




First
Presbyterian
Church

GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI



SO WE, THOUGH MANY, ARE ONE BODY IN
CHRIST, AND INDIVIDUALLY MEMBERS ONE
OF ANOTHER. HAVING GIFTS THAT DIFFER
ACCORDING TO THE GRACE GIVEN TO US,
LET US USE THEM: IF PROPHECY, IN
PROPORTION TO OUR FAITH;
ROMANS 12:5-6

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Youth Sunday/Senior Recognition

11:00 a.m.

Large Print Hymnals, Bibles, and Hearing Devices are available in the back of the sanctuary.
At the end of the service, please return these to the back table.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

The time to begin preparing for worship is no later than the sounding of the chimes.

*The congregation is invited to stand.

†Seating of those arriving after worship has begun.

CHIMING

PRELUDE

Partia on AZMON, No. 4 Scherzo

arr. Mark Brampton Smith

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke Archer

One: We gather as the body of Christ.

All: **We are many individuals,
but together we are one.**

One: Each of us has our own gifts,
our own calling,
our own role.

All: **But all of us proclaim Jesus Christ is the Messiah!**

†*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Procession of Seniors for 2024

Charlie Robbins, Cross

Penn Camp, Christ Candle

Caroline Chaney, Bible

Ava Scott, Spirit Ribbon

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Anderson Chaney

INSTRUMENTAL SOLO

Processional

Linda Wood

Caroline Chaney, harp

CONFESSION OF SIN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Miller Calhoun

**Almighty God,
When faced with earthly powers that seem overwhelming,
we crumble.**

We fear this world.

**We fear losing our status, our stability, our station
more than we fear You.**

**Forgive our shortcomings,
and teach us to trust in You when we are at risk
for what we know is right.**

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

†*RESPONSE, Hymn 248, stanza 2

Lee Brock
HYMN TO JOY

**Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend.
Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP

- Presentation to the Youth Committee, Elder Taylor Calhoun, Chair
- Presentation to the Seniors

Whitney Avritt
Miller Arant

A TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

(After which preschool children may be taken to the nursery in the Education Building)

Cate Lovelady and Ainsley Melton

ANTHEM

Good, Good Father

C. Tomlin and P. Barrett

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think you're like, but I've heard the tender whispers of love in the dead of the night, and you tell me that you're pleased and that I'm never alone. You're a good, good Father, it's who you are, and I'm loved by you, it's who I am. I've seen many searching for answers far and wide, but I know we're all searching for answers only you provide. 'Cause you know just what we need before we say a word. You're a good, good Father, it's who you are, and I'm loved by you, it's who I am. Because you are perfect in all of your ways, you are perfect in all your ways to us. Oh, its love so undeniable I can hardly speak. Peace so unexplainable, I can hardly think. As you call me deeper still into love. You're a good, good Father, it's who you are, and I'm loved by you, it's who I am. Because you are perfect in all of your ways, you are perfect in all your ways to us.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Olivia Brock

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament
New Testament

Deuteronomy 14:2
Romans 12:1-8

STUDENT TESTIMONY

Penn Camp

STUDENT TESTIMONY

Caroline Chaney

DUET

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

Charlie Robbins, guitar
Caroline Chaney, piano

STUDENT TESTIMONY

Charlie Robbins

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN 716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed

Ava Scott

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

(When you hear, "Lord, in your mercy" respond with "Hear Our Prayer.")

Marie Brock, Alli Rhodes Calhoun,
and Lela Archer

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D)

(Bm)

(G)

F

Dm

B \flat 

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
 2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D)

(Bm)

F

Dm



end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
 Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
 grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G)

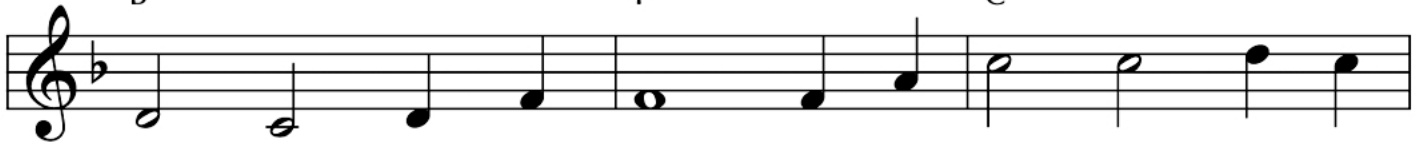
(D)

(A)

B \flat

F

C



cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
 joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
 spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm)

(F \sharp m)

(Bm)

(G)

(A)

(D)

Dm

Am

Dm

B \flat

C

F



to you, of - fering up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
 la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
 shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm)

(G)

(D)

Dm

B \flat

F



rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
 and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

Offertory

Charlie Robbins

*Doxology with Alleluias

LASST UNS EFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer

Buren Brock

*HYMN 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Whitney Avritt

*RECESSIONAL

Celebration!

Charles Callahan

(Please remain in your pews until all youth have exited the sanctuary, then greet them out front along Main Street.)

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My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 353

1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and
 2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un-
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

right - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
 chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my
 whelm-ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
 him be found, dressed in his right - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

Refrain

whol-ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; all
 then is all my hope and stay.
 less to stand be - fore the throne.

oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth - er ground is sink-ing sand.

This hymn develops the imagery of Jesus' remark (Matthew 7:24–27 / Luke 6:47–49) that those who believe in him and act on that belief are like someone who builds a house on a rock. The text is set to a tune created for it by a prolific 19th-century American composer and editor.

WELCOME TO THIS HOUR OF WORSHIP

We hope that you will be made to feel welcome here and that you will find this service helpful to you in your Christian life. If you are a visitor, please know that we are glad for your presence here. Please help us to know you better by filling out the Friendship Register and then pass it to the person seated next to you. Take note with whom you are worshipping with and greet them warmly! Welcome one another to the Lord's House! Should you be interested in joining this congregation, please check the appropriate box on the Friendship Register and we will be in touch with you, or you may call the church office at (662) 453-4680. The Session meets periodically at 10:35 a.m. on Sunday to receive new members into our congregation.

A Nursery Is Available for children 3 years and younger in Room 103 in the Van Arnold Education Building located directly across the street from the Sanctuary.

Accessibility: Large print Bibles, hymnals, and hearing devices are available in the back of the Sanctuary. At the end of the service, please return these to the back tables.

Cell Phones and Photography: In order to maintain reverence during the service, please silence all cell phones and other communication devices and refrain from unauthorized photography or recordings.

Internet Broadcast: To watch the service live on a computer, tablet, or smart phone, go to www.firstgreenwood.net/video. Worship bulletins are available under the "Worship" tab on the website, as are archived services. You may also access the worship service live by going to the church's Facebook page.

Community Food Pantry: Please bring canned food and place it in the Food Pantry Collection Box near the handicap entrance.

Hospital Visitation: Please call the church office to let us know whether you are in the hospital or know of any church member in the hospital, since the hospital here no longer lists names of hospitalized persons on a public register. **Elder Susan Beckham** is the visitation elder for **May**.

Ushers for Today: Luke Archer, Landon Austin, Brewer Avritt, Buren Brock, Lee Brock, Miller Calhoun, Anderson Chaney, Carson Jenkins, and Drake Neathery

Security Detail: Brett Canterbury and Miller King

Children's Church for 4 & 5-year-old children with Alan and Audra Ellis

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 5, 2024

- 9:30 am Youth Sunday Rehearsal
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time in Shuler Hall
- 11:00 am Worship/Youth Sunday/
Senior Recognition
- 12:15 pm Senior Luncheon with Parents
- 5:00 pm PYF Crawfish Boil

Monday, May 6, 2024

- 10:00 am PW Coordinating Team
- 5:00 pm Youth Committee
- 6:00 pm Worship and Music Comm.

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

- 8:30 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

- 11:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study
- 2:30 pm Liturgy
- 5:30 pm Youth Dinner
- 6:00 pm Chancel Choir
- 6:00 pm Youth Bible Study

Thursday, May 9, 2024

- 6:45 am Men's Bible Breakfast

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of our 2024 graduating seniors by the Youth Committee.

Today is Youth Sunday and Senior Recognition. Our youth will be leading in all aspects of worship today. Our graduating seniors for 2024 include: Penn Camp, Caroline Chaney, Tate DuBard, Ann Gerard Mohamed, Charlie Robbins, Ava Scott, Charlie Stewart. A luncheon for them and their parents is being provided by the Youth Committee in the Church Parlor immediately following the worship service.

April 30, 2024 Newsletters are available in the Narthex this morning.

PYF Crawfish Party this evening at 5:00 p.m. at the Arant's, 1208 Hemmingway St.

PW Coordinating Team meets Monday, May 6, at 10:00 a.m. in the Session Room

Youth Committee meets Monday, May 6, at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Youth Building

Worship and Music Committee meets Monday, May 6, at 6:00 p.m. in the Session Room.

Women's Bible Study meets Tuesday, May 7, at 8:30 a.m. in the Jim and Ina Barrett Memorial Library.

Wednesday Bible Study meets Wednesday, May 8, at 11:00 a.m. in the Church Parlor.

Youth Bible Study this Wednesday, May 8, in the Parish Youth Building. Youth gather at 5:30 p.m. for dinner for all. Bible Study begins at 6:00 p.m.

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study meets Thursday, May 9, at 6:45 a.m. Dr. Chaney teaching will be teaching on James 1:13-18. All men are invited to attend. Please bring your Bible.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered next Sunday, May 12, as part of worship. You are encouraged to prepare yourself through prayer, confession, repentance, and meditation.

Presbyterian Women Spring Luncheon, Monday, May 13, at 12:00 p.m. in the Church Parlor. Cost is \$15 payable by check to PW, or through Venmo to @Ashley-Farmer-34. Please make your reservation through the Church Office by Wednesday, May 8.

Looking Ahead:

May 19 Day of Pentecost – Remember to wear Red and White!
Installation/Ordination of Elders and Deacons,
Class of 2027

June 3-6 Vacation Bible School at FPC, 8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m. for students who have completed 4k-5th grades.

June 23-28 Fun in the Sun, St. Simon Island, GA

July 22-27 The Great Escape Youth Camp for middle-schoolers in Ocoee, TN