

**OPENING PRAYER:**

In the wilderness, water brings life. Seek us out, O God, and take us to the water. In the Word of God, the good news gives life. Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding. In the bread and the wine, the body of our Savior nourishes everyone. Seek us out, O God, and give us yourself. Here is the water of life, the word that feeds the food of eternity. Come and praise the vine that gives all goodness. **Amen.**

**PRELUDE**

*When in Our Music God Is Glorified* Stanford (arr. Broughton)  
Adele Harrison, organ

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Mark Juengel

**INTROIT**

*Take Thou Our Mind, Dear Lord*  
Chancel Choir

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Annie James

Leader: Here we have come together; we have come to worship our risen Lord.

**People: Jesus has invited us here, saying to us, "Abide in me as I abide in you."**

Leader: We live in Jesus Christ.

**People: Those who abide in Jesus blossom and flourish in God's wondrous love.**

Leader: As we live in Jesus Christ, our lives are transformed and our spirits renewed.

**People: We live in Jesus Christ and now we are here to worship and witness to our faith.**

\*Hymn #641: "When in our Music God is Glorified"

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Anthony Kiesendahl

**God of mercy, we confess that we have not borne the fruit of the Spirit. We have not loved others as you have loved us. We have denied the promises of baptism and cut ourselves off from you. Forgive us, restore us, that we may abide in your love and life out your mercy, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

**Kyrie**

Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us.  
Lord have mercy upon us.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Emma Ey

You have already been cleansed by the word that God has spoken to you. In baptism God claimed you and joined you to Christ, as branches to a vine. Believe the promise given to you; in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Alleluia, Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please sign the **Friendship Attendance Pad** at the end of the pews. This allows the church to be in touch with you and for you to greet your neighbor by name during the passing of peace during the service.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS/NEW MEMBERS** – We welcome into membership this morning a wonderful group of young people. They have completed the Confirmation course and are presented to the congregation today. Please come and welcome them during Coffee Hour. Our new members are: Ava Caruso, Ben Cumberland, Emma Ey, Annie James, Anthony Kiesendahl, Edward Kiesendahl, Emma Waszczak and Maddie Miller.

**175<sup>th</sup> CHURCH OPEN HOUSE – Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 1pm-3pm.**

**175<sup>th</sup> OPEN HOUSE VOLUNTEERS** – We need Parking Lot Attendants, Tour Guides and Greeters. Sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex.

**ECLIPSE GLASSES** – We are collecting Eclipse Glasses to send to Children in South America. Please see Jill J. for more information.

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER** – Join Rev. Mark in the Sanctuary on **Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** for a guided meditation from **2pm-3pm.**

**GERANIUM FLOWER ORDERS - Pentecost is May 19<sup>th</sup>.** Final day to place an order will be **May 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**MOTHER'S DAY** - We welcome all women of the church and community to join us on **Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** as we celebrate our mothers and all the women in our lives who have blessed us along the way.

**2024 Graduates** - If anyone has a Graduate from High School or College this May or June they would like to acknowledge, please forward the following information to the church office by **May 26<sup>th</sup>** so that we can recognize our Graduates in June. Information needed: Student Name, Connection to You, School Graduating From, College Degree, Future Plans. Our office email is [fpoffice@ptd.net](mailto:fpoffice@ptd.net)

**WEDNESDAY EVENING & THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUPS:** We will be meeting **every Wednesday, at 6:30pm and every Thursday Morning Bible at 11am.**

**NEWSLETTER** - Our next monthly Newsletter will be in **June.** Newsletter articles need to be turned into the office by **Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - Please sign up in the vestibule to be an **Usher** and to host **Coffee Hour** and **Good News Café.** For **Liturgists** see **Adele Harrison** and to help with **Communion** see **Ann Marie Grilk.**

**CALENDAR OF THE WEEK**

<b>Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup></b> 11:00am: Staff Meeting 11:00am: Small Group Monday 12:00pm: AA Meeting		<b>Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>9:00am: Bldg. &amp; Grounds Meeting</b> 11:00am: Bible Study 2:00pm: National Day of Prayer
<b>Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup></b> 10:00am: Handbell Choir 11:00am: Chancel Choir 8:00pm: NA		<b>Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00am: Worship Service (Communion) <b>Parish Life Meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup></b> 12:00pm: AA Meeting 5pm-8pm: Cub Scouts 6:30pm: Bible Study		
<b>Liturgist Schedule:</b> 4/28: Ava Caruso, Ben Cumberland, Emma Ey, Annie James Anthony Kiesendahl, Edward Kiesendahl, & Emma Waszczak  5/5 – Nancy Vignau 5/12 – Jim Mould 5/19 – Sherry Milliken 5/26 – Beth Crowley	<b>Usher Schedule:</b> 4/28 – Becky Lee & Pat Gemeinhardt  5/5: Dave Smith & Don Granza 5/12: Jill Juengel & Kika Dyson 5/19: Pat Bartleson & Becky Lee 5/26: Pat Schmidt & Pat Gemeinhardt	<b>May Communion</b> <b>(May 5th)</b> Set Up & Clean Up: Pat B. Servers: Pat B., Ann Marie G., Pat G., Jen K. & Brad K.  <b>June Communion</b> <b>(June 2nd)</b> Set Up & Clean Up: Michelle W. Servers: Michelle W., John S., Kathleen R., Kika D.

**JOYS and CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF 4/28/2024**

- \*Prayers for Patsy Mullin.
- \*Prayers for Donna H. friend of Virginia R.
- \*Prayers for Manye S., son of Rev. Mark's friend.
- \*Prayers for Emily B.
- \*Prayers for Penny friend of Susan R.
- \*Prayers for Bill C. who is recovering from surgery.
- \*Prayers for Denise S. and her family, friends of Kevin & Pat W.
- \*Prayers for Matt R.'s sister.
- \*Prayers for people of Gaza-Khader.
- \*Prayers for John E.'s sister-in-law Stacy, who is having cognitive issues with a frontal lobe disease.
- \*Prayers for Donna, Lynn S.'s daughter.
- \*Prayers for Natalie, Ruth C.'s granddaughter.
- \*Prayers for Rebecca W. and her family.
- \*Prayers for Jessica C.'s 3-year-old nephew.
- \*Prayers for Kathy B.'s granddaughter, Kinsley.

\*Congregational Response, Hymn #611:

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”  
Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flowers  
before thee,  
opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rev. Mark Juengel

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Ben Cumberland

God of city dwellers and of country people, God of developing nations and of industrial powers, God of laborers and of administrators, your people speak many languages and experience you in many ways. Open our hearts and minds to the truth that others can tell us about you. Help us to hear today all the ways you reach out to us, and to discern your will for our lives. Amen.

First Lesson: Acts 8:26-40 Emma Waszczak

Second Lesson: John 15:1-8 Emma Ey

Music Meditation *Make Me a Servant* Williams & Harlan  
Chancel Choir

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

SERMON “Eat Your Fruits and Vegetables” Rev. Mark Juengel

RECEPTION OF THE CONFIRMATION CLASS

Hymn #761: “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

INVITATION TO OFFERTORY

Rev. Mark Juengel

Offertory *Children of the Heavenly Father* arr. Tom Fettke  
Matthew Rupcich, piano

\*Doxology, “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

OFFERING

Ava Caruso & Edward Kiesendahl

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Edward Kiesendahl

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER  
(using debts and debtors)

\*Hymn #69: “Here I am Lord”

THE BENEDICTION

Choral Benediction

“Irish Blessing”

Traditional

May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back.  
May the sunshine warm upon your face.  
May the rain fall soft on your fields,  
And until we meet again, until we meet again.  
May God hold you in the palm of his hand.

POSTLUDE

*Called as Partners*  
Adele Harrison, organ

Zundel (arr. Jordan)

\*Please stand if you are able.

# First Presbyterian Church of Hawley

*“Come to Grow in Love, Spirit, and Faith”*



**April 28, 2024**

**10 AM**

*Baptism & Confirmation Class Received*

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*“My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”  
John 15:8*

*Please take time to prepare for worship through meditation and prayer during the prelude. As the prelude begins, quiet your voice and soul. With music and prayer let us move from “getting to church” to “being the church” as we worship together.*