

CONTRIBUTING TO TODAY'S SERVICE:

Greeter: Marilyn Sjogren
Ushers: Alisa Dinneen, Bill & Karen Wilson
Tech Crew: Steve Tangeman & Jenna Robinson
Organist: Helen Wild
Scripture Reader: Rojean DuBois

The Salvation Army needs: Spaghetti-O's and other canned meals, ramen noodles, canned vegetables, soups, spaghetti sauce and noodles, granola bars and boxed individual snacks, crackers, hamburger helper, pop tarts, peanut butter and jelly, toilet paper, and paper towels.

Prayers requested for health, healing, and peace:

Susie - (Pam Trussell's cousins) Gail Miller - (Rosalie Goff's stepdaughter)
John McVey, and Kristin Kliewer & family

THIS WEEK @ FPC * May 5th - 11th

Today	9:15 am	Adult & Children's Sunday School
	10:00 am	Choir Ensemble Practice
Wednesday	10:30 am	Worship Service
	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast @ Del Puente Cafe
	10:00 am	PW Circle
	1:30 pm	Nurture Team Mtg.
	6:00 pm	Deacon's Mtg.
Thursday	7:00 pm	JUMP
	11:00 am	Community Playschool Luncheon
	7:00 pm	Outreach Mtg.
Next Sunday	7:00 pm	Operations Mtg.
		PW Birthday Offering, Mother's Day, & Graduate Recognition – Jacklyn Giles

Worship @

First Presbyterian Church

Newton, KS



PRELUDE “A Joyful Celebration”

arr. Patricia Lou Harris

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

- Welcome, Announcements, Guests & Prayer Requests

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Recite in unison)

*God of love, we pray that you give us love:
love in our thinking, love in our speaking, love in our doing,
and love in the hidden places of our souls;
love of our neighbors, near and far;
love of our friends, old and new;
love of those whom we find it hard to bear,
and love of those we find it hard to bear with us;
love of those with whom we work,
and love of those with whom we take our ease;
love in joy, love in sorrow; love in life and love in death;
that so at length we may be worthy to dwell with you,
who are eternal Love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
forever and ever. In Jesus name, Amen.*

✦ **LORD’S PRAYER** (Pray in unison)

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.

✦ **HYMN** “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” PH #150

✦ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON**
(Recite in unison) - **See Insert**

✦ **CHORAL RESPONSE** “Gloria Patri” PH # 579

*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!*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Bill Wilson

No Lil’ Worship Warriors Today

HYMN “Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me” PH # 366

SCRIPTURE

Rojean DuBois

Ephesians 3 - NRSVUE

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God

SERMON – Rev. Scott McGinnis

Buildings of the Bible: “The Apostle Paul in Prison”

LORD’S SUPPER

Communion is offered two ways: From the Communion Table or Packaged Individual Communion Elements. Please place used cups in sealed bags and discard after service. Thank you!

GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “My Lord, What a Morning!”
arr. Eugene W. Hancock

✦ **DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION** PH #592

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✦ **HYMN** “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!” PH #145

✦ **BENEDICTION**

✦ **POSTLUDE** *Trumpet Voluntary on “Rejoice, the Lord is King”*
arr. John G. Barr

***FPC’s secretary will be out of the office May 9th - 14th. Please contact her by 1 p.m. Wednesday the 8th for any office needs as the office will be closed May 9th – 14th. Pastor Scott will still be available and can help with office needs. Please contact him by his cell phone if you need assistance.**

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(Recite in unison)

Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength.

We have not always loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Pardon

Hear the good news!

Christ died for us,

Christ rose for us,

Christ reigns in power for us,

Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Ephesians 3

3 This is the reason that I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you gentiles, ² for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you ³ and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴ a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵ In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶ that is, the gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. ⁷ Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power.

⁸ Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ ⁹ and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things, ¹⁰ so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have access in boldness and confidence through faith in him. ¹³ I pray, therefore, that you may not lose heart over my sufferings for you; they are your glory.

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶ I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit ¹⁷ and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸ I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

