

Online Bulletin, Sunday 13, 2026
We Gather as the People of God

✠Musical Call to Worship

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Arr. Hildebrand

✠Greeting, Announcements, and Invitation to Discipleship

Introit

*✠Call to Worship

Leader: God gathers us from many places in life, some filled with joy and others carrying grief.

People: God is with us in our laughter and in our tears.

Leader: Christ calls us to accompany one another on life's journey.

People: God goes with us, even when the path ahead is uncertain.

Leader: The Spirit nurtures and renews us, whether we are full of faith or filled with doubt.

People: Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

All: We gather to proclaim the faithful God who will never let us go. Let us worship God together!

*✠Hymn No. 393

O Day of Rest and Gladness

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

(Let us pray with one voice.)

God of compassion and steadfast love, you call us to walk beside one another, yet we confess that we often turn away. We avoid those whose pain makes us uncomfortable and pass by those whose struggles seem too difficult to bear. We cling to our own comfort rather than sharing the burdens of our neighbors.

Forgive us when we offer easy answers instead of listening, judgment instead of mercy, or distance instead of our presence. Give us the courage to remain beside one another when the way is uncertain. Teach us to love with faithfulness and to follow Christ, who draws near to the vulnerable and promises comfort to all who mourn. Renew us in your grace, so that no one among us must walk alone. Amen.

(Moment for Silent Prayer)

Kyrie No. 551

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

Lord, Have Mercy
Christ, Have Mercy
Lord, Have Mercy upon us (2x)

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 - Matthew 5:1-6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *God of Grace and God of Glory* Arr. Burkhardt

Second Scripture Reading - Ruth 1:15-22

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Drama

Sermon - Kelly McFall, Elder

*Hymn No. 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

We Respond to God's Word

Joys and Concerns of the People

Joy: First Presbyterian Church, Harper

Ministry: WYLDlife

Care and Comfort: Braelyn Aldino, Jay Ayers, Calissa Frye,
Norma Sherback, and Teresa Stange

Sympathy: To Pastor Cheryl Hoops upon the passing of her son Andy.

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.

Testimony of Gifts

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Here I Am, Lord

Arr. Alegre

*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.)

God of steadfast love, receive these gifts. Use them to comfort those who grieve, strengthen those who are vulnerable, and seek justice with those who are oppressed. Give us the courage to offer not only what we have, but also our presence, so that we may walk faithfully beside one another through every joy and sorrow. May these gifts bear witness to your promise that no one travels alone. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

We Are Sent as God's Servants into the World

*Hymn No. 741

Guide My Feet

GUIDE MY FEET

*Charge and Blessing

Leader: And all the people said Amen.

People: Amen.

The Postlude

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

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

Kelly McFall, Elder
Phyllis Lesage, Liturgist
Kirk Anderson, Pastor
Laurie Haury, Reader
Sophia Randle, Charlene Randle, Drama
Sean Foster, Director Chancel Choir
Kelsey Wise, Organist
Chancel Choir
Ahmad Plummer, Sound
Chris Anderson, Broadcasting
Burris Family, Online Moderators

393 O Day of Rest and Gladness

1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
 2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion the light first had its birth;
 3 On you, God's peo - ple, meet - ing, the Ho - ly Scrip-ture hear,

O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
 on you, for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
 Christ's liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through bread and wine made near.

on you, the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,
 on you, our Lord vic - to - rious sent Spir - it forth from heaven.
 New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,

sing "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly" to the great God tri - une.
 And thus on you, most glo - rious, a tri - ple light was given.
 we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.

In this text the first day of the week represents a threefold commemoration of Creation, Resurrection, and Pentecost—each an encounter with Trinitarian activity centered on one of the Three Persons. The tune name recalls the secular German song adapted for use with several hymns.

TEXT: Stanzas 1–2, Christopher Wordsworth, 1862, alt.; stanza 3, Charles P. Price, 1980, alt. ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN
 MUSIC: Memmingen ms., 17th cent.; harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1904 7.6.7.6.D
 Text St. 3 © 1985 Charles P. Price

726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)
F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?
Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus) (A)
Gm7 B^b Am7 B^b Csus C

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,
Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

TEXT: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987

KELVINGROVE

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Guide My Feet

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1 Guide my feet while I run this race;
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race;
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

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| 2 Hold my hand ... | 5 Search my heart ... |
| 3 Stand by me ... | 6 Guide my feet ... |
| 4 I'm your child ... | |

This African American spiritual is based on the imagery of "the race that is set before us" in Hebrews 12:1-2. Its call-and-response structure allows for the improvisation and addition of stanzas related to an athletic metaphor that is as vivid today as it was centuries ago.