



First Presbyterian Church
May 4, 2025

Third Sunday in Easter

9:30 am

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Congregational readings are in **bold** type.

+ indicates all are invited to stand.

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome & Announcements

Passing of the Peace

The Peace of the Risen Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Prelude

“Prelude”

Jacques Boyvin

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+ Call to Worship

Evie Vogelpohl

We gather to worship.

We worship God who raised Jesus from the dead.

We come seeking clarity.

As we follow the risen Jesus, we seek guidance when the path isn't clear.

Guide us and encourage us, Jesus.

Guide us and encourage us, Jesus.

+Hymn 30

“O God, in a Mysterious Way”

Verses 1,3,4

DUNDEE

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Prayer of Confession

We confess, God of Justice and Grace, it's a challenge following Jesus, especially as we seek to stand firmly on his principles. We find ourselves at odds with others, even loved ones, who hold a different perspective about: caring for vulnerable people,

advocating for those who are unhoused, supporting neighbors with a hand up. Forgive us when we hesitate, when we let public pressure sway us away from your guidance. We pray in the name of Jesus, who embodies solidarity with all people, and connection with you.

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Wise God: In times of division,
grant us wisdom, grant us courage.
Help us follow the risen Jesus
feeling forgiven, loved and empowered.

Response Hymn 238

“Thine is the Glory”

JUDAS MACCABEUS

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PROCLAIMING THE WORD

+ Gospel Reading

Luke 12:49-53

Time with Children

Jen Riddle

(Children under 5 may go to the nursery. Children K-6th are to stay in the Sanctuary.)

Sermon

“Multiplication and Division”

Rev. Dr. Felipe Martinez

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+Hymn on screen

“Do Not Be Vexed”

Verses 1,2,4

ST. ANNE

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Moment for Mission

Heads Up Mental Health Initiative

Sandy Thomas

Offertory

“Hope Lingers On”

Lissa Schneckenburger

Sanctuary Choir

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+ Doxology 607 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

OLD HUNDREDTH

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

Amen.

+ Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

+Hymn 530

“One Bread, One Body”

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

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Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

First response: 595

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

ARGENTINE SANTO

Traditional Argentine

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Santo, santo, santo. ¡Mi corazón te adora!

Mi corazón te sabe decir: ¡Santo eres, Señor!

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!

My heart knows how to say to you: you are holy, Lord!

Second response: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Third response: The Lord’s Prayer

The Words of Institution

Communion Distribution “Room at the Table”

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Sanctuary Choir

Prayer after communion

Ordination and Installation: Deacon Leanne Loutner, Ruling Elder Sherry Stark

Unison prayer:

Gracious God, allow your Holy Spirit to shine brightly upon your servants, whom you called through baptism and marked as your own. Grant them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Give them a spirit of truthfulness, that they may show the compassion of Christ in their daily living, and rightly govern your people. Give them the gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision. In the walk of faith and in the work of ministry, give to your servants gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor and courage, and an abiding sense of your presence, in Christ’s name. Amen.

GOING IN GOD’S NAME

+ Hymn 761 “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service” Verses 1-3 BEECHER

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

“Toccata”

Johann Kuhnau

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship! We are glad you are here and we are worshipping together. Please ask ushers for information about our nursery, large-print bulletins, hearing -aid assists, or current newsletters. Please sign the *Friendship Registration* pads and share your contact information, especially if you are worshipping here for the first time.

We strive toward the use of **inclusive language** in our church as it pertains to people and to God.

Restrooms are located in the Loggia/Franklin St. glass door entrance, Laws Room across from the kitchen (all-gender, handicap-accessible restroom), and the balcony of the Laws Room. **Wheelchairs** are available, please ask an usher if you need one.

We live stream our services. If you prefer not to appear in the streaming, please sit in the back six pews. Time with Children on the steps will not be streamed with video to protect the identity of the children.

THANK YOU to our liturgist, Evie Vogelpohl and the Sanctuary Choir.

THE FLOWERS TODAY are given in honor of Bob Orben, from Chip, Julie, Devon, Corrine and Kristen.

HEADS UP Mental Health and Well Being Information

WHEN:

All Groups meet on the FIRST & THIRD day of each month.

Adult Mental Health and Wellness Support Group Meets on Saturdays at 4-5pm

Youth Support Group meets on Mondays at 6-7pm

Journeyers Group meets on Tuesdays 10-11am

WHERE:

We (all groups) meet in the REEVES Room. Enter Door 1 on 7th Street. Go upstairs.

Light snacks provided.

WHO: One does not have to be a member of FPC. Open to ALL. Bring a friend.

Adult Group: Anyone over age 19. Anyone with lived experience or loves someone with lived experience.

Youth Group: Youth and teens 13 and up.

Journeyers: Any adult that is journeying through a challenging stage of life. Including but not limited to: those experiencing Grief, Adult Caregivers, or those experiencing loss such as divorce or financial stress.

Have questions? CONTACT:

Calls or texts: Sandy Thomas 812-350-7050

Email: headsupcolumbus@gmail.com

DATES: Come anytime. We are OPEN support groups.

Adult: May 3 & 17, June 7 & 21, July 5 & 19, Aug 2 & 16, Sept 6 & 20, Oct 4 & 18, Nov 1 & 15, Dec 6 & 20

Youth: May 5 & 19, June 9 & 23, July 7 & 21, Aug 4 & 18, Sept 8 & 22, Oct 6 & 20, Nov 3 & 17, Dec 8 & 22

Journeyers: May 6 & 20, June 10 & 24, Jul 8 & 22, Aug 5 & 19, Sept 9 & 23, Oct 7 & 21, Nov 4 & 18, Dec 9 & 23

Children & Youth Schedule

Sunday's Schedule for Children and Youth - May 4, 2025:

Pre-K and Younger:

Parents: Each child needs a registration form for the 2024-2025 school year. Please accompany your child to the Nursery and fill out a form before leaving them in our care. When picking up your children, please be sure to sign them out. Thank you!

- 9:15-10:30am The Nursery is open all morning for our youngest in the family. Parents are welcome to drop off kids beginning at 9:15am, or keep them with you during worship, where we welcome the presence and sounds of children.
- 10:30-10:45am Joyful Noise in the Nursery.
- 10:45am Childcare continues in the Gym. Please sign children out before leaving.

Children (Kindergarten-6th Grade):

Parents: Each child needs a registration form for the 2024-2025 school year. Forms are available from volunteers as you sign your child out, in the gym, on the bulletin board between the kitchen and church office, and on the church website. Thank you!

- 9:30-10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary with family and friends. Build Your Own Worship Bag with activities and toys are located by the Franklin Street entrances to the sanctuary.

Youth (Grades 7-12):

- 9:30-10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary with family and friends
- 5:00-6:30pm OWL @ UUCI

Patio Parties PLUS are back and you can be a host

Patio Parties PLUS are back and the Adult Fellowship and Education Committee is looking for volunteers to host an event. It's a great way to get together for informal fellowship, but it can only happen if people are willing to step up and host an event. The possibilities are almost endless. In the past people have hosted hiking, bicycling, euchre night, trivia night, cooking lesson, music recital, and more, as well as "traditional" patio parties. If you would like to host a patio party PLUS use this QR code, or find the link in the Friday email, to provide information about your idea. You can host an event in your home, a park, a restaurant, at church, or wherever you choose. Each party is different. The host can suggest that everyone bring something for a pitch-in or ask that people bring something to contribute to a themed dinner. Whatever the event, it is a chance to get to know each other better and to meet new people. Please consider hosting an event this summer. Contact Dale Nowlin, denowlin@gmail.com, if you have any questions or want to talk



CALLING ALL GRADS!



We are planning to honor all our church grads on Grad Sunday, May 18, in the worship service. The bulletin will honor all Grads: Preschool, Kindergarten, Sixth Grade, Eighth Grade, High School, College, Graduate Degrees, as well as career and technical program completions. There will also be a newsletter article in June congratulating each achievement. The families with children in our database will receive an email with details. If there are other children or adults with graduations, please notify Jen at jriddle@fpccolumbus.org. **Submissions are due May 7.** Congratulations to all!

Children and Youth News



May *Kid's Church Schedule*

- 4** INTERGEN SERVICE
Nursery only
- 11** REGULAR SERVICE
All Kids Class
- 18** REGULAR SERVICE
All Kids Class and Worship Arts
- 26** MEMORIAL DAY
Nursery only



Scan the QR code to learn more about children and worship.

Nursery is Open this Week!

Today is **intergenerational worship** Sunday so that all ages can worship together, celebrating communion. Our nursery is open for kids up to pre-k, but we welcome older kiddos to stay in worship with their families following the Time with Children.

JOIN US FOR THE

2025 FPC YOUTH SERVICE-LEARNING TRIP!

JULY 20-25; ASHEVILLE, NC



Register Now

Email jriddle@fpcolumbus.org to reserve your spot by May 30!

\$150 nonrefundable deposit holds your spot!

We invite all teens (completing 7th-12th grade in May 2025) to join our work trip to Asheville! We are working on hurricane recovery through Youth Mission Co.



We are thrilled to announce that Interfaith Peace Camp for children ages 5-12 years old will be returning to the UUCI campus this summer from June 2nd-6th. We will also have the optional family pitch in and camp out on Friday June 6th-Saturday June 7th.

Registration closes on May 12—Sign Up NOW!

Child Registration for 2025 Interfaith Peace Camp

<https://uucci.breezechms.com/form/2025InterfaithPeaceCamp91>

Continuing this year is an opportunity for 13–17-year-olds to participate in a **Counselor in Training Program**.

<https://uucci.breezechms.com/form/CITPeaceCamp2025>

Volunteer for Interfaith Peace Camp

June 2-6 9am-4pm

Last June, we welcomed the return of Peace Camp with 50 kids from our Interfaith Columbus partners spending the week together focused on peace, learning together, and building community.

Do you have fond memories of camp?
Do you have a skill or passion to share?

We need **MANY** helping hands to help make camp possible.
 1 hour, 1 day, or the entire week.
 We will help you find the best opportunity to volunteer, including behind the scenes!



VOLUNTEER HERE

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bit.ly/VolunteerPeaceCamp

OR

SCAN HERE



Check us out on the web at www.fpccolumbus.org Join our Facebook groups by going to “First Presbyterian Church Columbus Indiana” and “First Pres Columbus Prayer Page” (click on the button that says “Join group”).



You can now find us on Instagram at [first.pres.columbus.in](https://www.instagram.com/first.pres.columbus.in)

Church WiFi: FPC Guest, Password Guest123

Donate to FPC now
<http://bit.ly/4083lQw>

Ministers: The congregation of First Presbyterian Church

Staff:

Felipe Martinez, Pastor and Head of Staff's email is felipem@fpccolumbus.org. His extension is 223.

April Hemmerlein, FPC Preschool Director's email is aprilh@fpccolumbus.org.

Jen Riddle, Director of Children, Youth and Young Adults Ministries. Her email is jriddle@fpccolumbus.org or call the church office.

Jordan Lewis, Organist, can be reached via email at jordanl@fpccolumbus.org.

Jenny Heichelbech, Choir Director, can be reached at ext. 225 or via email at jennyh@fpccolumbus.org.

Brook Brown, Church Administrative Assistant, will be in the office Monday and Wednesday thru Friday from 9 am until 5 pm. Tuesday, from 9 am until 3 pm. Phone extension is 221 and email is brookb@fpccolumbus.org.

Missy Burton, Financial Administrative Assistant. Her email address is mburton@fpccolumbus.org or call the church office.

OFFICE HOURS are typically Monday & Wednesday - Friday **9:00 am - 5 pm** and Tuesday **9:00 am - 3 pm**, with the office closed from noon until 1 pm for lunch.

Want to sign up for the eblast? Email Brook Brown at brookb@fpccolumbus.org!

Want to privately speak with someone about your pledge? Email our Treasurer at promise@fpccolumbus.org.



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