

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ABERDEEN

June 4, 2023 at 10 am

*"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,
patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control." (Galatians 5:22-23)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

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"10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)"

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His holy name;
Sing like never before, O my soul,
I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning;
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes. *[Refrain]*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger;
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *[Refrain]*

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name;
Sing like never before, O my soul,
I'll worship Your holy name.*

*Worship Your holy name,
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.*

*"10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)" by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING THE PEACE, PRAYERS FOR THE CONGREGATION AND THE WORLD

HONORING OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE:

Kasie Caskey

* Please stand if you are able

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

**Know that the LORD is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

**For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

Psalm 100

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HYMN #356: "COME THOU FOUNT"

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

THE READING AND PROCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

Sermon: *"The Life We Want"*

Galatians 5:16–17, 22–23, 25

Let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.
¹⁷ The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions.

²² But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!

²⁵ Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.

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.

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DOXOLOGY

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

BAPTISM:

William Torvald Ængus Sharpe

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon (unison)

**Gracious and Merciful God,
you have given us your law and the teachings of Jesus
to direct us in the way of life.**

**You offer us your Holy Spirit
so that we can be born to new life as your children.**

**Yet, O God, we confess that our selfishness,
and the ways of this world, have a strong attraction—
and we often succumb to their lure.**

**Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture life,
that we may receive your blessing. Amen.**

Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (unison)

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

* *Please stand if you are able*

**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 shall 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.

Baptism in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

RECEPTION OF CONFIRMANDS INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Judith Mei Light

William Torvald Ængus Sharpe

SOLO: "I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY"

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 partake of it in unison.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Communion

"THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE"

We are one in the Spirit,
We are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit,
We are one in the Lord.
And we pray that all unity,
May one day be restored.

*And they'll know we are Christians
By our love, by our love;
Yes, they'll know we are Christians
By our love.*

We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand;
We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand.
And together we'll spread the news,
That God is in our land.

*And they'll know we are Christians
By our love, by our love;
Yes, they'll know we are Christians
By our love.*

We will work with each other,
We will work side by side;
We will work with each other,
We will work side by side.
And we'll guard each man's dignity,
And save each man's pride. *[Refrain]*

All praise to the Father,
From whom all things come;
And all praise to Christ Jesus,
His only Son;
And all praise to the Spirit,
Who makes us one. *[Refrain]*

"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love," by Peter Scholtes;
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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WEBSITE: ABERDEENPRES.ORG

CALENDAR

- TODAY, June 4** Celebration of Confirmands (4:00 – 7:00 pm)
Home of Scott and Aries Light
838 Essex Ave
- Thurs, June 8** Session (7:00 pm)
- Thurs, June 15** Deacons' Meeting (6:00 pm)
- Sunday, June 18** Father's Day: Gourmet Pie and Ice Cream after the service!