

Online Bulletin, 04-19-2026

We Gather as the People of God

‡Prelude *We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight* Arr. Biery

‡Greeting, Announcements, and Invitation to Discipleship

Living Witness

Introit *Sing Hallelujah Praise the Lord* Arr. Mueller

*‡Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: God calls us as many people, from many places, from many paths.

People: We come to celebrate the risen Christ

Leader: God gathers us, old and young, rich and poor, certain and searching.

People: Led by the Spirit who makes us one.

Leader: Here in this place, God forms us into a people of love and justice.

People: Let us worship the One who gathers us.

All: Let us worship God together.

*‡Hymn No. 263 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Coronation

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

(Let us pray with one voice.)

Gathering God, you call us from many places and form us into one people, yet we confess that we often resist your call. We prefer certainty to trust, judgment to compassion, distance to relationship. Forgive us O God. Gather the scattered pieces of our lives. Lead us toward the wholeness you desire. Renew in us the courage to live as your people, shaped by grace, guided by mercy, and formed by love. Amen.

(Moment for Silent Prayer)

Kyrie No. 575 *Lord, Have Mercy*

**Lord, have mercy upon us
Christ, have mercy upon us
Lord, have mercy upon us**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

*‡Exchange of the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Greet one another in the peace of Christ.

*✠Response Hymn No. **288**

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

We Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Judges 4:4-10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Sing with Joy to the Lord

Burson

(Words printed on the back of the bulletin.)

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-27

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Kevin Ireland

*Hymn No. **301**

Let Us Build a House

Two Oaks

We Respond to God's Word

Joys and Concerns of the People

Joy: United Presbyterian Church, Jetmore

Birth of Owen Gray East to Kevin East and Emma Wingert

Ministry: Good Neighbor Team

Care and Comfort: Jay Ayers, Calissa Frye, Susan Kensill,

Norma Scherback and Teresa Stange

Sympathy: Family and Friends of Bill Wynne and

Family and Friends of Susan Kensill

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

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.

Offertory Sentence

Offertory *Calling* Brickman

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

(Let us pray with one voice.)

Gathering God, you bring us together from many places and form us into one people. Receive these gifts we offer, our time, our talents, and our treasure. Use them to build up your kingdom in this congregation, in our community, and in the world. Where there is need, bring compassion. Where there is division, bring reconciliation. Where there is despair, bring hope. Shape our lives as offerings of love, that through us your justice may grow and your grace may be made known. Amen.

We Are Sent as God's Servants into the World

*Hymn No. **306**

Blest Be the Ties that Bind

Dennis

*Charge and Blessing

Leader: Alleluia, Amen
People: **Alleluia, Amen.**

The Postlude

We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder

Arr. Berry

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

‡(Time to seat those who arrive after the start of the service)

Leading and Serving in Worship Today

Rev. Kevin Ireland, Pastor,
Phyllis Lesage Liturgist
Capri Zimmerman, Reader
Sean Foster, Director Chancel Choir
Kelsey Wise, Organist
Chancel Choir
Mitzi Darmstetter, Sound
Chris Anderson, Broadcasting
Burris Family, Online Moderators

Worship Notes

Sing Hallelujah Praise the Lord (Introit)

Arranged by Carl F. Mueller

Sing hallelujah praise the Lord
Sing with a cheerful voice!
Exalt our God with one accord
And in His name rejoice
Never cease to sing, thou ransomed host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Until in realms of endless light,
Your praises shall unite.

Sing with Joy to the Lord (Anthem)

by John Wyatt Burson

Sing with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
The Lord has done marvelous things.
He created the sun and moon and stars.
He brought forth light from the darkest night.
Radiant beams that burned so bright.
The Lord is the Master of the universe,
The Creator of every living thing.
Creatures large and small, short, and tall,
He made each one and He loves them all.

Welcome to God's House

We are grateful you are here as we worship together – lifting our voices in praise, our hearts in prayer, and opening ourselves to the work of God's Spirit in our midst.

Grace is a special place. We are people of many ages and stages, from different walks of life, backgrounds, and traditions. Each of us brings unique gifts. **All are welcome.** What we share in common is a desire to follow Christ, a love of God and neighbor, and a deep passion for serving the world God so loves.

Children are always welcome in worship. God put the wiggle in children—and we celebrate the giggles too. We do not expect anyone to sit perfectly still or silently. Worship bags are available outside the sanctuary doors if helpful. You're encouraged to help your child follow along in the bulletin or hymnal. If they are readers, invite them to circle words they don't know and talk about them after the service. A nursery is available for children up to age three in Room 107 (next to the north entrance).

We invite you to let us know you are here by signing the friendship pad at the end of your pew and passing it along to others. It helps us connect names with faces and care well for one another. If you have a prayer concern, we invite you to share it by placing a blue prayer card in the offering plate. Your prayers will be held in confidence and shared with our Prayer Ministry Team.

If you would like to learn more about our congregation or about the Presbyterian Reformed tradition, we would be glad to connect with you. Please speak with one of our ushers or staff or reach out to Pastor Kevin at Kevin@MyGPC.org.

We are glad you are here. Let us worship God together.

263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Descant

4 O that with yon-der sa-cred throng we at his feet may fall!

1 All hail the power of Je-sus' name! Let an-gels pros-trate fall;
 2 Ye cho-sen seed of Is-rael's race, ye ran-somed from the fall,
 3 Let ev-ery kin-dred, ev-ery tribe on this ter-res-trial ball
 4 O that with yon-der sa-cred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

bring forth the roy-al di-a-dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 to him all maj-es-ty as-cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev-er-last-ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

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Bring forth the roy-al di-a-dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 To him all maj-es-ty as-cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev-er-last-ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

This 18th-century text celebrating the sovereignty of Christ has been through several expansions and contractions before reaching its present form. It is set here to the oldest American hymn tune in continuous use since first published in 1793, which was written for it.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-3, Edward Perronet, 1779, 1780; stanzas 2-3, alt. John Rippon, 1787; stanza 4, John Rippon, 1787 CORONATION
 MUSIC: Oliver Holden, 1793; desc. Michael E. Young, 1979 8.6.8.6.8.6
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301 Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C7 F C F B^b C Dm

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 F C F Dm7 Gm C

safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
 Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm

how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
 Gm C F B^b

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshipping community.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's"

Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

TEXT: John Fawcett, 1782
 MUSIC: Johann Georg Nægeli, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

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