

**MAY 2, 2021**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**11:00AM SANCTUARY**



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

WEST WAYNE STREET



**Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!** We're so glad that you are here. If you would like to learn more about us, please fill out the information on the Get Connected card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You are also more than welcome to contact any of our pastors over the phone or by email. God's peace to you today. — Rev. Dr. Anne Epling, Rev. Dr. Youngsoo An, Rev. Ann Pitman and Pastor Carrie Winebrenner

†*Those who are able, please stand*

*Congregation responds in bold*

## **GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** Pastorale  
Trumpet Voluntary in D Major

Charles Wesley  
John Bennett

## **TOLLING OF THE HOUR**

## **WELCOME**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Spirit is coming to bless us all with a new song:

**Let our joy be complete!**

Gifts for the good of all, poured out on all to teach us a new song:

**Love one another!**

Strangers and neighbors, foreigners and family will join in the new song:

**No longer servants but friends!**

Come, let our worship make a joyful noise,

**Rejoicing in the friendship of God.**

†**HYMN NO. 624** I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON

## †**CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We come to God, not to justify ourselves but to repent and trust the saving grace of Christ Jesus. Let us pray.

Look upon us, loving Savior, sift our thoughts and assess our feelings.

Deal firmly with those things that have inhibited our love and diverted our energies.

**Loving God, whatever you see  
as self-righteous, censure,  
as twisted, straighten,  
as heartless, soften,  
as fruitless, prune,  
as infected, cleanse.**

**Flood your relentless Spirit through our whole being,  
sweeping away guilt and its lethargy,  
and by the saving grace of Christ Jesus,  
heal the hidden springs of our personality.**

Thank you, Holy Friend, for answering our prayers  
before we get around to asking them  
and for doing much more than we ask or think.  
Through your Son and our Savior;  
**Amen.**

### †ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Christ Jesus we are a radically renewed community.

**Thanks be to God!**

Old things are done away with, all things become new.

**Thanks be to God!**

We are agents of grace and reconciliation.

**Thanks be to God!**

With every step or stumble, Christ will be with us.

**Thanks be to God!**

### †SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### †RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The first staff is the vocal line, and the second and third staves are piano accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first two staves have two verses of lyrics. The third staff has one line of lyrics. The music ends with a double bar line.

1. Glo - ry to God, \_\_\_\_\_ whose good-ness shines on me, and to the Son, \_\_\_\_\_ whose grace has  
2. World with-out end, \_\_\_\_\_ with - out end. A - men. World with-out end, \_\_\_\_\_ with - out  
par - doned me, and to the Spir - it, \_\_\_\_\_ whose love has set me free. As it  
end. A - men. World with-out end, \_\_\_\_\_ with - out end. A - men.  
was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

## HEARING THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 10:44-48

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

#### ANTHEM Love One Another

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

*Chancel Choir*

*Love one another with a pure heart fervently, see that ye love one another.*

#### GOSPEL READING

John 15:9-17

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

#### SERMON

“God Doesn’t Play Favorites”

Rev. Dr. Anne B. Epling

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### †AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in an Easter God, who transforms darkness into light, hatred into tolerance, and despair into hope. We believe God is always working for good, changing every Good Friday nightmare into an Easter dream of new possibility. We believe in the risen Christ, who befriends us on our roads of searching and worry; who touches us through song and silence, word and gesture; who calls us by name to enter the dance of life. We believe in the Spirit, the hidden presence behind every resurrection, who beckons us to leave tomblife safety and trust the gracious invitation to live joyfully. We believe the Spirit is always renewing the church and making us a people who practice kindness, encourage beauty and work for justice and freedom. We believe we are an Easter people, a sign that with God all things are possible.

### †HYMN NO. 450 Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY Ye Servants of God

Henry Coleman

*Chancel Choir*

*Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name: the name all victorious of Jesus extol: his Kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.*

*Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.*

*Then let us adore, and give him his right, all glory and power, all wisdom and might, all honour and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love.*

†DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise God, all crea - tures here be -  
 low; Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; Cre -  
 a - tor, Christ and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

†UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of the far-flung universe, we long to dwell in your closeness, abiding in you and you abiding in us. However, the call to abide in other places is strong: to abide in the world of popularity and acceptance or in the world of increasing wealth and power. As we offer our gifts and ourselves to you, help us turn away from other calls and abide in your Son, Jesus, and he in us. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

GREAT PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION MUSIC Chorale Prelude on *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Healey Willan  
 Chorale Prelude on *The Church of Christ, In Every Age*  
 Chorale Prelude on *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## SENDING

†**HYMN NO. 765** May the God of Hope Go with Us (*three times*)

ARGENTINA

†**BENEDICTION**

†**MUSICAL BENEDICTION** The Lord Bless You and Keep You  
*Chancel Choir*

Peter C. Lutkin

*The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord lift his countenance upon you; and give you peace,  
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. Amen.*

†**POSTLUDE** March in D Major, Op. 56, No. 2

Alexandre Guilmant

### ***Service Notes:***

Hymn 624: I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art — Genevan Psalter, 1551. The original French text, sometimes attributed to John Calvin, seems to be a Protestant reworking of a Roman Catholic hymn, not a typical practice for him. Yet this text and tune (adapted from GENEVAN 124) clearly date from the early years of the Reformed tradition.

Hymn 450: Be Thou My Vision — Irish Ballad; harm. David Evans, 1927. These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th-century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

Hymn 765: May the God of Hope Go with Us — Argentine folk melody. This Argentine folk melody sets Spanish and English words, both created by a PC(USA) missionary with much Latin American experience. The two versions complement each other: the Spanish text offering a prayer to God and the English one providing inspiration for the singers.

## ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP THIS MORNING

**Greeters/Ushers:** Dave Beer, John Ruble, Jerry Winters (Chair) and Anita Wolfe

**Guest Usher:** Charlotte Epling

**Director of Music Ministries & Organist:** Brent Neuenschwander

**Assistant Organist:** Kathryn Miller

**Communion Servers:** Kathy Adair, Kathy Beatty, Bob Doerr, Bill Fish, Jan McGeehan and Carol Offerle

**Chancel Choir:** David Beer, Quinton Davis, Susan Dorion, Joseph Foltz, Joan Jackson, Scott McMeen, Jim Mergenthal, Dan Michnay, Kip Ormerod, Mary Jane Ormerod, Fran Page, Rachel Parker, Cassandra Petrie, Marianne Platt, Jen Poiry, Marj Sapp, Sandy Shearer, Hannah Strayhorn, Jill Therrien, Kirby Voltz and Mary Winters

**Crucifer:** Hayden Patterson

**Acolytes:** Sariah Fincher and Dakota McGiffin

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### Prayer List or to Request Pastoral Care

If you or a loved one is hospitalized and would like to be added to the prayer list or are seeking pastoral care, please contact the church at 260-426-7421 x106. Clergy are now welcome at Lutheran and Parkview hospitals to make in-person visits. All four clergy have now had their vaccines, too. Please let us know if you would like a visit.

## CHILDCARE

Childcare is available in Room 101 for age 5 and under.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 2, 2021

**Thank you for joining us today.** We welcome you to join us for worship on Sunday, May 9, 2021, at 11:00am for either the English in-person service in the Sanctuary (or via Live Stream, Facebook, Website or YouTube); or for the 11:00am Korean in-person service which will be held at Foster Park on Sunday, May 9, 2021 (please note, there will be **no** livestream available for this service).

### **Carrie Winebrenner's Ordination — Sunday, May 23, 2021, at 2:00pm:**

Being called into ministry is not an overnight decision. The ordination process takes about three years but, it truly takes a lifetime. It would be an honor and a blessing for you to join us at 2:00pm on Sunday, May 23, 2021, as our resident pastor, Carrie Winebrenner, is ordained as a Minister of the Word and Sacrament in a service of worship that is full of song and scripture. Communion will be served, and a reception will follow. We hope you join us as we celebrate with both Carrie and the Church.

### **Upcoming Special Sunday Services:**

- \* **Sunday, May 9, 2021:** KLM will hold their 11:00am service outdoors at Foster Park.
- \* **Sunday, May 23, 2021:** This Sunday's 11:00am service will include the ordination and installation of Deacons and Elders. This service will be in both English and Korean.
- \* **Sunday, May 30, 2021:** All the Fort Wayne Presbyterian Churches will conduct a joint service at 10:30am on Sunday, May 30, 2021, at Trinity Presbyterian Church (9600 St. Joe Road, Fort Wayne, IN).

### **1st Yoga:**

1st Yoga, led by Baptiste Power Yoga, will meet tomorrow, Monday, May 3, 2021, in the Narthex at 6:00pm (1st and 3rd Mondays of each month).

### **Hymn Festival at the 11:00am Service on Sunday, May 9, 2021:**

Please join us on May 9, 2021, for a Hymn Festival during the 11:00am service in the Sanctuary. The hymns will be led by the Chancel Choir, Handbells, a Flute, a Trumpet and the magnificent Aeolian-Skinner organ. Interspersed throughout the service will be scripture readings, hymn stories and prayers. We hope that you can come to lift your voices in the praise of our great God!

**Presbyterian 101 — Sundays, May 9 & 16, 2021 at 9:30am via Zoom:** Want to know more about what being a Presbyterian is about? Whether you're considering becoming a Presbyterian -- or just curious -- this class is for you. We'll cover the topics of grace, sin and evil, what it means to declare Jesus as Lord and Savior, how we approach the Bible, and how we live out our faith in the world today. Call-In Number: 312 626 6799; Meeting ID: 881 9492 8796, Passcode: 2604267421. Contact: Pastor Carrie Winebrenner at [cwinebrenner@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:cwinebrenner@firstpresfortwayne.org).



## **MAD<sup>2</sup> Camp — June 7-11, 2021:**

Are YOU ready to get **MAD** for the fine arts? Great, because we need your help!

- \* Are you able to volunteer that week? **AWESOME!** Please email [cyf@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:cyf@firstpresfortwayne.org)
- \* Are you able to volunteer for the Friday showcase? **OUTSTANDING!** Please email [cyf@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:cyf@firstpresfortwayne.org)
- \* Are you a shopper? **FABULOUS!** We'd love some help with our Walmart Wish List! <https://bit.ly/2R2Nxj7>

In addition, we are always grateful for financial donations to help cover the cost of our art supplies, our snacks for the campers and to help cover the cost of the camp itself. We truly could not do this without the immense and overwhelming support from the First Pres family. Thank you for sharing the light of God with these budding artists.

## **SMOCK SENIOR MINISTRIES**

### **SMOCK Senior Ministries — Presby Day Task Force:**

There will be Presby Day Task Force meeting on Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 10:30am in Room 302.

**SMOCK Senior Ministries — Shows, Tours and Trips:** There is still room for this Tuesday's (May 4, 2021), trip to the Auburn Cord Museum, Auburn, IN. The **SMOCK** bus will depart from First Presbyterian Church at 10:30am and lunch will be on your own at Water's Edge. Please call the **SMOCK** office at 260-426-7421, ext. 132, to make your reservation. The cost is \$15.00 — payment can be made at time of departure or you can make a check out to First Presbyterian Church and mail to P.O. Box 11674, Fort Wayne, IN 46859.

### **SMOCK Senior Ministries — Presby Day Event:**

The next Presby Day event will be on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 10:00apm in the McKay Hall. The speaker will be David Dew and he will be discussing "Philo Farnsworth: He Changed the World". Please contact the **SMOCK** Office at 260-426-7421, ext. 132, to make reservations. The deadline to make a reservation is **Monday, May 17, 2021.**

## **FAMILIES @ FIRST**

### **Youth Group:**

For the last two weeks, the youth received "getting to know you" text questions and, for every reply, their name was placed in a drawing for a tube of gift cards and candy. Our **BIG** winner was Charlotte Epling!! Enjoy your prizes, Charlotte!! By the way, one of the questions was to send in your funniest joke. Hayden sent the following: A priest, a pastor, and a rabbit, walk into a bar. The rabbit says...I'm probably a typo!

We will **not** be meeting for youth group on **May 9, 2021.** Remember to celebrate your mommas that day. We will meet again on **May 23, 2021,** at 12:00pm and dive into *Unstuck!*

## ON-LINE EVENTS

### **Wired Word — Sundays @ 9:30am via Zoom:**

Join Meeting: [zoom.us/j/841496772](https://zoom.us/j/841496772). Call-in Number: 312-626-6799. Meeting ID: 841 496 772. Passcode: 2604267421.

### **Table Talk 1 — Wednesdays @ 10am via Zoom:**

Join Meeting: [zoom.us/j/241730827](https://zoom.us/j/241730827). Call-in Number: 312-626-6799. Meeting ID: 241 730 827. Passcode: 2604267421.

### **Men's Bible Study (all men invited!) — Fridays @ 10:00am via Zoom:**

Join Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/262564318>. Call-In Number: 312 626 6799. Meeting ID: 262 564 318. Passcode: 2604267421. We concluded our study of 2nd Corinthians on April 23, 2021. Incoming classes will cover James, John and then Peter.

Contact: Rev. Youngsoo An, [ysan@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:ysan@firstpresfortwayne.org).

Please note that we will conclude our spring session on May 28, 2021. We will then take a summer break and resume on Friday, September 10, 2021.

### **Women's Bible Study — Fridays @ 1:00pm via Zoom:**

Join Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/904041033>. Call-in Number: 312-626-6799. Meeting ID: 904 041 033. Passcode: 2604267421.

Contact: Rev. Ann Pitman, [apitman@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:apitman@firstpresfortwayne.org).

## ONGOING EVENTS

### **Handbell Choir Rehearsal — Thursdays from 5:30-6:30pm in Room 201:**

Interested in joining the choir or handbells, contact Brent Neuenschwander 426-7421 x137.

### **Chancel Choir Rehearsal — Thursdays from 7:00-8:30pm in the Sanctuary:**

Interested in joining the choir or handbells, contact Brent Neuenschwander 426-7421 x137

### **Contact Information Changes:**

Please contact Jiin Jung 426-7421 x102 or email [jjung@firstpresfortwayne.org](mailto:jjung@firstpresfortwayne.org) with changes to address, phone, email, etc. We want to make sure we're connecting with you.

## **Church Office Hours**

***Monday-Thursday, 9:00am —3:00pm***

***Fridays, 9:00am —12:00pm***

**Phone:** 260-426-7421, *press 5 for the Staff Directory*

Visit our **website:** [www.firstpresfortwayne.org](http://www.firstpresfortwayne.org)

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## HERE IS WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FIRST PRES THIS WEEK!

*For everyone's protection, please wear a mask and social distance at events. Thank you!*  
*Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00am — 3:00pm and Fridays, 9:00am — 12:00pm*

### SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

- 9:30am The Wired Word, ZM
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
- 10:30am Childcare, NR
- 11:00am English Worship, Communion, SC
- 11:00am Korean Worship, Communion, CH
- 12:45pm Pat Lundy Visitation, NX
- 1:30pm Pat Lundy Memorial Service, SC
- 2:30pm Pat Lundy Reception, MH

### MONDAY, MAY 3, 2021

- 1:00pm 3B Walkers, SC, MH
- 1:30pm 3B Exercise Class, MH/W
- 6:00pm 1st Yoga, NX

### TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021

- 11:05am Staff Worship Planning, SR
- 1:00pm Stephen Ministry Leaders, ZM
- 2:00pm Worship Committee Meeting, SR
- 5:30pm Personnel Committee Meeting, SR

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2021

- 10:00am Table Talk 1, ZM
- 1:00pm 3B Walkers, SC, MH
- 1:30pm 3B Exercise Class, MH/W

### THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021

- 10:30am Presby Day Task Force, Rm 302
- 3:00pm Flute & Organ Rehearsal, SC
- 5:30pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Rm 201
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB

### FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2021

- 10:00am Men's Bible Study, ZM
- 1:00pm Women's Bible Study, ZM

### SATURDAY, MAY 8, 2021

*No events*

### SUNDAY, MAY 9, 2021

- 9:30am Presby 101, SR & ZM
- 9:30am The Wired Word, ZM
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SB
- 10:30am Childcare, NR
- 11:00am English Worship & Hymn Festival, SC
- 11:00am Korean Worship, CH
- 12:00pm Youth Group, YL

### ROOM ABBREVIATIONS

|    |                 |      |                   |     |                   |
|----|-----------------|------|-------------------|-----|-------------------|
| CH | Chapel          | MH   | McKay Hall        | SB  | Sanctuary Balcony |
| CL | Chapel Lounge   | MH/W | McKay Hall West   | SC  | Sanctuary         |
| CN | Chapel Narthex  | MR   | Music Room        | SDR | Small Dining Room |
| CY | Courtyard       | NP   | North Parking Lot | SR  | Session Room      |
| FH | Fellowship Hall | NX   | Narthex           | TH  | Theater           |
| FO | Front Office    | NR   | Nursery           | YL  | Youth Lounge      |
| GL | Gallery         | OS   | Offsite           | ZM  | Zoom              |
| MF | McKay Foyer     | PR   | Parlor            |     |                   |

*Please stop by the Church Office with any questions  
or to learn how to get connected to church events.*