

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Greer, South Carolina

11:00 a.m. Worship



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**Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**                      *Prelude on "Sine Nomine"*                      arr. Krapf

**\*Call to Worship**

May God be gracious to us and bless us.  
**May God's face shine upon us and all the earth.**  
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy.  
**Let all the peoples praise the Lord!**

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

**\*Hymn No. 375**                      *Shall We Gather at the River*                      HANSON PLACE

**Confession of Sin**

**Risen Lord, you promise peace, yet we hold tightly to our worries. You command love, yet we are slow to show it. You offer yourself, yet we hold back out of fear, pride, or apathy. You call us to have open hearts and open doors, yet we often turn inward, choosing comfort over compassion. Forgive us, Lord. Open what is closed within us. Stir us where we are stagnant. By your Spirit guide our steps that we may live in your love and walk in your peace. Amen.**

**Response No. 470**                      *There Is a Longing in Our Hearts*                      LONGING  
Congregation is invited to sing on the refrains.  
There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.  
There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Response No. 245**                      *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*                      EASTER HYMN  
Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

**\*Words of Peace**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**Invitation to the Children**

**Anthem**                      *Write Your Word Upon My Heart*                      Larson

**Prayer for Illumination**

**O Lord, your Word is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow the path you set before us. In Christ Jesus we pray, Amen.**

**New Testament Reading**

Acts 16:9-15

Pew Bible, pg. 900

**Sermon**

"Waters of Welcome"

Reverend Pexa

**The Sacrament of Baptism**

Vivian Mae Cononie  
daughter of Virginia and Michael Cononie

Presentation and Profession of Faith

\*Apostles' Creed

Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Baptism

Response

**Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign,  
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.**

Welcome

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you, Vivian, into Christ's Church  
to share with us in his ministry for we are all one in Christ.**

Prayer

**Prayers of the People**

**Offering**

**Offertory**

*Baptized in Water*

arr. Raney

**\*Response No. 240**

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

**\*Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer**

**\*Hymn No. 295**

*Go to the World!*

SINE NOMINE

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Response No. 238**

*Thine Is the Glory*

JUDAS MACCABEUS

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.  
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.  
Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

**\*Postlude**

*Rigaudon*

Campra

\*Those who are able may stand.

**Welcome to worship on this Sixth Sunday of Easter.** We invite you to record your presence by signing the fellowship pads located in each pew. If worshipping with us online, please share your presence by emailing Lisa Johnson at [lisaj@fpcgreer.org](mailto:lisaj@fpcgreer.org) or filling out the online attendance form on our website, [www.fpcgreer.org/online-attendance](http://www.fpcgreer.org/online-attendance).

**Thank you to** Amy Couch for assisting in worship.

**Today's bulletin artwork** is entitled "Waters of Baptism" and is used with permission of the artist, Rebekah Krevens.

**Please note the church office will be closed** on Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day.

**VBS Registration is Open.** Join us for *Road Trip: On the Go with God!* Our journey takes place June 2-6 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for children ages K3-5th Grade. For additional details or to register, visit [www.fpcgreer.org/vbs-information](http://www.fpcgreer.org/vbs-information).

**Mark your calendars for the congregational VBS cookout** on Wednesday, June 4 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$7.00 per person or \$25.00 max per family. Please RSVP in Realm or call the church office.

**June 8 is Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday.** We will have one service in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 a.m. Following worship, we will enjoy lemonade and cookies in the columbarium courtyard as we celebrate our confirmands.

**We will be hosting basketball training camps in our gym** the week of June 9-13. The camps are designed for young athletes of all skill levels who want to learn the game of basketball by building strong fundamentals in a fun, positive, and energetic environment. There will be sessions for rising 1st - 3rd graders from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and for rising 4th - 6th graders from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. An all-day option is offered for 4th - 6th graders where they can assist with the younger age group in the morning, enjoy lunch with friends, and then jump into their own afternoon session. Please visit our church website for more information or to register your child.



## **JULY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**Coffee & Donuts at 8:45 am**

**Sunday School at 9:00 am**

**Worship at 10:00 am**

