

Online Bulletin, May 10, 2026
We Gather as the People of God

‡Musical Call to Worship Come Though Fount of Every Blessing

Arr. Martha Lynn

‡Greeting, Announcements, and Invitation to Discipleship

Introit

Sing Hallelujah Praise the Lord

Arr. Mueller

*‡Call to Worship

Leader: We gather as one body—young and old, each of us shaped by stories, relationships, and faith

People: We come remembering those who have gone before us, guided us, and kept the faith alive.

Leader: We are not alone. We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses— saints and seekers, prophets and teachers, who have formed us in ways seen and unseen.

People: Their faith lives on in us, and God is still at work among us.

Leader: We come to worship the God who formed their faith, the God who is forming us even now.

All: Let us worship God with grateful hearts and with a faith ready to be rekindled.

*‡Hymn No. 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

(Let us pray with one voice.)

Holy God, mother of us all, you have formed us in love and called us to live as your people, yet we confess that we forget who we are and whose we are.

We lose our way. We turn from your wisdom and follow our own desires. We give our trust and devotion to things that cannot give life — to power, to comfort, to control, to the false promises of this world. We forget our connection to you, and in doing so, we forget our connection to one another. We allow fear to divide us, and we fail to live as people shaped by your love.

Forgive us, O God. Call us back. Rekindle within us the gift of faith that you have placed in us. Form us again into your people — a people of truth, courage, and compassion. Amen.

(Moment for Silent Prayer)

Kyrie No 575

Lord, Have Mercy

**Lord, Have Mercy
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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 - 2 Kings 22:14-20

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

In This Very Room

Harris

(Words printed on the back of the bulletin.)

Second Scripture Reading

2 Timothy 1:3-7

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Title

Rev. Kevin Ireland

*Hymn [see insert]

Faith of our Mothers

We Respond to God’s Word

Joys and Concerns of the People

Joy: First Presbyterian, Wichita

Ministry: Bus Tickets

Care and Comfort: Jay Ayers,

Calissa Frye, Pam Head, Norma Scherback, and Teresa Stange

Sympathy: Friends and Family of Susan Kensill

Family and Friends of Carolyn Roby

Family and Friends of Carol Taylor

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 *To God Be the Glory* arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

*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.)

Faithful God, we give you thanks for all that we have received — for the faith passed down to us, and for the ways you continue to work in our lives. Receive these gifts, we pray. Use them to carry forward the work of those who have gone before us — to proclaim your truth, to nurture faith, and to serve your world with love and compassion. Rekindle in us the gift of faith, that we may offer not only these gifts, but our whole lives in your service. Amen.

We Are Sent as God's Servants into the World

*Hymn No. 547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* AR HYD Y NOS

*Charge and Blessing

Leader: Alleluia. Amen.

People: Alleluia Amen.

The Postlude

Sanctus

Leavitt

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

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

The flowers this morning were donated by Christy and Kirk Anderson, In Memory of mothers Sherigay, Margot, and Fran, grandmothers Charlotte Trammel and June Anderson, and for all Mothers.

Leading and Serving in Worship Today

Rev. Kevin Ireland, Pastor, Head of Staff
Tom Webster, Liturgist
Gail Routsong, Reader
Sean Foster, Director Chancel Choir
Kelsey Wise, Organist
Chancel Choir
Bell Choir
Bryce Mulkey, Bell Choir Director
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.

In This Very Room (Anthem)

Ron and Carol Harris

In this very room there's quite enough love for one like me,
And in this very room there's quite enough joy for one like me,
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power
to chase away any gloom,
For Jesus, Lord Jesus is in this very room.

And in this very room there's quite enough love for all of us,
And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all of us,
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power
to chase away any gloom,
For Jesus, Lord Jesus is in this very room.

In this very room there's quite enough love for all the world,
And in this very room there's quite enough joy for all the world,
And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power
to chase away any gloom,
For Jesus, Lord Jesus is in this very room.

463 How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

It seems odd now to think of singing this text to ADESTE FIDELES, but mainline churches did so well into the 20th century because of a cultural bias against shape note music. The vigor of the present tune seems especially right for the final line's reference to Hebrews 13:5.

Faith of Our Mothers

1. Faith of our moth - ers, liv - ing still, fresh in our mem - ories,
2. Faith of our moth - ers, hop - ing still, pray - ing for ev - ery
3. Faith of our moth - ers, lov - ing still, trust - ing the truth of

held in our hearts. Here or in heav - en, their deeds live on,
daugh - ter and son, build - ing us up as a fam - ily in Christ,
kind - ness and grace, shar - ing God's Spir - it in ser - vice and strength,

spread - ing the joy God's love im - parts.
work - ing that we may all be one. Faith of our moth - ers,
liv - ing life well, and run - ning faith's race.

ho - ly faith! We will be true to thee till death.

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ST. CATHERINE

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Go, My Children, with My Blessing 547

1 "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev-er a-lone.
 2 "Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos-er to me.

Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy-ful and free.

In my love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you mine for-
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto-ry; here you touched him, saw his
 Here my Spir-it's pow-er filled you; here my ten-der com-fort

ev-er. Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."
 glo-ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure."
 stilled you. Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, joy-ful and free."

Because this Welsh melody usually sets evening texts, the author was asked to create one for use in daytime. His recasting of the Aaronic blessing in Numbers 6:22-27 imagines that passage as a benediction that might be spoken by God at the conclusion of a worship service.

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.