First Presbyterian Church

Established 1988 PCA



Who is First Presbyterian Church?

We belong to the family of the Redeemed.

Transformed by the grace of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are delighting in the supremacy of God in all things as we reach up to Him in worship, reach in to one another with biblical teaching and shepherding care, and reach out to the world with Christ.

So that in everything He might be preeminent. Colossians 1:18

First Presbyterian Church April 17, 2025

Order of Worship

*Please stand if you are able. Bold text indicates congregational response.

Preparation for Worship

Gracious God, as we gather to take the Lord's Supper, a true feast, may we experience the gift of joy. Because you granted your righteousness, mercy, and favor to us through Jesus, may we delight in knowing you have extended friendship to us with yourself, Three-in-One. May our eating and drinking be a sweet taste of the glorious communion we have now and the reunion that will certainly one day come.

Based on *Keep the Feast* Skye Peterson and Ben Shive

Gospel Reading

Matthew 26:6-13

*Hymn of Praise

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

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Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone; Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one; Holy Zion's help forever and her confidence alone. He the body broken for us, raised from death to make us one.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts today: With thy wanted loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray; Be our comfort, light and Shepherd, be our life, our truth and way, And thy fullest benediction shed within these walls always.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants as they ask of thee to gain, What they gain from thee forever and the blessed rest retain, And hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign. Our salvation poured out on us once for all forevermore.

Praise and honor to the Father, praise and honor to the Son, Praise and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One. One in might, and one in glory, while unending ages run! One in might, and one in glory, while unending ages run! *Hymn of Confession

I Hunger and I Thirst

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I hunger and I thirst; Jesus, my manna be: Ye living waters burst out of the rock for me. Thou bruised and broken Bread, my life-long wants supply; As living souls are fed, O feed me, or I die.

Thou true life-giving Vine, let me thy sweetness prove; Renew my life with thine, refresh my soul with love. Rough paths my feet have trod since first their course began; Feed me, thou Bread of God; help me, thou Son of Man.

For still the desert lies my thirsting soul before; O living waters rise within me evermore. I hunger and I thirst; Jesus, my manna be: Ye living waters burst out of the rock for me.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 26:31-56

*Hymn of Comfort

Abide With Me: Fast Falls the Eventide

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Abide with me: fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide: When other helpers fail, and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour; What but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless: Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me. *Hymn of Preparation

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

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Man of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, who came Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood, Sealed my pardon with his blood: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was he; Full atonement! can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was he to die, "It is finished!" was his cry: Now in heav'n exalted high: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring, Then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Serving of the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ, to come forward to the table.

If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. You may use the lyrics of the hymns as well as the Scriptures to guide your praying.

All praise to thee, my God, this night, For all the blessings of the light! Keep me, O keep me, King of kings, Beneath thine own almighty wings.

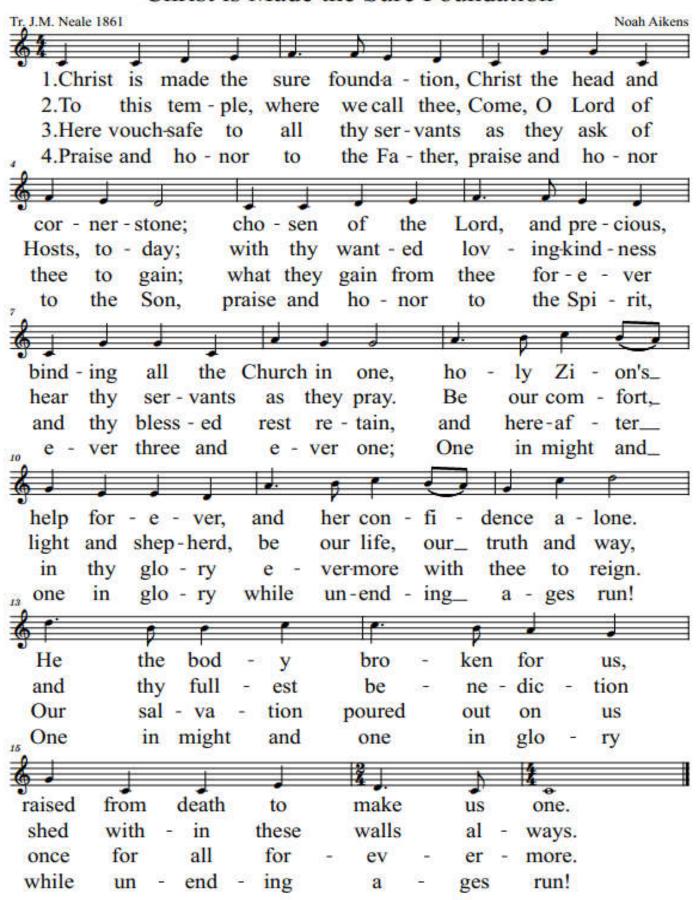
Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son, The ill that I have this day done, That with the world, myself, and thee, I, ere I sleep at peace may be.

Teach me to live, that I may dread The grave as little as my bed. Teach me to die, that so I may rise Glorious at the judgment day.

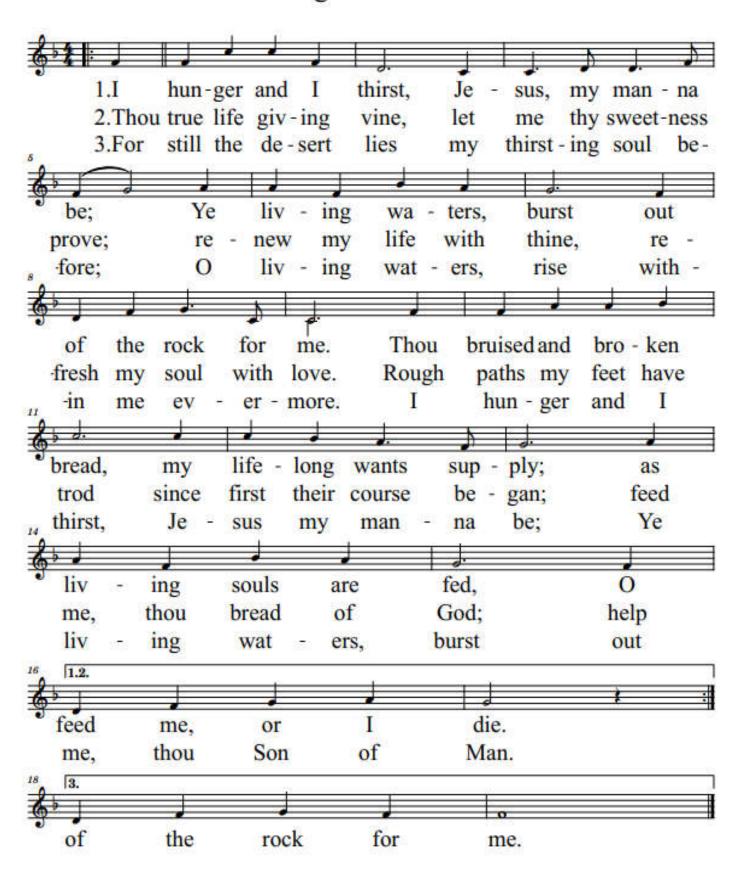
O when shall I, in endless day, Forever chase dark sleep away, And hymns divine with angels sing, All praise to thee, eternal King?

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

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I Hunger and I Thirst



Lyrics: John S.B. Monsell, 1866 Music: Nathan Johnson, 2017

Evening Hymn-All Praise to Thee

Thomas Ken, 1674 Thomas Tallis, 1560

