

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

First Presbyterian Church  
Tallahassee, Florida  
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
July 27, 2025, 11:00 AM



## GATHERING

Ringling of the Zimbelstern

Voluntary

Interlude in C

Joseph Renner

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Rev. Glenn Hodges

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; God's glory will dwell in our land.

**Let us hear what God will speak!**

Righteousness and peace will kiss each other; faithfulness will spring up from the ground.

**Let us hear what God will speak!**

God will speak peace to God's people, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

**Let us hear what God will speak!**

Opening Prayer

\*Hymn 667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, we humbly confess that we have fallen short of who you call us to be.**

**We seek peace and comfort in our lives, ignoring the needs of those around us.**

**We live our lives in ways that bring chaos and calamity to our neighbors.**

**Cleanse us from sin and show us your steadfast love,**

**so that in turning to you, we may seek unity and peace for all of creation.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen.**

\*Sung Response Hymn 583

Gloria, Gloria

GLORIA (Taizé)

*Sung once in unison, twice in canon (A = North, B = South)*

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*\*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.**

## PROCLAIMING

Prayer for Illumination

Maddie Schneider

Hebrew Scripture

Hosea 1:2–10

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

Hymn 13

The Mighty God with Power Speaks

KINGSFOLD

Epistle

Colossians 2:6–19

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

\*Hymn 69

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM (Schutte)

Gospel

Luke 11:1–13

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

In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**  
... Jesus Christ, our crucified and 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

This Little Light of Mine  
Choral Scholars: Jessica Johns, Tiger Davis, and Maddie Schneider  
Cellist: Joey Miller

Arr. Ken Berg

*This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm going to let me shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!*

*Ev'rywhere I go, I'm going to let it shine.  
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm going to let it shine.  
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm going to let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*All through the night, I'm going to let it shine.  
All through the night, I'm going to let it shine.  
All through the night, I'm going to let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
This little light of mine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

\*Presentation Hymn 608

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAISE GOD (Hopson)

\*Prayer of Dedication

## SENDING

\*Hymn 641

When in Our Music God Is Glorified

ENGELBERG

\*Charge and Blessing

The kingdom of God, the power of Christ, and the glory of the Spirit be with you forever. **Alleluia!**  
Go in peace to love the Lord your God and love your neighbor as yourself. **Amen.**

Voluntary

Postlude in D Minor

HEINRICH GÖTZE

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## IN WORSHIP TODAY

**Today we say goodbye** to Maddie Schneider, one of our faithful Choral Scholars and today's Scripture Reader. This week, Maddie graduates from the FSU College of Music and then heads to Virginia for her new position as a voice teacher at Expressions Music Academy. We wish Maddie all the very best and thank her for her service to First Presbyterian Church.

**Today's Sanctuary Flowers** are provided by the family of Morris Springer in remembrance of him.

**"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 Greta Reed, Barbara Kronholz, Martha Kutter, Joyce Crawford, Bev Breedlove, Tara Reynolds, Sandra Sherrard, and Martha Snowden. **We offer prayers for strength and mercy** for the family and friends of Sandy Burkholder, who died this week; Mike Harden, husband of Cindy Harden; Brooklyn and all those involved in her care; and for 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 as well as those of all our mission partners. We pray 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 door to the Narthex. 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 ground floor 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.

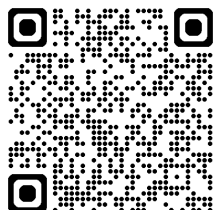
**Visitors:** We are glad you are here this morning! If you have questions about our congregation or about church membership, please let us know by using the friendship registers or speaking to one of the greeters so we can connect you with the right people. We welcome new members after worship on the second Sunday of each month.

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**Check-In**



Let us know you came  
to Worship today!



**QR Codes**



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& Donations

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## 667 When Morning Gilds the Skies

1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing  
 2 Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I  
 3 Let earth's wide cir - cle round in joy - ful notes re -  
 4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di -

cries: may Je - sus Christ be praised! A -  
 find: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Or  
 sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let  
 vine: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be

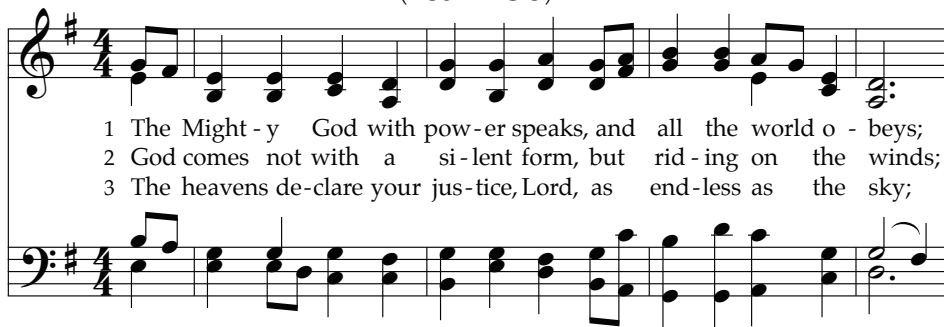
like at work and prayer to Je - sus I re -  
 fades my earth - ly bliss? My com - fort still is  
 air and sea and sky from depth to height re -  
 this the e - ter - nal song through all the a - ges

pair: may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
 this: may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
 ply: may Je - sus Christ be praised!  
 long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

This is not just a morning hymn, though this excerpt from an English translation of an early 19th-century German text may not convey how thoroughly the original deals with different kinds of time throughout the day. The tune was composed as a setting for this English text.

# 13 The Mighty God with Power Speaks

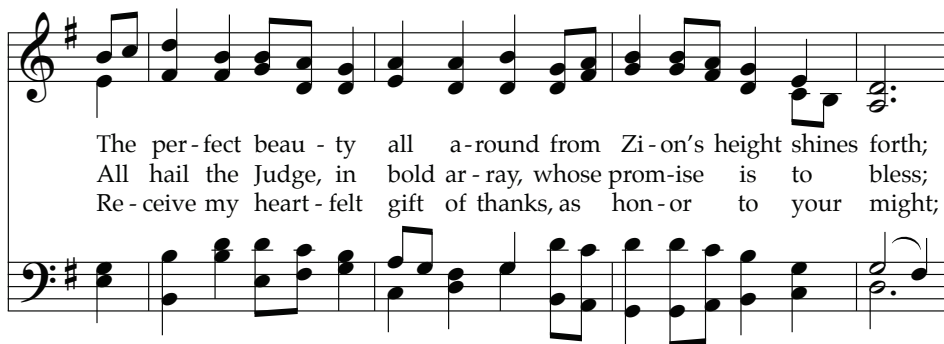
(Psalm 50)



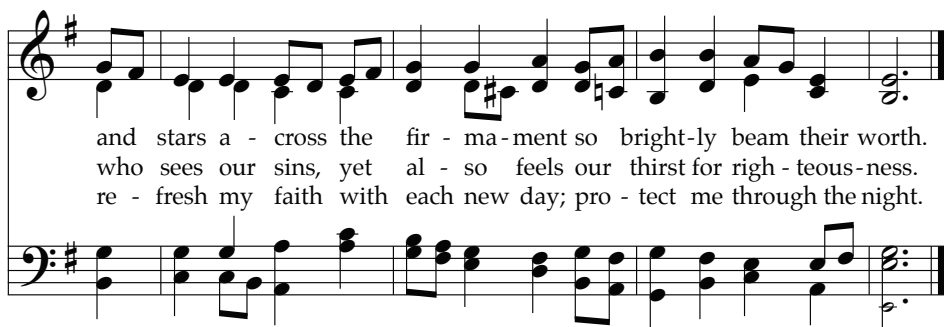
1 The Might - y God with pow - er speaks, and all the world o - beys;  
 2 God comes not with a si - lent form, but rid - ing on the winds;  
 3 The heavens de - clare your jus - tice, Lord, as end - less as the sky;



from dawn un - til the set - ting sun, God's won - der earth dis - plays.  
 be - fore God's face, the rag - ing storm its blast of thun - der sends.  
 a - gainst the taunts of dis - be - lief, our God will tes - ti - fy.



The per - fect beau - ty all a - round from Zi - on's height shines forth;  
 All hail the Judge, in bold ar - ray, whose prom - ise is to bless;  
 Re - ceive my heart - felt gift of thanks, as hon - or to your might;

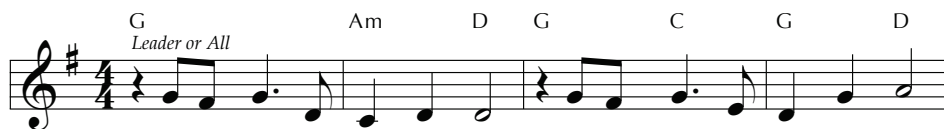


and stars a - cross the fir - ma - ment so bright - ly beam their worth.  
 who sees our sins, yet al - so feels our thirst for righ - teous - ness.  
 re - fresh my faith with each new day; pro - tect me through the night.

This paraphrase, set to a familiar English folk melody, focuses on the opening narrative section of Psalm 50 without attempting to summarize God's speeches in the latter portion of the psalm. Both parts bear witness to God's sovereignty, God's justice, and God's providence.

## 69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

## Here I Am, Lord



1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est



made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.  
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

## Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

# Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all  
peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -  
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.



## 641 When in Our Music God Is Glorified



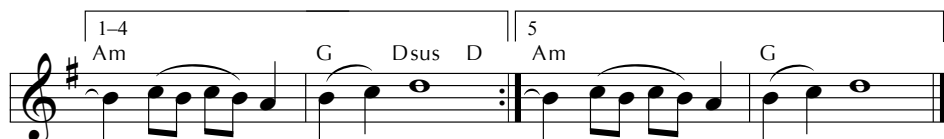
1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied,  
 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found  
 3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song,  
 4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night  
 5 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise!



and ad - o - ra - tion leaves no room for pride,  
 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound,  
 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong,  
 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the light?  
 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise!



it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried:  
 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found  
 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue:  
 Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:  
 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

Written to supply this tune with words suitable for occasions celebrating music, this text explores how human song gives voice to creation, how music can convey new insight, how sung faith has kept the church authentic, how Jesus relied on the psalms, and how sound can be praise.