

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Hymn Sing Sunday

June 28, 2026

10:30 a.m. Worship



Golden Symphony: A Celestial Dance of Musical Notes

Asih Wayuni

**I will sing of the Lord's great love forever;
with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known
through all generations.**

Psalm 89:1

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Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church

This service is being livestreamed and can be viewed on our YouTube channel in real time or as a recording. **Large-print copies of this order of service**, as well as **audio enhancement devices** are available **from the ushers**.

We gather on Sunday for 3 reasons:

- **To seek God**- whom we find in sacred text and sacrament, in music and in song, in prayer, in the beauty of this space, in the stillness where we can hear our hearts. We offer God our thanks and praise, our lament and longing, and our resources. We let go of burdens and receive grace and forgiveness. We see the One our hearts love.
- **To practice Community** – rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. To break bread with those whom we love and those whom we need to love more fully. We practice things our culture does not emphasize: resting, forgiving, sharing. Jesus asked us to love one another as he loved us, and we cannot do so without practice.
- **To listen for our Call**- often an invitation to go out and be or do or remember. God is speaking all the time: through conscience, nature, friends, and certainly scripture. We gather to listen for that Call and to recommit ourselves to discipleship.

Information on our common life can be found on our website www.fpcsb.net, along with sermons and newsletters. You can participate in our work by supporting us financially with a one-time or sustaining donation.

Children are **welcome** in worship.

OUR NEXT COMMUNION will be Sunday, July 5th.

Morning Worship†

Lector: Mary Bolaños

REFLECTION BEFORE THE SERVICE

The Psalms are often referred to as the hymnbook of ancient Israel. They were used extensively in religious ceremonies and personal worship, allowing individuals and communities to express their gratitude, joy, and reverence towards God. Many psalms focus on praising God's goodness and creation, inviting worshippers to enter God's presence with thanksgiving. --Ministryvoice.com

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

PRELUDE *Reflections on "Jesus Loves Me"* W. Zeitler
Allow the music to usher you into sacred space and time.

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT *Morning Has Broken* BUNESSAN
(Verse 1)

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(based on Psalm 89)*

Let us sing of God's steadfast love forever;

✠ **With my mouth I will proclaim God's faithfulness to all generations.**

Let us declare that God's steadfast love is established forever;

✠ **God's faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

***HYMN 15** *All Creatures of Our God and King* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

PRAYER of CONFESSION

We have been called to love our God with all our heart, mind, strength and soul and to love our neighbor as ourselves, but our lives are constricted and self-consumed. We have failed to love God, our neighbor and ourselves as we should. Let us make the good confession before God and others, first in silence and then together.

(Silent confession)

† The symbols you will see in this order of worship mean:

*** Stand if you are able** ✠ **The congregation will read.**

✠ God of the risen Christ, you broke the power of sin and evil. And yet we still live in the tombs of forgetfulness, anxiety and fear. We have failed to love you as we should. We have neglected to love our neighbor. Indeed, we have even failed to love ourselves. Release us from the tombs that terrify us, so that we can see your image in one another and in your good creation. Indeed, free us from the graves of self-hatred, so that we can see ourselves as your children. Amen.

The mercy of the Lord is sure. In Christ, we are forgiven and set free from the chains that bind us so that we can be your people.

✠ Thanks be to God!

*HYMN 1

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

Psalm 90: 1-2 (CEB)

Lord, you have been our help,
generation after generation.
Before the mountains were born,
before you birthed the earth and the inhabited world—
from forever in the past
to forever in the future, you are God.

TIME with the YOUNG DISCIPLES

[After Time with the Young Disciples, children are encouraged to worship with us. There are activity bags and books available.]

*HYMN 69

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM

*HYMN 649

Amazing Grace

AMAZING GRACE

Psalm 92:1-4 (CEB)

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, Most High;
to proclaim your loyal love in the morning,
your faithfulness at nighttime
with the ten-stringed harp,
with the melody of the lyre
because you've made me happy, Lord,
by your acts.
I sing with joy because of your handiwork.

*HYMN 8

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA

REFLECTION

Sing Praises

Rev. Dr. Brian S. Symonds

***HYMN 157**

I Danced in the Morning

LORD OF THE DANCE

Psalm 95:1-7

Come, let's sing out loud to the Lord!

Let's raise a joyful shout to the rock of our salvation!

Let's come before him with thanks!

Let's shout songs of joy to him!

The Lord is a great God,

the great king over all other gods.

The earth's depths are in his hands;

the mountain heights belong to him;

the sea, which he made, is his

along with the dry ground,

which his own hands formed.

Come, let's worship and bow down!

Let's kneel before the Lord, our maker!

He is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture,

the sheep in his hands.

***HYMN 611**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

THE OFFERING of OUR TITHES and GIFTS

(We offer our tithes and gifts to be part of God's purposes in the world, and we invite you to take part. You may place your offering in the basket in front or give it to the usher. You may always send gifts by mail or online.)

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH

✠ Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost, Amen.

***PRAYER OF THANKS**

O God, may these gifts be used as a witness to your love, peace and justice at work in the world, renewing the face of the earth.

✠ Amen.

***HYMN 451**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

OPEN MY EYES

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and OUR 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.**

Psalm 103:1-5 (CEB)

Let my whole being bless the Lord!
Let everything inside me bless his holy name!
Let my whole being bless the Lord
and never forget all his good deeds:
how God forgives all your sins,
heals all your sickness,
saves your life from the pit,
crowns you with faithful love and compassion,
and satisfies you with plenty of good things
so that your youth is made fresh like an eagle's.

***HYMN 340**

This Is My Song

FINLANDIA

***HYMN 251**

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

MFURAHINI, HALELUYA

Psalm 118:1-11 (CEB)

Give thanks to the Lord because he is good,
because his faithful love lasts forever.
Let Israel say it:
"God's faithful love lasts forever!"
Let the house of Aaron say it:
"God's faithful love lasts forever!"
Let those who honor the Lord say it:
"God's faithful love lasts forever!"
In tight circumstances, I cried out to the Lord.
The Lord answered me with wide-open spaces.
The Lord is for me—I won't be afraid.
What can anyone do to me?
The Lord is for me—as my helper.
I look in victory on those who hate me.
It's far better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust any human.

It's far better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust any human leader.
All the nations surrounded me,
but I cut them down in the Lord's name.
Yes, they surrounded me on every single side,
but I cut them down in the Lord's name.

***HYMN 623** *I've Got Peace Like a River* PEACE LIKE A RIVER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***MOMENT for REFLECTION**

***CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 625

How Great Thou Art *Stuart K. Hine*
(Verses 1-2)

POSTLUDE

*Many of the hymns chosen for this morning's worship service have
been chosen by you, the congregation. Your creativity and
imagination are gifts to this community of faith.*

-- The Worship Committee

GREETER: Susan Skoglund

USHERS: Margaret Doane, *Lead Usher*
Marilyn Kraft, *Hospitality Usher*

SOUND ENGINEERS: Dan Direen, Brent Nord, Brandon Turner

LIVESTREAM TEAM: James Welte, Kevin Lamb,
Oliver Lamb, Lynn Usher

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Bob Saenz, Judy Steppins

Elders: Jeanne Clark, Kathy Showman, Norm Wallis

Deacons: Joyce Lyons, Amy Gano, Rick Rodridguez

This Weeks' Celebrations

Jun 28 Ava June Bodner
Nancy Horstmann
Shirley Raabe
Brad & Amy Smith

Jun 30 Rhyland Emery
French
Rose King
Randy & Jenny Mantei
Jul 3 Mario Bolaños
Phil & Lynda Savage

The Church office will be closed on the following days in July:

Monday, July 6th
Monday, July 13th

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Thank you for your generous support of our food participants.

Thank you for your generous donations of shelf-stable foods. A suggestion list is available at reception, and on our website. We encourage bargain shopping since all donations can be put to good use. **Currently we would especially appreciate jars (~16 oz) of peanut butter, cans of vegetables (e.g. corn, green beans), or pop-top meal in a can (e.g. ravioli).**

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How Can We Reclaim Jesus from Empire? How did Western Christianity become intertwined with systems of empire — and how can we reconnect to the heart of Jesus’ teachings? Explore this question and more at The Center for Action and Contemplation’s next online gathering. Secure your online seat by July 9 to get access to the live event and the recording. You are invited into a deeper exploration of faith, power, and compassion.

HOW CAN WE RECLAIM JESUS FROM EMPIRE?

Featuring: Brian McLaren, Randy Woodley, and Edith Woodley

Date and Time: Friday, July 10, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Pacific Time

Location: Online via Zoom with Recorded Replay

Cost: \$95, \$30, \$10, or \$5

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Or copy and paste the following into your browser

https://cac.org/event/how-can-we-reclaim-jesus-from-empire/?utm_source=email&utm_medium=registration+open&utm_campaign=VG+3+Empire&utm_content=registration

*Scenes from our Juneteenth celebration.
Photos by Dave Thomas.*



Music Box

The verses to 'Jesus Loves Me' were written by Anna Bartlett Warner (1827 -1915). Anna's father was Henry Warner, a wealthy New York City lawyer. When he lost most of his fortune in the 1837 depression, the family was forced to move to their summer home (Good Craig) on Constitution Island in the Hudson River. It was then that Anna and her sister Susan Warner began writing to earn money. They also conducted Bible classes for cadets at the nearby fledgling Military Academy at West Point. (Which has grown a bit.)

The lyrics to 'Jesus Loves Me' first appeared as a poem in the context of a novel called *Say and Seal*, written by Anna's sister Susan and published in 1860, in which the words were spoken as a comforting poem to a dying child.

In 1862 William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868) supplied the tune and added his own chorus "Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me..." Bradbury was born in Maine, studied music in Germany, and returned to the U.S. to become a professional organist and choir director. In 1854 he founded the Bradbury Piano Company with his brother. He died aged 52.

When composing "Reflections on 'Jesus Loves Me'", I took childhood memories of this song and reflected on them through the lens of the joys and sorrows that have intervened over the decades. Some childhood ideas, dreams, and experiences are, of course, left far behind. But others end up defining the course of our lives - although perhaps reframed and deepened by the hard-won perspective of time. As a mature man, I still say "Yes, Jesus Loves Me", but my understanding of what that means is very different from what it meant to me as a child. Yet both understandings are true.

-- William Zeidler



The seal of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is a symbolic statement of the church's heritage, identity, and mission in contemporary form. Its power depends on both its simplicity and complexity, as well as its traditional and enduring qualities.

The basic symbols in the seal are the cross, Scripture, the dove, and flames.

As a church of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), our congregational life is governed by the Ruling Elders of our current Session:

Sue Alexander, Jeanne Clark, Kathy Showman, Norm Wallis,
Pat Morris, Susan Skoglund, Katie Smith, Neal Williams,
Robin Edwards, John-Paul Fletcher, Jon Horstmann, Lynda Savage,
and Clerk of Session Amy Smith

and supported by our Board of Deacons:

Kristine French, Joyce Lyons, Joanna Nord, Mindy Rueda,
Amy Gano, Rick Rodriguez, Jim Siegmund, Kyle Smith,
Rebecca Allen, Brent Nord, Dave Thomas, and Chris Wright-Thomas.