

buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again  
from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sitteth at 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.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH  
CONGREGATIONAL LIFE  
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY                      "A Mothers Day Bouquet"                      (Moore)

✦ DOXOLOGY                      **"O Bless the Gifts"**                      **#817**

O bless the gifts our hands have brought;  
And bless the work our hearts have planned.  
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;  
The rest, O God is in Your hand.

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**We come with assurance, O God, since you do not leave us  
alone. Your presence continues to guide us as we pursue the  
paths of discipleship. All that we have is a gift of your grace.  
As we offer our gifts to you, accept them as signs of our  
commitment to Christ. May all that we do be in praise of  
your encompassing care.**

✦ HYMN                      **"The Lord's Prayer"**                      **#631**

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ POSTLUDE                      "March Recessional"                      (Strickland)



# Happy Mother's Day



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# FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark Gabbard

Music - Kay E. Boyne / Liturgist - Mark Strange

May 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter



## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE "Dedication" (Higgins)

INTROIT "When I Look into Your Holiness" (Perrin)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what the Lord has done for me.

**Truly God has listened and given heed to the words of my prayer.**

You are blessed, O God, because you have not rejected my prayer, or removed your steadfast love from me.

**I will come into your house and pay you my vows, those that my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.**

Let us worship God!

### PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

✦ HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #210

### ✦ LITANY OF ASSURANCE

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is right? Have no fear of them, nor be troubled.

**For Christ also died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.**

Keep your conscience clear, so that those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.

**For Christ also died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.**

Baptism now save you, as an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

For Christ also died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.

Christ has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to God.

**For Christ also died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.**

✦ GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" #812

**Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be  
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

### ✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Greet one another in Peace.

ANTHEM "Love Unmeasured, Love of God" (Larson)

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

*(children are dismissed to the Classrooms for Sunday School)*

## THE WORD OF GOD

Acts 17:22 – 31 (pages 120 – 121, NT)

1 Peter 3:13 - 22 (page 207)

John 14:15 – 21 (page 95, NT)

SERMON "The Advocate"

\* HYMN "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" #400

### ✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Let us say what we believe.

**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, died, and was**

# About First United Presbyterian Church

## Church Staff

## To Our Visitors

**Minister:** Rev. Mark D. Gabbard  
*pastor@soopresbyterian.org*

**Commissioned Ruling Elder:** Brenda Ransom

**Clerk of Session:** Jessica Kuenzer

**President of Trustees:** Michael Lussier

**Chairman of Deacons:** Jeanne Shibley

**Music Director/Organist:** Kay E. Boyne

**Administrative Assistant:** Nicole McKelvie  
*office@soopresbyterian.org*

**Sexton:** Jason Fuller

**Pastor's Office Hours:** 9:15 AM to 12:00 PM (Monday-Friday)  
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**Hearing Assistance**  
 devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.

Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us today.



- ✦ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM  
*(Children join the worship service for the first 15 minutes to hear the Children's Sermon)*
- ✦ Sunday School - 10:15 AM  
*K through 12th Grade - all meet in lower level classrooms*
- ✦ The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.
- ✦ An asterisk (\*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.
- ✦ Soup and Sandwich is held the 1st Sunday of each month in the Social Hall. Please join us!
- ✦ If you need the Pastor after hours, call Church Office to make appointment, or ask Nicole for Pastor Mark's cell phone number.

**Please Silence**  
**all electronics**  
**prior to worship**  
**service.**



***The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:***  
***Invite people to know and glorify God***  
***Grow together as followers of Christ***  
***Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit***

### This Week's Calendar May 14 - May 21, 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
9:00am Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15am Choir Practice (MR) 10:00am Worship Service 10:15am Sunday School HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY	5:30pm Session Meeting 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH)	5:30pm Trustee Meeting	
Wednesday	 Presbyterian Church (USA)		
9:30am Women's Bible Study (WR) 6:00pm Choir Practice (S)			
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Thursday
9:00am Men's Bible Study (WR)	7:00pm A.A.	9:00am Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15am Choir Practice (MR) 10:00am Worship Service 10:15am Sunday School 11:15am Deacons Meeting Graduation Recognition	10:00am Textile Social (SH) 



## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We ask that you remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week:

Dolores leuvoy, Patty Russell, Carolyn Trumble, Susan Alexander, Robert Corbin, Erick Florip, Terry Mason, Scott Wallace, Nellie Harrington, Aaron Corbiere, Carolyn Shaw, Della Porter, Gina Gough, Jon Burgess, Kimberly (Swick) Jewell, Jeffrey Burgess, Donna LaPlaunt, Sandy Shaw, Jane Kellan, William Kellan, Patricia Farnhill, Geraldine Carnahan, Lillian Donelson, Dave & Leslie Henderson, Tara Jean Brody, and all members of missionaries, and the U.S. Armed Forces.

**Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.**

**If you would to add individuals to the prayer list or your prayers have been answered and you would like to be removed from the list, please contact the office**



### **VISITORS, WELCOME TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!**

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or call the church office. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

**DEACON PRAYER CHAIN** Please remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Jeanne Shibley at (906) 630-1707.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** We have Prayer Request slips available in the narthex, near the sanctuary doors. If you would like to request prayers today, please fill out a slip and hand it to one of the ushers prior to the service.

**RIDES TO CHURCH** If anyone needs a ride to church, please contact the church office before Friday of each week and the Deacons will arrange a pick up time.

**BULLETIN BOARD** Please visit the bulletin board across from the office for information concerning local events, news, and resources available in the community.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** Choir meets on Wednesdays at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary; and Sunday at 9:15am, all are invited to come sing with us!

**PW FUNDRAISERS** The PW famous Dish Cloths are for sale at \$1.25 each. Buy several —the price is right! Get yours today! Ultimate Cloths, no chemicals needed, cleans with just water using MiraFiber technology! Guaranteed 5 years general use! Come on in to the Church office and get yours for only \$6 or 5 for \$25. Presbyterian Women's Second Edition Favorite Salads cookbook also available in church office for only \$8!

**TEXTILE SOCIAL** The Textile Social Group meets the 1st, 3rd, and 4th Thursday of each month, from 10:00am to 1:00pm in the Social Hall.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Our Women's bible study group May Mission is again asking for non-food items for our FUPC food pantry, such as paper towels, laundry soap, toothpaste, soap, and toilet paper. We appreciate the support you have given in the past, and prayerfully ask for your continued support. If you want to suggest an organization for future support, please see Nicole in the church office or talk to any of us in the Bible study group.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Meets on Wednesdays at 9:30am in the Westminster Room (This group does not meet the second Wednesday of the month)

**GRADUATES!** If someone in your family is graduating from high school or college, FUPC would like to recognize them during the May 21st worship service. Please provide their name and a brief bio to the church office by Monday, **May 15th**. Any questions can be directed to Jessica Kuenzer or Melissa Gabbard.

**FUPC MEETINGS** Session will meet on Monday May 15th at 5:30pm. Trustees will meet Tuesday May 16th at 5:30pm. Deacons will meet Sunday May 21st at 11:15am.

**PW MEETING** Previously scheduled for Tuesday May 16th is Canceled.



### **SERVING US THIS WEEK**

**Greeters:** Cheryl Thoreson & Alegra Soorus

**Ushers:** Ron Meister, David Bernier, Fred Michels, Roger Roe, & Paul Sabourin

### **SERVING US NEXT WEEK**

**Greeters:** Cheryl Thoreson & Alegra Soorus

**Ushers:** Charlie Zane, Margaret Money, Alegra Soorus, & Audrey Zane

**Last week's attendance: 76**

**Last week's offering: \$3,367**