



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Online Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

My Faith Looks Up To Thee
Micah Arms, trumpet

arr. Curnow

Call to Worship

Sing to our God a new song.

God has done marvelous things!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Break forth in joyous songs and sing praises.

Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

Hymn # 634

To God Be the Glory

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ADORATION

634 To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

The musical score consists of four systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: 1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done! 2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done, So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin, but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in. our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory: great things he has done!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace.
 You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not.
 We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead.
 We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require.
 We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers,
 preferring old habits to risky change.
 Forgive us, we pray.
 Help us to be born again into the life of Christ,
 trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith.
 In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

SERVICE MUSIC

582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

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MUSIC: Paul M. Vasile, 2008
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GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

Moment with the Children

Anthem

The Prayer
Micah & Wendi Arms, Duet

Sager/Foster

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Reading

John 14: 1-14

Sermon

“Listen Up, Friends”

Whitney Moss

Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one Triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Offering

Congregational Response # 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

SERVICE MUSIC

606 Praise God, from Whom
All Blessings Flow
Doxology

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise *him, all creatures here be - low; praise *him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.'

*Or "God"

JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION

Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761

1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life

we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 let us fol-low, nev - er fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.
 help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
 that sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con-que-rs strife.

May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor - er, all God's peo - ple, young and old,
 Words of com - fort, words of vi - sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv - ing, our com-pas-sion to in - crease,

e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.
 blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth - er gra-cious gifts from God un - fold.
 bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
 mes - sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me
Crystal Adams & Zanna Rentz

GREEN TYLER

Postlude

Fanfare

Lemmens

Welcome to worship on this fifth Sunday of Easter. We invite you to indicate your presence by emailing Maggie Wentzky at maggiew@fpcgreer.org.

As you are “being church at a distance” (worshipping, participating in service ministries, studying, in fellowship) take pictures of yourself and your family and send them to Maggie Wentzky (maggiew@fpcgreer.org) to include in worship slideshows. We love seeing you all “in worship”.

Special thanks to Micah Arms, Crystal Adams & Zanna Rentz for sharing their musical offerings in worship.

We offer sincere appreciation to Mike Senn, JD Burch, Eddie Burch and Bob Greene for their faithful work in producing our online worship services.

Children are invited to video themselves singing the 1st verse of “God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me.” Please send the video to Maggie or Lisa Dillard and we will use it in worship.

Please note that we now have the capability to accept your offering via text message. Please text GIVE to 18649993612. You may also give on our website or by mailing a check to the church office.

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Interim Associate Pastor: The Reverend Berry French
Associate for Pastoral Care, Adult Education and Mission: Whitney Moss
Parish Associate: The Reverend Dr. Al Masters
Director of Music: Lisa Dillard
Assistant Director of Music: Pam Turnage
Praise Team Leader: Wendi Arms