

**GATHERING**

*Holy One, thank you for the gift of this new day. Please help me to stay mindful of your creation and your teachings as I travel through it. Empower me to see and spread the good news of your grace for all people. Amen.*

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**MOMENT FOR MISSION**

Nursery

**PRELUDE**

Aria on a Chaconne

J. Martinson

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come into the presence of the Most High God.

**For our Savior carries us through our places of despair.**

Our Savior is our peace,

**even in times of trouble.**

We are a holy temple of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Come; let us worship God.**

\* **HYMN 331**

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

National Hymn

**CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever. We confess that we act as if we are in control, as if you will bless whatever we do. If we think of others at all, it is with an eye toward their usefulness to us. If we consider your creation, it is to ponder what benefits us. Restore your creation to full health and feed the multitudes from the abundance of your merciful power. Grow in us a deeper desire to love Christ with the fullness of your love and to glorify him, along with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Now, O Lord, transform us as we continue our confession in silence.**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\* **ACT OF PRAISE**

Gloria Patri

Hymn 581

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**GOSPEL READING**

Mark 8:31-38 (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

NT pg.155

**Thanks be to God.**

**SOLO**

If with All Your Hearts

F. Mendelssohn

*Elijah Adongo, tenor*

*"Ye people, rend your hearts, and not your garments for your transgressions the prophet Elijah hath sealed the heavens through the Word of God. I therefore say to ye, forsake your idols, return to God; for He is slow to anger, and merciful, and kind, and gracious, and repenteth Him of all evil." "If with all your hearts ye truly seek me, ye shall ever surely find me." Thus saith our God. Oh! That I knew where I might find Him, that I might even come before His presence!*

*(Children will remain seated with their families for the Time for Young Disciples.)*

- \* **HYMN 450** Be Thou My Vision Slane
- OLD TESTAMENT READING** Genesis 37:17b-36 (NRSV)  
This is the Word of the Lord. OT pg. 34  
**Thanks be to God.**
- SERMON** A Turn for the Worse Rev. Mark Hults
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**RESPONDING**

- \* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**  
**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; on 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.**
- OFFERING**  
**OFFERTORY SOLO** His Name So Sweet arr. N. Carroll  
*Elijah Adongo, tenor*  
*I just come from the fountain, Lord, his name so sweet. O brothers, I love Jesus, his name so sweet. O sisters, I love Jesus, his name so sweet. My Lordy, I just come from the fountain, Lord, his name so sweet.*
- \* **DOXOLOGY** Hymn 606  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*
- \* **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**  
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
- \* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THE 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.**

**SENDING**

- \* **HYMN 363** Rejoice, the Lord Is King! Darwall's 148<sup>th</sup>
- \* **BENEDICTION**
- \* **POSTLUDE** 'Hallelujah' has been restored D. Locklair

## TODAY IN WORSHIP

**WORSHIP LEADERS:** Rev. Mark Hults, Scott Stuart, Vicki Sumner

**ELDER:** Tim Schubert

**ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND ORGANIST:** Mitch Rorick

**USHERS:** Roger Bachmann, Marilyn Bachmann, Pam Bailey, Carol Turner, Cyndie Williams

**VIDEO TEAM:** Paul Bennett, Fred Lundy, Parker Lundy, John Rayl

**SOUND:** Frank Counts

**THIS SUNDAY, WE SAY GOODBYE** to Elijah Adongo, Andia Akifuma, and Eliana. We are grateful for their presence with us and for the incredible gift of music that Elijah shared in worship at First Presbyterian Church for the past five years. The family will be moving back to Kenya at the end of the month. Elijah will begin a teaching position at Kenyatta University in Kenya starting in fall. Andia will be on job search.

**CHURCH TRIUMPHANT:** We extend our sympathy and offer the prayers of our congregation to her family upon the passing of Dorothy House, who joined the Church Triumphant on July 2, 2021. A graveside service was held on Saturday at Oak Lawn Cemetery in Lake City.

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**Thank you for joining us in worship today.** We pray that you experience Christ's presence in our midst and that His presence will sustain you in the week ahead. Visitors are welcome to participate in the worship and the work of First Presbyterian Church. You can find a "Three Steps to Membership" card with information about how to join the church in the pew racks. If you feel a call to commit your life to Jesus Christ and His Church, please speak to the pastor or an elder after worship.

**Prayer of Belief:** *Lord Jesus Christ, I admit I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment, and offering forgiveness. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior. Amen.* (If you are saying this prayer for the first time today, please let the pastor or elders on duty know.)

## 331 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

(optional)

1 God of the a - ges, whose al-might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense.  
 way. Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day.

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 Be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay:  
 Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease.  
 Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system includes an optional instrumental introduction. The lyrics are aligned with the vocal line. The score features various musical notations including triplets, slurs, and dynamic markings.

This hymn was generated by 19th-century centennial celebrations: the words by the Declaration of Independence and the music by the adoption of the United States Constitution. Despite these origins, no specific nation is mentioned in this hymn of praise and prayer for peace.

TEXT: Daniel Crane Roberts, 1876, alt.  
 MUSIC: George William Warren, 1892

NATIONAL HYMN  
 10.10.10.10

<sup>31</sup> Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup> He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup> But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." <sup>34</sup> He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup> For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup> For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup> Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup> Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD

# 450 Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) E<sup>b</sup> (G) A<sup>b</sup> (D/F#) E<sup>b</sup>/G (A7) B<sup>b</sup>7 (D) E<sup>b</sup>

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;  
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) B<sup>b</sup> (D) E<sup>b</sup> (G) A<sup>b</sup> (A) B<sup>b</sup>

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) A<sup>b</sup> (D) E<sup>b</sup> (F#m7) Gm7 (G) A<sup>b</sup> (A) B<sup>b</sup>

thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;  
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) E<sup>b</sup>/G (G) A<sup>b</sup> (D) E<sup>b</sup>

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.  
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

TEXT: Irish poem; trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912, alt.  
 MUSIC: Irish ballad; harm. David Evans, 1927  
 Music Harm. © 1927 Oxford University Press

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Genesis 37:17b-36 (NRSV)

<sup>17b</sup> So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. <sup>18</sup> They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. <sup>19</sup> They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. <sup>20</sup> Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." <sup>21</sup> But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." <sup>22</sup> Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" – that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. <sup>23</sup> So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; <sup>24</sup> and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. <sup>25</sup> Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. <sup>26</sup> Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? <sup>27</sup> Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. <sup>28</sup> When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt. <sup>29</sup> When Reuben returned to the pit and saw that Joseph was not in the pit, he tore his clothes. <sup>30</sup> He returned to his brothers, and said, "The boy is gone; and I, where can I turn?" <sup>31</sup> Then they took Joseph's robe, slaughtered a goat, and dipped the robe in the blood. <sup>32</sup> They had the long robe with sleeves taken to their father, and they said, "This we have found; see now whether it is your son's robe or not." <sup>33</sup> He recognized it, and said, "It is my son's robe! A wild animal has devoured him; Joseph is without doubt torn to pieces." <sup>34</sup> Then Jacob tore his garments, and put sackcloth on his loins, and mourned for his son many days. <sup>35</sup> All his sons and all his daughters sought to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted, and said, "No, I shall go down to Sheol to my son, mourning." Thus his father bewailed him. <sup>36</sup> Meanwhile the Midianites had sold him in Egypt to Potiphar, one of Pharaoh's officials, the captain of the guard.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Rejoice, the Lord Is King! 363

Descant

4 Re-joice in glo-rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

- 1 Re-joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a-dore!
- 2 Our Sav-ior, Je-sus, reigns, the God of truth and love;
- 3 His king-dom can-not fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
- 4 Re-joice in glo-rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

and gath-er all the saints to their e-ter-nal home.

Re-joice, give thanks, and sing, and tri-umph ev-er-more.  
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a-bove.  
the keys of death and hell are to our Je-sus given.  
and gath-er all the saints to their e-ter-nal home.

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Re-joice, a-gain I say, re-joice!

Each stanza of this enthronement text prepares for the final line of the refrain, based on Philippians 4:4. "Lord" is here a title of Christ rather than a reference to the undivided Trinity. The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) captures the mood well.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1746, alt.  
MUSIC: John Darwall, 1770; desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson, 20th cent.  
Music Desc. © 1985 Hymns Ancient & Modern (admin. Hope Publishing Company)

DARWALL'S 148TH  
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## GLORIFY GOD

The Local Missions Committee is participating in Gainesville Community Ministry's *Backpack Drive for Kids*. Filled backpacks will be distributed to families at GCM starting on July 28. You may bring school supplies (empty or filled backpacks, water bottles, earbuds, or basic supplies) to the yellow school bus in Gordon Hall on Sundays in July or to the Reverse Drive-Thru on Sunday, July 25. Donations can also be brought directly to GCM (238 SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave) Mondays through Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon. You may donate financially through FPC or directly at [GCMHELP.org](http://GCMHELP.org). Thanks for your support of students in our neighborhood!

The Church Office will be closed on Fridays through August 6. Our regular hours will be Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thank you for your understanding.

## MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST

**Nursery Information:** We are working diligently to reopen our church nursery. We have formed a nursery sub-committee with the goal of hiring a Nursery Coordinator and enlisting the nursery team to create a safe atmosphere for our six-week through VPK-aged children during the worship service. While waiting, please remember the sanctuary is a house of worship for all of God's children. Our playground is available for any who wish to utilize it mid-service. Contact Vicki Sumner at [children@1stpc.org](mailto:children@1stpc.org) with questions.

**Children's Worship Bags** are located in the Narthex and the Sanctuary entrance from Gordon Hall. Pick one up before the worship service to help your child participate in worship. After the service, please return all bags to the baskets. *\*Digital versions of our children's worship guides can be found in the Weekly Invite emails from the church.* We encourage your family to discuss worship together - even if you don't use the guide.

The Logos Committee asks you to join us in praying for the children, youth, and families served by this ministry. A survey went out last week to previous Logos and Connections families. We are in the midst of evaluating the responses to help us find our way to continue this ministry of Christian nurture and discipleship through worship skills, Bible study, recreation, and family time. We are working to be sensitive to the expectations and comfort levels of all involved.

College Trajectory Bible Study meets in the parlor on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. For more information, please email Scott Stuart at [college@1stpc.org](mailto:college@1stpc.org).

**Young Adult & Family Ministry:** We are meeting this summer in various way on various days at various times - both in person and online. For more information on Young Adult & Young Family Ministry gatherings, please email Fred Lundy at [youngadult@1stpc.org](mailto:youngadult@1stpc.org).

**Gordon Hoover Sunday School:** Join the class at 9:30 a.m. in the church library to study Acts 4. Enter through the Mary Gate, the north Preschool door, or the sanctuary.

All are welcome! Email Perry Foote with questions at [palbertfoote@gmail.com](mailto:palbertfoote@gmail.com).

## MEET HUMAN NEEDS

**Let Us Remember in Prayer and Correspondence:** Marilyn Ast, Melda Bassett, Jayne Fox, Emily Hoyer, Kay Koons, Elizabeth Miller, and Theral Moore. Our men and women in the services: Ashley Dace, Trinity Gilkey, Brian Hill, and Dan Williams; and first responders: Nick Gonzalez, Joe Mueller, and Paul Samala. Essential worker: Bill Clark.

**Online contributions** can be made through your computer or smart phone. Go to [1stpc.org](http://1stpc.org) and click the red Pushpay icon. Give to the General Budget or specify the designated ministry in the memo section. Text contributions, bill pay through your bank, and electronic funds transfers are also options. Questions? Contact Trudy Bonerba at [business@1stpc.org](mailto:business@1stpc.org).

**Unused computers or devices:** Your generosity can help the church through tight budgetary times. If you have any old "ish" devices that you no longer need, the church can use them: monitors, TVs, computers or tablets. We ask that devices be no more than 5 years old and that computers are running Windows 10. Tablets or other devices can be any OS. If you would like to donate a device, please contact Jenny Chamberlain through the church office at (352) 378-1527. Thank you.

### **Leadership**

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