



SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019

Morning Worship | 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

Proclaiming Christ | Delighting in His Grace | Sharing in His Mission

WELCOME

PRELUDE

“Serenade”

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Joel Fuller, violin; Eric Sabatino, harp; Fred Markey, organ

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

“O Lord of Hosts, How Lovely”

Aurelia

O Lord of hosts, how lovely the place wherein you dwell!
Your tabernacles holy in pleasantness excel.
My soul is longing, fainting, to see your courts, O Lord;
My heart and flesh are singing to you, O living God.

Psalm 84:1-2

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Triune God calls his church to worship him

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Asking God to attend and bless the worship of his people

*HYMN NO. 6

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

Mit Freuden Zart

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Acknowledging our sins before our Holy God and seeking his forgiveness in Christ

*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our Lord and our King, you have commanded us to seek first your kingdom and your righteousness, but we have sought our own fleeting kingdoms and rested too often on our own righteousness. We have pursued vanities that leave us empty and unsatisfied. We even forsake your mercies offered to us in Christ, exchanging the flowing fountain of living waters for broken cisterns that hold no water. Were you to keep a record of our sin, O Lord, who could stand. But with you there is plentiful redemption. Graciously forgive our sins, for our only hope is in the merit and blood of Jesus. As your Spirit brings us to godly sorrow, be pleased to cover our offenses, cleanse us from our guilt, and free us from sin's power. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord's declaration of our freedom from the guilt of sin and punishment of God's law

SENIOR PASTOR Dr. Todd M. Smedley

PASTORS Rev. Corey Gray | Rev. Ron Meyer | Rev. Thomas Myrick | Dr. Robert Norris

*HYMN OF THANKS

“Our Great Savior”

Hyfrydol

Jesus! What a Strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him;
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my strength, my vict'ry wins.
Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

ANTHEM

“My Morning Song”

arr. Patricia Lou Harris

Covenant Choir

Jenn Mascott, piano; Marilyn Edewaard, director

O Lord of life, thy quick'ning voice awakes my morning song.
With joyful heart I would rejoice that I to thee belong.

I see thy light, I feel thy wind; earth is thy uttered word.
Thy Spirit wakes my heart and mind; I hear thy voice, my Lord.

Therefore I choose my highest part and turn my face to thee.
I give to thee my inmost heart and worship fervently.

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SHARING OF FAMILY NEWS

MINISTRY MINUTE – VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Allison Harrison

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND LORD'S PRAYER

8:00 *Dr. Robert Norris*

9:30 *Rev. Ron Meyer*

11:00 *Rev. Thomas Myrick*

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us
not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

8:00 *Terri Miller*

Genesis 50:22-26

9:30 *Laura Morgan*

page 44, pew Bible

11:00 *AJ Minite*

*HYMN NO. 382

“Be Thou My Vision”

Slane

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

8:00 *Jimmy Kemp*

9:30 *Peter Beukema*

11:00 *John Ritterpusch*

OFFERTORY

“Wayfarin’ Stranger”

American folk hymn

*Valerie Simonsen, soprano; Jim Williams, baritone; Sanctuary and Chapel Choirs
Joel Fuller, violin; Eric Sabatino, harp; Fred Markey, organ*

arr. Mack Wilberg

I am a poor wayfarin’ stranger,
While trav’lin’ through this world of woe;
But there’s no sickness, toil, nor danger
In that bright land to which I go.

I’m goin’ there to see my father;
I’m goin’ there no more to roam.

*I’m just a-goin’ over Jordan,
I’m just a-goin’ over home.*

I know dark clouds will gather ‘round me,
I know my way is rough and steep;
And yet green pastures lie before me
Where God’s redeemed no more shall weep.

I’m goin’ there to see my mother;
She said she’d meet me when I come.

I’m goin’ there to see my Savior;
To sing his praise for evermore.

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11:00 PRAYER FOR CHILDREN & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

Children K–3rd grade may come forward. If your child is not wearing a registration name tag, please accompany your child.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 3:12-4:1

pages 981-982, pew Bible

SERMON

“Striving Forward; Standing Firm”
10th in a series on the book of Philippians

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

*HYMN NO. 369

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

Angel’s Story

*BENEDICTION

Pronouncing God’s blessing on his people

POSTLUDE

“Sinfonia”
Fred Markey, organ

George Frideric Handel

**Congregation standing as able*

An Elder and Women's Ministry representative are available for prayer at the front of the Sanctuary after each service.

Deacons provide assistance and prayer support to those in our congregation facing difficult circumstances.
Contact an individual deacon directly or call the deacons' phone line at 301-320-3600, x223.

Hearing enhancement units are available in the Media Center or ask an usher for assistance.

To listen to a recording of the morning worship service, contact sundayservice@4thpres.org.

WORSHIPING WITH CHILDREN

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and a reminder of God's covenant faithfulness. Parents, God put the wiggle in your children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

- Quietly explain the parts of the service and actions of the pastors, ushers, choir, etc.
- Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn to worship by watching and following you.
- If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

TONIGHT'S EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"What Must I Do to Be Saved?"

Mark 10:17-22

Rev. Thomas Myrick

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
will be celebrated.*

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 19

MORNING SERVICE

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

"Pray for Peace Sake"

Philippians 4:2-7

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"Then Who Can Be Saved?"

Mark 10:23-31

Rev. Thomas Myrick

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will be celebrated.*

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

General Giving

Annual Budget \$ 4,942,614

Year-to-Date Received \$ 1,417,284

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