Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

WE ARE SENT OUT INTO THE WORLD

We receive God's blessing as we go out to be God's people in the world.

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*Hymn	mn Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven		
Benediction			
Choral Benediction	Thou gracious God, Whose mercy ~OctaVocé+	<i>lends</i> Mack Wilberg	
Postlude	Recessional	Arr. Robert Cundick	
*Please stand in body or spirit Come join our congregation for a time of fellowship and refreshments downstairs in the gym after worship.			
<u>Thank You To Our Participants In Worship Today</u> Worship Leader ~ Dan Kotansky Ushers ~ Glen & Ines Guenther Thank you to ~OctaVocé+ for assisting in Worship today!			



PRAYER CONCERNS Be in Prayer for Monthly: Cathy Spellman, and for all those with health issues.

<u>Please Hold in Prayer (Long Term):</u> Bruce Schnitzler. All those struggling with the disease of addiction and loved ones serving in the military. Special Prayers for our world in this trying time.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 28, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Building Relationships; Sharing God's Love.



Rev. Dr. Phillip A. Hagen, Pastor Leah Zumberge, Director of Music Ministries David Djambov, Organist Riley Palmer, Organist Elisabeth Palmer, Organist Kimberly Kvamme, Secretary Melanie Wetzel, Secretary Kelly P'Pool, Sexton Phone: 208.523.0501 www.fpcidahofalls.org

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Worship begins as God's people gather, praise God in words and music, and hear about God's love for us.

Questions for Reflection

How do you stay connected to Jesus, as the true vine?

Prelude	Lord, I Would Follow Thee	Arr. James Kasen
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Welcome and Announcements

Choral Call to Worship When Morning Gilds the Skies OctaVocé+

Call to Worship

We offer our praise in the congregation, paying our vows with those who revere God.

Those who seek God, praise God's name!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Creator.

For all creation belongs to God. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

***Hymn** I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art # 624

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God of life, you have adopted us as your own through Jesus Christ, yet we seek our lives apart from you, as if a branch cut off from its roots could survive, much less bear fruit. We claim for ourselves the name of Christ but live as if we belong to another. We treat your favor like a trophy—a sign of our deserving instead of your grace. We ask, even now, for your forgiveness, but withhold this same grace from others.

Have mercy on us, O God! Apart from you, we can do nothing. Help us abide with you through Jesus Christ, that our lives would bear fruit for your rule and your holy name be glorified. Amen.

Silence is Kept

Words of Assurance

*Response

Glory Be to the Father

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Time with Young Disciples

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

We ask God's Spirit to help us understand how God wants us to live.

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson	Psalm 22:25-31	NIV pp. 861-862	
Second Lesson	1 John 4:7-21	NIV pp. 1902-1903	
Special Music	<i>Coming Home</i> ~OctaVocé+	Arr. Lynn Shaw Bailey and Becki Slagle Mayo	
Third LessonLuke 15:11-24NIV p. 1624This is the Word of God for the people of God.Thanks be to God.			
Sermon Series: What is Lost Must Be Found			
Sermon "The	Younger Son"	Rev. Dr. Phillip A. Hagen	

God of the Sparrow

*Hymn

Rev. Dr. Phillip A. Hagen #22

*Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he arose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Special Music	<i>i carry your heart with me</i> ~OctaVocé+	Z. Randall Stroope	
*Invitation to the Offering			
*Doxology	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flov	v #606	

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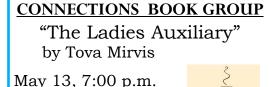
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