



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF  
**KIRKWOOD**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP  
June 4, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.  
Trinity Sunday

**Mission:** We are called to be a welcoming and supportive community whose inspiring worship of God encourages everyone to deepen their faith and to respond to the needs of the world with the compassion of Christ.



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

\_\_\_\_\_ **\*All who are able, please stand.** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Chiming of the Hour**

*We encourage you to quiet your minds and hearts for worship.*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

*Sign the Friendship Register at the end of your pew and pass it on.*

## **Organ Voluntary**

"Reflection"

Alfred Fedak

## WE ADDRESS OURSELVES TO GOD

### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: Let us worship the eternal God, the Source of Love and Life, who creates us.

**People: Let us worship Jesus Christ, the Risen One, who lives among us.**

Leader: Let us worship the Spirit, the Holy Fire, who renews us.

**All: To the one true God be praise in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ!**

### **\*Hymn**

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Hymn #1

### **\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

**O Holy God, we acknowledge to you, to ourselves, and to one another that we are not what you have called us to be. We have not stood by our faith, shared our hope, or reached out with love. We have left undone deeds which could have made a difference in the lives of those around us. We have failed to speak and act for peace and justice in our world. Have mercy on our repentance, forgive our sin, and change our lives, for we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### **\*Silent Confessions**

### **\*Assurance of God's Grace**

**\*Congregational Response**      "We Are Forgiven"

Hymn #447

**We are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**\*The Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share that peace with one another.

**Reception of New Members**

Robyn Gornati, Megan and Scott Hussey, and Emily Jacobsen

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

**Scripture Reading**

Psalm 8; Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 492

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Solo**

"I Thank You, Lord"

Joseph M. Martin

*Lord, when I think upon the music of my life, your songs of joy, your love songs in the night, I'm filled with wonder and with praise at the beauty of your grace. I thank you, Lord.*

*And when I gather in this house, your sacred place, and when I sing the hymns and anthems of my faith, I'm filled with hope and gratitude as I lift my heart to you. I thank you, Lord. O, how can I keep from singing? How can I keep from lifting up my voice? Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? How can I help but praise my Lord? How can I keep from praising Christ, my Savior, when he has done so much for me? I will exalt his name and not be silent; God's love has set my music free! Now when I think upon the blessings of this life, the forest deep, the glory of the skies, the promise of the rising sun and the moon when day is done, I thank you, Lord. And when I look into the eyes of those I love, or when I gaze upon the starry night above, my heart is filled with joyful praise, and I bless your holy name. I thank you, Lord. O, how can I keep from singing? How can I keep from lifting up my voice? Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? How can I help but praise the Lord? I will praise the Lord.*

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 28:16-20; Pew Bible, N.T., pg. 34

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Sent Out to Serve

The Rev. Linda Maconochie

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Offertory Sentences**

## **Offertory Solo**

"O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near"

Luigi Zaninelli

*O God, unseen yet every near, Thy everlasting presence may we feel.  
And, thus inspired with holy fear, before Thine altar may we kneel.  
Here may Thy faithful people know the never-ending blessings of Thy love,  
the streams that through the desert flow, the bread of life from Thee above.  
Thus, may we all Thy word obey, for we, dear Lord God, we are Thine;  
and go rejoicing on our way, hearts filled with your love and strength divine.*

## **Prayer of Dedication**

### **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*All are welcome to celebrate Communion.  
The bread is gluten-free to ensure that all are welcome to the table.*

## **Invitation to the Table**

Leader: As God welcomes us, let us welcome each other.

**People: And share our lives for God's glory.**

Leader: With the love the Spirit teaches,

**People: We come to this table of welcome,**

Leader: to be changed forever,

**People: to renew our hearts with joy,**

Leader: Offering our Thanks and Praise!

## **The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Leader: I pray God in Community be with you!

**People: And also with you!**

Leader: May the Holy Three who are One be in your hearts.

**People: May we be filled with imagination, with words, with life itself.**

Leader: Let us sing our praises to God who makes us one with all people.

**All: We join all creation in singing glad songs to our God.**

## **The Lord's Prayer (Unison)**

**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.**

## **Words of Institution**

**Communion Voluntary** "Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether" Charles Callahan

### **Prayer Of Commitment** (Unison)

**Merciful God, we give thanks that you have invited us to this Table. We give thanks that you have received us as members of the body of Christ and have affirmed us as a community of faith. Lead us to live as faithful and dedicated disciples in service to all the world; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## **WE DEPART TO SERVE THE LORD**

**\*Closing Hymn** "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" Hymn #298

### **\*Benediction**

**Organ Voluntary** "Festive Trumpet Tune" David German

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### **Worship Leaders:**

Rev. Linda Maconochie, *Interim Associate Pastor*  
Charles Croissant, *Liturgist*

### **Music Ministry:**

Bill Stein, *Director of Music Ministries*  
Debra Hillabrand, *soloist*

### **Communion Servers:**

George Durnell, Paul Nuckolls, Bill Reeves, Connie Reeves

### **Ushers:**

Georgia Hepp, Wayne Ullery, Joe Marting, Lindsay Marting  
Larry Erwin, *Assistant Usher Captain*  
Bob Schneider, *Assistant Usher Captain*  
Amy Freshwater, *Assistant Usher Captain*  
Carol Layton, *Usher Captain*

### **Livestream Host:**

Gary Hepp

# CHURCH PICNIC

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 AT KIRKWOOD PARK



## **Church Picnic at 11:30 a.m. TODAY!**

Join us at Sugar Creek Pavilion in the heart of Kirkwood Park, near the tennis courts. We are excited to get back to the heart of the picnic – it's potluck! Church will provide hot dogs, buns, condiments, and drinks for the event.

## **Youth Fundraiser: Work Camp Shares**

Our Work Camp trip this summer leaves on July 8th, which is quickly approaching! We have one last opportunity to support the trip through the purchase of Work Camp Shares.

Shares are available for \$15 and in return for your donation you receive:

- a hand-written letter from a Work Camp Student,
- a photo of the group and
- an invitation to our Shareholders Dessert after we return to hear the inside scoop about the trip.



This is our last fundraiser for the trip this summer and we are excited to offer this opportunity for real buy-in on Work Camp! Students are available before and after worship today but you can also get yours today by using the QR code or be in touch with Rob Monroe -

[rmonroe@kirkwoodpres.org](mailto:rmonroe@kirkwoodpres.org).

## **Summer Music at Kirkwood Pres**

Summer Choir will sing three Sundays this summer: June 25, August 13, and August 20. Summer Choir rehearses in the Choir Room at 9:00 a.m. and sings at the 10:00 a.m. service. We don't robe and the music is easily learned. This is a wonderful way to "test drive" Choir if you are interested in joining this Fall! Contact me if you are interested in singing.

Bill Stein, *Director of Music Ministries* - [bstein@kirkwoodpres.org](mailto:bstein@kirkwoodpres.org)



**On June 11<sup>th</sup> our Summer  
Arise Unplugged Service Begins!**

8:30 a.m. Arise Unplugged begins in the Tree of Life  
Chapel 10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

**Second Thursday Worship June 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**

Join us in the sanctuary chancel for a service of Evening Prayer. Taken from the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship, we gather at the end of day to give thanks to God and offer our prayers for the world, our community, and our neighbors. Scripture and music will also be included in this service. All are welcome to attend and offer your feedback the next day on the service format!

We ask everyone who attends to enter the church via the south facing red doors directly into the sanctuary. An usher will be there to greet you.

If you have questions about this service, or our upcoming Second Thursday Worship services on July 13 and August 10, please contact Rev. Linda Maconochie or Bill Stein in the church office.

**Birthday Card Collection**

Friends of longtime First Pres member Ellie Coutts contacted the church office requesting we help spread the word about a surprise for Ellie's upcoming 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 28. Carolyn Hampel is collecting cards and short videos from friends that will be presented to Ellie at her home in Shelton, WA on her birthday. If you would like to write a card, please send it to Carolyn Hampel, 1901 Gastorf, Wildwood, MO 63011. Videos may be submitted at <https://share.vidday.com/e/b-ckf3hf> and will be added to a video compilation.

## Little Free Pantry

Our Little Free Pantry is a part of the solution for those with food insecurities. Our Little Free Pantry is located near the Jefferson Avenue entrance of the church. Whether there is a need for food, or a need to give, our Little Free Pantry helps feed neighbors, and nourishes all of us. Please give what you 'can' (we especially need canned meals/meats, fruit, and veggies).

## Seeking Feedback on Livestream

If you are watching worship at First Presbyterian via livestream or Facebook, we'd love to hear from you. Or, if you have an idea for how our online presentation can be better, email us as at [office@firstpres.org](mailto:office@firstpres.org), or call one of the pastors at the church office (314) 965-0326.

## Hosts & Bakers Needed!

First Pres Café is back and we need hosts, bakers and contributors of snacks to help keep it up and running! This food will be available by the coffee outside the chapel in the table with the casserole pans outside the Lounge. To sign up online, visit: <https://bit.ly/3mP8YVd> or scan the QR code. For questions, contact Missy at [wulffmk@yahoo.com](mailto:wulffmk@yahoo.com).



## Wednesday Book Club

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, June 28 at 1:30 p.m. over Zoom. We will be discussing *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. Based on a true story, a record-breaking thoroughbred becomes America's greatest stud sire. Please contact [julia@abreu.net](mailto:julia@abreu.net) for more info.

## How to Give Online

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