



# First Presbyterian Church

## Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025, 11:00 AM



\* Indicates that those who are able may stand

**Bold type is spoken by the people.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

*Sidonie Sansom, Finance Chair*

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

*Matt Wright*

VOLUNTARY:

I'll Walk with God

*Nicholas Brodsky*  
*Riley Keegan, soloist*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Tony Lawson, Liturgists*

ONE: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

**ALL: Praise God in God's sanctuary!**

ONE: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

**ALL: Praise God for God's mighty deeds! Praise God according to God's surpassing greatness!**

ONE: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

**ALL: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Hallelujah!**

ONE: Let us worship God!

\*OPENING HYMN: You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

**#299**

CALL TO & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: Christ Jesus comes among us with extended hands and a wide embrace, offering mercy and forgiveness and promising new life. Trusting in the one who has been raised from the dead, let us make our confession, saying...

**ALL: O God, your love is boundless and your grace exceeds our imaginations. You keep finding ways to be among us, even when the doors of our hearts are locked. Graciously, you seek us out. We cannot hide, but we can confess that sin has us in its grip. It has led us from your ways and corrupted our best intentions, tempting us to believe that you don't notice, that you aren't even present. Correct our vision. Cleanse our hearts. Create in us a place where we can welcome you and receive the fullness of what you have given us in Jesus Christ.**

## SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

\*RESPONSE HYMN: Lord Have Mercy Upon Us **#575**

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the power of sin has been defeated. God's love is stronger still. This is good news!

**ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

\*GLORIA PATRI **#581**

**Glorry 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!**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES *Rev. Michael McLaughlin*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Acts 5:27-32 **P.115**

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Revelation 1:4-8 **P.230**

ONE: These words are trustworthy and true.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come *Paul Manz  
Text: Revelation 22*

Peace be to you and grace from him who freed us from our sins,  
Who loved us all and shed his blood that we might saved be.  
Sing holy, holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God,  
Who was and is and is to come; Sing holy, holy, Lord!  
Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,  
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,  
For Christ is coming soon!  
E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;  
They need no light nor lamp nor sun, for Christ will be their All!

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON John 20:19-31 **P.108**

SERMON *Rev. Michael McLaughlin*

\*SERMON HYMN: The Right Hand of God **#332**

**Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is the sign that God will consummate the work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ.**

**\*GREETINGS**

After an exchange of Peace between the liturgist and the congregation, we encourage you to greet one another. The Greetings will conclude with the first verse of *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*.

ONE: ...The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**ALL: And also with you.**

ONE: Let us pass the peace...

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

**#306**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ONE: ... God of new life,

**ALL: hear our prayer.**

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.**

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERTORY:

Adagio

*Alexandre Guilmant*

OFFERING

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**#606**

**ALL: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*CLOSING HYMN:**

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

**#234**

**\*BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE:

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

*Adrian Vernon Fish*

# REGULAR WEEKLY CALENDAR

## SUNDAY CALENDAR

- **Religion and Culture Class** – 9:30am-10:30am, in Room 6 and on Zoom.
- **Higher Grounds Café** – 9:30am-11am, in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Faithful Living Bible Study** – 9:45am-10:45am in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Adult Morning Bible Study**. 10am-10:45am, in the Library.
- **Nursery** – 9:30am-12:15pm - Ages 5 and under.
- **Children’s Church** - 11:15am, in Room 16
- **Youth Group** – 5pm-7pm, in the Fellowship Hall.

## WEDNESDAY CALENDAR

- **Wednesday Night Gathering**– 5:15pm dinner, 6pm lesson/activities begin.
- **Choir Rehearsal** – 7:30pm, in the Sanctuary.

### STAFF:

The Rev. Michael D. McLaughlin.....Pastor & Head of Staff  
The Rev. Katie Ory.....Dir. TTU PSA, Dir. Children & Youth Ministry  
Paul Thurmond..... Director of Music  
Virginia Fillers.....SoulSong Coordinator  
Amy Ainsley.....Office Administrator

### ELDERS:

2025: Dina Smith, Rick Woods  
2026: Cade Arnold, Josh Doré  
2027: Sidonie Sansom, Dee Tompkins  
**CLERK:** Donna Simpson

### DEACONS:

2025: Chris McCormick, Erica Scott  
2026: Michelle Doré, Ron Ledbetter, Stacey Trent  
2027: Kelly Appleton, Ann Hayes, Tony Lawson,  
Colleen Mestayer, Gabrielle Pate, Shelley  
Wiley

TOMPKINS, Dee	04/05
GAYOSO, Estela	04/06
KIBBONS, Joane	04/06
BATES, Alex	04/10
PHILLIPS, Joseph	04/12
BUTLER, Chet	04/20

MCLAUGHLIN, Madeline	04/21
TRENT, Shella Beth	04/22
ORY, Katie	04/23
HOLLAND, Jonathan	04/25
MCCORMICK, Annabelle	04/27

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