

9:00 Worship

Gathering

- § Welcome and Announcements
  - \* Call to Worship
  - \* Praise Songs
  - \* Confession and Pardon
  - \* Passing the Peace of Christ
- Rejoice  
Glorious Day

Proclaiming the Word

- Prayer for Illumination
  - First Reading
  - Conversation with Children
  - Second Reading
  - Sermon
- John 20:19-31
- Acts 5:27-32
- “Can I Get a Witness?”

Responding to the Word

- \* Offering
  - Celebration of the Lord's Supper
- I Fix My Eyes on You
- Gluten-free bread and non-fermented wine

Going Out to Serve

- \* Closing Song
  - \* Charge and Benediction
- Christ Is Risen, He is Risen Indeed
- Please join us in Fellowship Hall.  
Today’s refreshments are hosted by the  
Endowment Committee.

**Bold lettering** signifies congregational participation.  
\* Those who are able are invited to stand.  
§ Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it along.

11:00 Worship

Gathering

- Tower Bells
  - § Welcome and Announcements
  - Prelude
  - \* Introit
  - \* Call to Worship
- At Eastertide  
Stanford
- This is the Day

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!  
**Alleluia! Celebrate God in this sacred space!**  
Celebrate God in all places under heaven!  
**Give praise for God’s mighty deeds!**  
Give praise for God’s resurrecting power!  
**Praise God with a fanfare of trumpets.**  
Praise God with the harp and the cello!  
**Praise God with tambourines and dancing!**  
Praise God with flutes and guitars!  
**Praise God with cymbals and drums!**

- \* Hymn 236
  - \* Prayer of Confession
- The Strife is O’er

*Lectern Side:* Before you, Jesus Christ, we admit how and where we have underestimated our influence, letting our words and silences hurt, abusing trust, betraying confidences.  
*Leader:* Lord, have mercy:  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
*Pulpit Side:* We admit how and where we have made a show of faith, attracting more attention to us, and less to you.

*Leader:* Lord, have mercy:  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
*Lectern Side:* We admit that we have allowed a vague interest to become a dangerous passion, and we are not sure what to do, and whether or not we are in control of our own lives.  
*Leader:* Lord, have mercy:  
**Christ, have mercy.**

*Pulpit Side:* Lord Jesus Christ, if we have longed for or looked for an easier Gospel, a lighter cross, a less demanding Savior, then turn our eyes and avert our longing from what we want to choose to the One who has chosen us.  
*Leader:* Lord, have mercy:  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
**Please forgive our unfaithfulness, and now for better living, give us not the remedy we desire for tomorrow, but the grace you offer us today.**  
**We ask all of this for love’s sake. Amen.**

- \* Assurance of Pardon
- \* Passing the Peace of Christ

Proclaiming the Word

- Prayer for Illumination
  - First Reading
  - Sacrament of Baptism
  - \* Psalm 150
  - Third Reading
  - Sermon
- John 20:19-31
- Sullivan James Garneau  
son of Ashley and Jonathan Garneau
- Acts 5:27-32
- “Can I Get a Witness?”

Responding to the Word

- \* Hymn 238
  - \* Affirmation of Faith
  - Offering
- Thine Is the Glory
- Adapted from the Belhar Confession
- O Christ the Same  
Schalk
- O Christ the same, through all our story's pages,  
Our loves and hopes, our failures and our fears;  
Eternal Lord, the King of all the ages,  
Unchanging still, amid the passing years.

O living Word, the source of all creation,  
Who spread the skies, and set the stars ablaze,  
O Christ the same, who wrought our whole salvation,  
We bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

O Christ the same, the friend of sinners, sharing  
Our inmost thoughts, the secrets none can hide,  
Still as of old upon your body bearing  
The marks of love, in triumph glorified.

O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heaven,  
O Prince of life, in all your saving power,  
O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are given,  
We bring our thanks for this the present hour.

O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping  
Our lives and loves, our days and years remain,  
Our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping,  
Our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain.

O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows,  
For all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee,  
O Christ the same, beyond our brief tomorrows,  
We bring our thanks for all that is to be.

Prayers for the World and the Lord’s Prayer

Going Out to Serve

\* Hymn 246 Christ is Alive!

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Response Gloria Patri  
Carter

Postlude Fantasy on "Easter Hymn"  
Harris

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Leadership – David Forney, Reghan Harms, Jay Sanderford

Director of Music – Jeremy Thompson

Officer of the Day – Jan Garnett

Ushers 9:00 – Sheila Hegwood and Jeff Spann  
11:00 – Jan Freeland, Jim Freeland, Harriet Grosh,  
Bonita Metz, Mike Metz, Mary Norton,  
Nancy Roche, John Warren

We warmly welcome and encourage children to participate in worship as they are vital members of the family of God. To help, we have worship bags at the Sanctuary entrances. We also have safe and welcoming childcare for children under age 3, located in Room 127 on the Ground Level.

The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by David and Emily Goodwin, in loving memory of David’s parents, H. Newell and Blanche W. Goodwin, and Emily’s parents, Hugh T. and Bessie D. Pippin.

Prayer & Care Needs

Those Living with Cancer

John Wehmann; Bill McChesney; Jason Schenck

Those Coping with Life & Health Challenges

Downing Miller; Jeannie Pauley; Ginny Lindsey; Pat Wood;  
Asa Peeples, nephew of Ginny Howard-Smith Peeples;  
Libby Brown, mother of Amy Richardson; Mary Hamrick’s  
daughter-in-law, Lynne Hamrick; Pat and Ed Davis

Those Serving in the Military

Nate Titus and Patrick A. Keller, grandson and son of Barbara and Andy Keller; Nick Brannen, nephew of Susan Carl;  
Brian S. Hartless, nephew of Marie Hartless; Mark Roberts, son-in-law of Anne Sloop; Daniel Strunk, son of Ray Strunk



Online Offering  
Give an offering on our website.

Today at First Pres

9:00 Worship  
10:00 Fellowship and Classes  
2s & 3s, Room 128  
4s-Kindergarten, Room 131  
1st-2nd Grade, Room 129  
3rd-5th Grade, Room 215  
Middle School, Carriage House  
High School, Room 140  
Faith & Family, Room 216  
Getting to Know First Pres, Library  
Sport as a Path to God  
Agape Class, Led by J Freeland and Alex Howell  
Neighbor: Christian Encounters with Immigration,  
Chapel, Led by Christianne Queiroz  
11:00 Worship  
12:00 Fellowship  
12:15 Youth Committee Meeting, Conference Room  
5:30 Youth Group, Room 140

Upcoming at First Pres

May 4 Youth Day Combined Service, 10:00am  
May 4 Spring Picnic, 11:00am



Charlottesville, Virginia

Sunday, April 27, 2025



“Christ shows himself to Thomas”  
by Rowan and Irene LeCompte  
Washington National Cathedral