

### Sunday School

9:45 am for Adults in Jim Thomas Hall  
9:45 am Children in the Compass  
Nursery available beginning at 8:15

**BrewHaHa! In JTH** Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship at 9:30.

**Time with Young Disciples Part 2** Kindergarten -5th grade are invited to join Ms. Davis in the Compass after TWYD.

**Monumental VBS June 13-17 from 9am till noon.** Fun is waiting for all kids going into K-Rising 5th Grader! Volunteers and Students register at <http://vbspro.events/p/fpcf> or use button in eBlast.

**Connections Class** is beginning a new study by Adam Hamilton - *Christianity and World Religions - Questions We Ask About Other Faiths*. Join us at 9:45 in JTH.

**Pat Ermold** Messages of condolence may be sent to: 10282 Brook Road. Apt. 202. Glen Allen, VA. 23059. The family requests donations to Barnabas Ministry in lieu of flowers.

### ► *Join us in praying for...*

#### *Our Church Family*

Mike Castner  
The Family of Pat Ermold  
Ben & Lilly Isaac  
John Bousfield  
Gary Marmentello  
Sherril Gilbert-Stewart  
Bobby Mayne  
Gloria & Nelson Hamilton  
Mim Walker  
Erika Zimmerman  
Kathryn Jackson  
Nan Jansson

#### *Friends of the Church*

Jane & Dave Turney  
Judy & Ken Loper  
Cheryl Ann Brown  
Bonnie Sovereign  
Vivian & George Geiger  
Eunice Kurtz  
Matt Showalter  
Nick Clark  
Kathy & Bill Maurer  
Nathan Bowers  
Marlene Spayde

Jose Saucedo & Family  
Martin Mosko  
Alxe Noden  
Leo Wortham & Family  
Kendra Johnson  
Curtis G.  
Paul Guillian  
Caroline Warner  
Mark Fields  
David & Mickie Nelson  
James Schumacher

**HELP!** We are ready to begin live streaming our worship service! But we need **YOU!** We need 4-5 volunteers for 1 Sunday a month to help with the livestream on Sunday morning. Please contact the Church office if you would be willing to serve in this important area. 904-261-3837

**Youth at Montreat** for High School students is July 10-16. Contact Roger Martin to sign up.

**Youth Mission Trip** in Pennsylvania June 29-July 7. Contact Tom Wilke for more information. [twilke4700@gmail.com](mailto:twilke4700@gmail.com)

**Vases Needed** Please bring unwanted vases to the church office or Jim Thomas Hall so we may reuse them to share our flowers and the love of Christ to members in need of care and concern.

**Sign Up for eBlast!** If you're not receiving the weekly eBlast let us know. Call the office or shoot me an email at [bairasanfp@gmail.com](mailto:bairasanfp@gmail.com) It really is a "Blast!"

**Ushers are needed** to serve at both services. If you would be willing to help in this vital area occasionally, please let the Church Office know. 904-261-3837

*A warm welcome to:*

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**May 29th | 7th Sunday of Easter**

Welcome!

We are delighted to have you in worship today as we share together the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The ushers and pastors are here to help you. During the Hymn of Gratitude, ushers will be available to collect prayer requests that will be included in today's Pastoral Prayer. Prayer Request Cards are found in the pew rack. Please feel free to ask any questions you have.



Anchored in Grace.  
Moved to Mission.  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

TODAY'S MESSAGE  
"Moses Is Not the Hero"  
Rev. Julie Higbee

### JOIN US THIS WEEK @ FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, May 29	Monday, May 30	Tuesday, May 31
8:30 am Worship in person 9:00 am Virtual Worship 9:30 am BrewHaHa! Fellowship 9:45 am Christian Education 11:00 am Worship in person	Office Closed - Memorial Day	10:00 am Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday, June 1	Thursday, June 2	Friday, June 3
10:00 am Staff Meeting (Alday) 6:00 pm PNC 6:15 pm Youth (Anchor) 6:30 pm Choir Practice 7:00 pm Finance Task Force (Zoom)	9:00 am - 11:00 am POP's Playtime (Compass Nursery)	

**First Presbyterian Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation in the Presbyterian Church (USA)**

**Dr. Karl Kling, Interim Pastor & Head of Staff**

**Rev. Julie A. Higbee, Associate Pastor**

**Andy Shepard, Interim Dir. of Music Ministry**     **Doris Davis, Interim Dir. of Family Ministry**

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## We Gather to Worship

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PRELUDE:            **“Simple Gifts” Traditional Shaker Melody/arr. Cindy Berry**                             Andy Shepard

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:   Dr. Karl Kling

### CALL TO WORSHIP:

*LEADER:* We give thanks for the wonderful things God has done!

**PEOPLE: We sing praises for God’s amazing love.**

*LEADER:* The Spirit fills our hearts with hope.

**PEOPLE: The goodness of the Lord surrounds us every day.**

*LEADER:* Let us worship God..

### ▲ HYMN OF PRAISE: #354 “Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory”

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES:   Doris Davis

*PRAYER: God the Father bless us. God the Son help us. God the Spirit keep us, now and evermore.*

CALL TO CONFESSION:   Rev. Julie Higbee

God is perfect, but God invites us to come to God as we are. Rejoicing in God’s grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Unison)

**Sometimes we forget about your plans for the world. We focus on our own schedules and desires. We miss opportunities to serve in Jesus’ name. Forgive our sin. Help us to follow where your Spirit leads us each day. We pray this in Christ’s name, Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:   Dr. Kling

*LEADER:* Friends, hear the Good News! The free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. He has freed us from sin, and we belong to God. Believe the Good News of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!**

### ▲ HYMN OF GRATITUDE: #1 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” vs. 1, 3 & 4

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## We Listen to God’s Word

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:   Dr. Kling

Dear Lord, You are the way, the truth, and the life. Please open our hearts to hear Your Word and respond to Your call. Amen.

LESSON #1: John 17:20-26

ANTHEM:                             “The Gift of Love” American Folk Tune/ arr. Hal Thompson                             Chancel Choir

LESSON #2: Exodus 2:1-10

Rev. Higbee

LEADER : This is the Word of the Lord.            *PEOPLE: Thanks be to GOD!*

SERMON :   **“Moses Is Not The Hero”**  
*Rev. Higbee*

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## We Respond to God’s Grace

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▲ STATEMENT OF FAITH: #35 “The Apostles’ Creed”                                     Dr. Kling

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE   Rev. Higbee  
FOR OUR OUTREACH PARTNERS AND THE LORD’S PRAYER: (Unison)

**Our Gracious God, we praise you for your love for all people. Thank you for calling us to be partners in ministry with our sisters and brothers who serve on Amelia Island, in Haiti, Cuba, Jamaica, and throughout the world. Please give your protection and guidance to Christian leaders, all families of faith, and people everywhere who respond to those in need. Bless the ministries of all who serve in the middle of hatred, corruption, violence, war, poverty, disease, and human selfishness. Please use the words and actions of the Body of Christ throughout the world to bring help and hope to the world that you love. Now hear us as we pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:**

INVITATION TO WORSHIP GOD WITH OUR OFFERING:

OFFERTORY:                                     “The Love of God” Frederick M. Lehman                             Andy Shepard

### ▲ OFFERTORY RESPONSE: # 606 “Doxology”

PRAYER FOR THE PNC:   Dr. Kling  
**Almighty God, giver of every good gift, we praise you for hearing our prayers for the Pastor Nominating Committee. Thank you for guiding them in their search for our next Pastor & Head of Staff. Please open doors and guide decisions as our Church Family prepares for the Congregational Meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Prepare us to receive Your gift of a faithful pastor. Prepare our next pastor to care for your people and equip us to serve you joyfully. We pray this in Christ’s name, Amen.**

### ▲ HYMN OF SENDING: #366 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” vs. 1 & 4

CHARGE & BLESSING:   Rev. Higbee  
**Wherever we go, God has sent us; Wherever we are, God has put us there; God has a purpose in our being there; There is something that God wants to do through us. Wherever we are!**

PASTOR: As God’s people we all say,            *PEOPLE: Alleluia, Amen!*

POSTLUDE:                                     “The Love of God” Frederick M. Lehman                             Andy Shepard

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*This week’s flowers were given today by Joyce & Ed Mathews  
in loving memory of their son, Scott Mathews*