The lyrics are: 'all are wel - come. There is room for ev - ery - one. fruit - less ef - forts to ob - lit - er - ate the light. round this ta - ble, where all life is fed and blest. wine that wak - ens in your heart the taste of love.' The music ends with a double bar line on both staves.

all are wel - come. There is room for ev - ery - one.
fruit - less ef - forts to ob - lit - er - ate the light.
round this ta - ble, where all life is fed and blest.
wine that wak - ens in your heart the taste of love.

285 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Capo 3: (G/A) (D) (A) (D/F#) (E7)
B \flat /C F C F/A G7



- 1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal - lenge of her
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, to the branch - es of the
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the cease - less voice of

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on the Holy Spirit was written to fit the pre-existing tune. The three stanzas cluster around various themes developed through a series of images and grounded in the refrain: how the Spirit comes, to whom the Spirit comes, and for what purposes the Spirit comes.

TEXT: Carl P. Daw Jr., 1982, alt.

MUSIC: Peter Cutts, 1969

Text © 1982 Hope Publishing Company

Music © 1969 Hope Publishing Company

BRIDEGROOM

8.7.8.7.6

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

(A) C (Em) Gm (B) D

flight, like the vig - or of the wind's rush, like the
 Vine, to the church in faith as - sem - bled, to our
 prayer, with the power to love and wit - ness, with the

(Em) Gm (D) F (G) B^b (A/G) C/B^b (F[#]m) Am (Bm) Dm (Em) Gm (A7) C7 (D) F

new flame's ea - ger might:
 midst as gift and sign: Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 peace be - yond com - pare:

280 Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

1 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; come with
 2 We would raise our al - le - lu - ias for the
 3 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us

Pen - te - cos - tal power; give the church a
 grace of yes - ter - years; for to - mor - row's
 words of fire and flame. Help our fee - ble

strong - er vi - sion; help us face each cru - cial hour.
 un - known path - way, hear, O Lord, our hum - ble prayers.
 lips to praise you, glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name.

Built up - on a firm foun - da - tion, Je - sus Christ, the
 In the church -'s pil - grim jour - ney you have led us
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One: what

This 20th-century text was written by a Presbyterian layperson and poet, who in her later years became interested in writing hymns for the seasons of the church year and prepared a collection of them for her congregation. It pairs effectively with this sturdy Welsh tune.

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Cor - ner - stone, still the church is called to
all the way; still in pres - ence move be -
mys - ter - y! We would sing our loud ho -

mis - sion that God's love shall be made known.
fore us, fire by night and cloud by day.
san - nas now and through e - ter - ni - ty.