



FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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April 28, 2024

8:30 a.m.

Music Appreciation Sunday

GATHERING

(Please use this time to prepare reflectively for worship.)

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

Isaac Thomas

PRELUDE

Jesu, Our Joy, We Adore Thee
Music by J.S. Bach and Ludwig van Beethoven; Arranged by Jay Rouse

Isaac Thomas, piano

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Ps 96:1; 95:2; 98:1; 105:2; 66:2; 81:1; 95:1; Eph 5:18-19; Heb 2:12)

Rev. Phil Butin

Sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Come into God's presence with thanksgiving; make a joyful noise with songs of praise.

Sing to the Lord a new song. For God has done marvelous things.

Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all God's wondrous works.

Sing out in honor of God's name; make your praise to God glorious.

Sing aloud to God our strength.

O come, let us sing to the Lord!

Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation!

Sing and make melody in your heart to the Lord;
speak to one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs.

I will tell of your name. In the congregation, I will sing.

Let us worship God.

*HYMN 267

Come, Christians Join to Sing
Words by Christian Henry Bateman; Spanish folk melody;
Arranged by Benjamin Carr; Harmony by David Evans

Glory to God

**Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!**

**Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend;
his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!**

**Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!**



PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*seated, unison*)

Almighty God, the Psalms encourage us to sing to you; yet so many of them also show a heart out of tune: sighing, crying, and breaking with sorrow, yet still clinging to faith. So, too, are our hearts. In Jesus Christ, you have given us what we need most: his cross makes our forgiveness possible, and his Spirit tunes our hearts again to sing your praises. Humbly we beg your pardon for our sins. Eagerly we plead your help and declare our trust in your unfailing love. Amen.
(*silent confession*)

(adapted from *The Worship Sourcebook*, Second Edition)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel! **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

***RESPONSE 48**

Rain Down

Glory to God

Words and Music by Jaime Cortez; Arranged by John Carter

**Rain down; rain down; rain down your love on your people.
Rain down; rain down; rain down your love, God of life.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Kristi Button

ANTHEM

Symphony of Praise

Jeffrey Kerst, tenor

Words and Music by Jon Mohr and Randall Dennis

Isaac Thomas, piano

The composer and conductor of the universe steps before the orchestra of God. Creation lifts their finely crafted instruments as all in heaven wildly applaud. The seasons well-rehearsed begin with His downbeat, and on His cue the sun trumpets the dawn. The whirling winds swell in a mighty crescendo with each commanding sweep of His baton! The oceans pound the shore in march to His cadence, the galaxies all revolve in cosmic rhyme. The fall of raindrops all in wild syncopation as lightning strikes and thunder claps in time. The symphony of praise, conducted by the Ancient of Days, may each creation great or small, lift their voices one and all in the symphony of praise.

Heaven waits in hushed anticipation, the great I AM then turns to mortal man, a massive chorus robed in spotless garment, author of their song of praise to Him. The glories of God explode in full orchestration as all creation joins the thunderous refrain: "Worthy! Worthy! Worthy is the Lamb that was slain!"

The symphony of praise, glory to the Ancient of Days, may each creation great or small, lift their voices one and all in the symphony of praise. "Worthy! Worthy! Worthy is the Lamb that was slain!"

"Worthy! Worthy! Worthy is the Lamb!" The symphony of praise, glory to the Ancient of Days, may each creation great or small, lift their voices one and all in the symphony of praise.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jan Butin

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 150

¹Praise the Lord! Praise God in the sanctuary; praise God in the mighty firmament!

²Praise God for mighty deeds; praise God according to his surpassing greatness!

³Praise God with trumpet sound; praise God with lute and harp!

⁴Praise God with tambourine and dance; praise God with strings and pipe!

⁵Praise God with clanging cymbals; praise God with loud clashing cymbals!

⁶Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

SERMON

The Song of the Singer

Rev. Jan Butin

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Amanda McDonald

Leader: May our music express the worship God desires and deserves.
Congregation: **May we with one voice say, "We believe," as we sing to the glory of God.**
All: **Glory to God! May God's name be praised in our worship in this place.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Holy, Holy, Holy Isaac Thomas, piano
Music by John B. Dykes; Arranged by Bob Kauflin and Nathan P. DiGesare

*RESPONSE 611 (verses 1, 2)

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee Glory to God
Words by Henry van Dyke; Music by Ludwig van Beethoven

**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.**

**All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Amanda McDonald

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy.... Therefore, we praise you, singing,
(Hymn 2257-b) Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Sing the Faith
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!
Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

You are holy, O God of majesty.... Great is the mystery of faith.
(Hymn 2257-c) Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Sing the Faith
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit on us... Send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.
(Hymn 2257-d) Amen. Amen. Amen. Sing the Faith
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND SHARING OF THE CUP

(After you receive the communal elements, please use this time prayerfully and reflectively.)

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *(use hymnals or screens)*

Hymn 520	<i>Taste and See</i>	Glory to God
Hymn 525	<i>Let Us Break Bread Together</i>	Glory to God
Hymn 530	<i>One Bread, One Body</i>	Glory to God

PARTAKING OF THE COMMUNAL ELEMENTS

The gifts of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, in your grace. **You hear our prayer.**

Rev. Phil Butin

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Phil Butin

SENDING

***HYMN 641** (verses 1, 2, 3, 5)

When in Our Music God is Glorified

Words by Fred Pratt Green; Music by Charles V. Stanford

Arranged by Cathy Mogleburst; Organ arranged by David Mogleburst

Glory to God
Bells on the Hill
Xiao Yang, piano
Marshall Jones, organ

**When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!**

**How often, making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!**

**So has the church, in liturgy and song, in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
borne witness to the truth in every tongue: Alleluia!**

**Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!**

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Jan Butin

POSTLUDE

To God Be the Glory

Music by William H. Doane

Isaac Thomas, piano

*(Our worship continues through the Postlude.
If you need to leave, please do so quietly. Otherwise, please remain seated.)*

Participants

Revs. Phil and Jan Butin, Co-Pastors

Isaac Thomas, Minister of Music/Commissioned Ruling Elder

Xiao Yang, Choral Accompanist

Ceci Allen, Cole Jackson, Jeffrey Kerst, Abbey Pennick, Isabelle Pennick, Choral Interns

Christopher Verdery, Connor Button, and Drew Parker, Audio/Visual Team

Kristi Button, Director of Christian Education

Amanda McDonald, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Amy McCann, Membership Coordinator

Mindy Mock, Childcare Coordinator

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