



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN OF
KIRKWOOD

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

June 7, 2026

Second Sunday after Pentecost

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

***Please rise in body or in spirit.**

Chiming of the Hour

We encourage you to quiet your minds and hearts for worship at this time.

Welcome and Announcements

Sign the Friendship Register at the end of your pew and pass it to your neighbor.

Organ Voluntary

If You Stumble, God Will Protect You

JS Bach

WE ADDRESS OURSELVES TO GOD

*Call to Worship

Leader: As Abraham ran to meet the strangers, so our God runs to meet us here.

People: God invites us to sit, to rest, to receive.

Leader: As Sarah prepared food for the strangers, so our Lord prepares a table for us here.

People: Let us meet together at the table where all are welcome.

Leader: As we gather, let us open our hearts to the possibility that God's grace can still surprise us.

People: Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? Let us worship the Lord our God.

*Hymn

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Hymn #32

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Gracious and Faithful God, we confess that we are people who fail to notice goodness in our midst. We overlook people like Sarah, whose invisible work often goes unrecognized. And we fail to extend hospitality to those who need our help. Forgive us, O God, for failing to extend Your hospitality to others. Forgive us for the times we have overlooked and undervalued people whose work is unnoticed. Open our eyes, that we would see through the lens of love, that we would notice those who go unnoticed, and that we would cherish those who are so often turned away.

***Silent Confessions**

***Assurance of God's Grace**

***Response to Confession**

We Are Forgiven
We are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Hymn #447

***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.

A Conversation with Young Disciples

All children are invited to come forward for the children's message.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Acts 9:36-43; Pew Bible, N.T., pg. 128

Leader: Holy wisdom, Holy word.

People: Thanks be to God.

Solo

As Long As I Have Breath

Deborah Govenor

As long as I have breath, I will praise You, Lord. As long as I have life, let my soul rejoice. In times of sore distress, in times of loneliness, as long as I have breath, I will praise You, Lord. As long as I have breath, I will bless You, Lord. As long as life is mine, I will sing your song. Your joy brings forth my praise, Your peace fills all my days, as long as I have breath, I will praise You, Lord. Let me know Your loving kindness every day as You walk beside me pointing out the way. As long as I have being, I will trust in You. You are my God, I lift my soul to You! As long as I have breath, I will serve You, Lord. As long as life is mine, I'll exalt Your word. And when this life shall pass, and I'm at home at last, through all eternity, I will praise You, Lord.

Scripture Reading

Genesis 18:1-15; Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 14

Leader: Holy wisdom, Holy word.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Hidden Hospitality

Rev. Rachel Finken

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Sentences

Offertory Solo

A New Psalm of Celebration

Joseph Martin

*Shout unto God and sing a jubilant song. Rejoice and sing to the Lord. Shout unto God and raise a jubilant voice, for God is worthy of our honor, God is worthy of our praise. Rejoice and sing to the Lord, sing a new song. Rejoice and sing, our God is worthy and faithful. God grants His mercy forever and ever. With every breath let our hearts be grateful, for God is worthy of honor. Alleluia! Our God is worthy of praise. God's work is mighty among us. His name's above every name, worthy of praise. Alleluia!
Sing unto God a new song!*

Prayer of Dedication

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Leader: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

People: They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God.

Leader: Our Saviour invites all who love him to share the feast which he has prepared.

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right...therefore with all creation we sing your praise.

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: Gracious God, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us...

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.

The Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Communion Solo

Remember Me

Deborah Govenor

*In the night in which our Savior was betrayed he broke the bread and to his friends he said, "Take and eat, this is my Body given for you, take and drink, this blood of mine is shed for you. Do this always to remember me."
In the night in which our Savior was denied he bowed his head, and to the Father cried, "If it be Your will, let this cup pass from me. If it be Your will, spare me this agony. In my darkest hour will You remember me? Remember me." In the night in which my deepest doubts are known, you come to me and I am not alone.
When I taste your blood and body given for me, when I hear your prayer in dark Gethsemane,
then I know you will remember me. O Lord, remember me.*

Prayer Of Commitment (Unison)

Holy God, we thank You for this feast of grace and life. As we have been served, help us to serve our neighbors. As we have been fed, help us to feed all who are hungry. As we have been loved, help us to love the world- because in Christ Jesus, You have loved us. Amen.

WE DEPART TO SERVE THE LORD

*Closing Hymn

To Abraham and Sarah

Hymn #51

*Benediction

Organ Voluntary

Fantasie für das Pedal

Johann Ludwig Krebs

Worship Leaders:

Rev'd. Gary Noonan, *Senior Pastor*; Rev. Rachel Finken, *Associate Pastor*

Music Ministry:

Bill Stein, *Director of Music Ministries*; Sophie Shugart-Fischer, *soloist*

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Communion Servers: Georgia Hepp, Bill Reeves, Adam Shipley, Wanda Ware

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