

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ABERDEEN

June 2, 2024 at 10 am

“Don’t be selfish; don’t try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don’t look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.” (Philippians 2:3–4)

PRELUDE

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“AS THE DEER”

As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart’s desire
And I long to worship Thee.

*You alone are my strength my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart’s desire
And I long to worship Thee.*

You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though You are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything. *[Refrain]*

I want You more than gold or silver
Only You can satisfy
You alone are the real joygiver
And the apple of my eye. *[Refrain]*

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WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAYERS FOR THE CONGREGATION AND THE WORLD

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

In love and joy God calls us together.

**And so we meet on this day that the Lord has made
as friends, as neighbors, as sisters and brothers in Christ.**

Called together by God, we bring our offerings to God:

Our songs, our prayers, our minds, our hearts, our lives.

Grateful for this opportunity to give and receive,
let us worship our triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

* *Please stand if you are able*

HYMN #142: "ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME"

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
 Let angels prostrate fall;
 Bring forth the royal diadem,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
 Bring forth the royal diadem,
 And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
 Ye ransomed from the fall,
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
 And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe,
 On this terrestrial ball,
 To Him all majesty ascribe,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
 To Him all majesty ascribe,
 And crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng
 We at His feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 And crown Him Lord of all!
 We'll join the everlasting song,
 And crown Him Lord of all!

CHOIR

THE READING AND PROCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

Sermon: "Joyful Living: In Unselfish Service"

Philippians 2:19-30

If the Lord Jesus is willing, I hope to send Timothy to you soon for a visit. Then he can cheer me up by telling me how you are getting along. ²⁰ I have no one else like Timothy, who genuinely cares about your welfare. ²¹ All the others care only for themselves and not for what matters to Jesus Christ. ²² But you know how Timothy has proved himself. Like a son with his father, he has served with me in preaching the Good News. ²³ I hope to send him to you just as soon as I find out what is going to happen to me here. ²⁴ And I have confidence from the Lord that I myself will come to see you soon.

²⁵ Meanwhile, I thought I should send Epaphroditus back to you. He is a true brother, co-worker, and fellow soldier. And he was your messenger to help me in my need. ²⁶ I am sending him because he has been longing to see you, and he was very distressed that you heard he was ill. ²⁷ And he certainly was ill; in fact, he almost died. But God had mercy on him—and also on me, so that I would not have one sorrow after another.

²⁸ So I am all the more anxious to send him back to you, for I know you will be glad to see him, and then I will not be so worried about you. ²⁹ Welcome him in the Lord's love and

with great joy, and give him the honor that people like him deserve.³⁰ For he risked his life for the work of Christ, and he was at the point of death while doing for me what you couldn't do from far away.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

The metal basket in the offering plate is for gifts to support our deacons' provision of care, support, and financial assistance to those in need.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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"HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US"

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Our practice is to eat the bread individually as it is distributed,
and to hold onto the cup until all have received it, and then partake of it in unison.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Passing the Peace: "May the peace of Christ be with you"

Communion

* *Please stand if you are able*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

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HYMN #466: "O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING"

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of God's grace!

Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

Christ breaks the power of reigning sin,
And sets the prisoner free;
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean,
Christ's blood availed for me.

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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CALENDAR

- TODAY** Choir Practice (9:00 in Parlor)
Sunday Worship (10:00 in the Sanctuary)
- Tuesday, June 4** Tuesday Crew (9:00–11:30)
Worship at Channel Point (10:30)
Handbell Rehearsal (5:00 pm in the Sanctuary)
- Wednesday, June 5** Quilting Group (10:30 – 2:30)
- Saturday, June 8** Youth Group Overnight Retreat at Camp Bethel (10:00 in the church parking lot)
- Sunday, June 9** Sunday Worship (10:00 in the Sanctuary)
Potluck after the Service
- Looking Ahead** June 16: Father's Day Ice Cream Social (after church service)

Helping Hands: Our deacons are here to help! If you're stuck with a problem around your home feel free to give Brian Krohn a call to see if someone from the church can give you a hand; Brian's number is 360-580-1683. You can also pick up a card with his number on it from the table in Fellowship Hall to put it on your refrigerator (or wherever you'll remember it when it's needed).

Our deacons are *also* developing a ministry to provide **help with meals** when members of our congregation are in need of temporary meal assistance. If you would like to join a team of others who will be available to make a meal for someone, please sign up to help on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Thanks!

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