

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.

*Gathering Music #408 "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place.

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come with your questions, come with your awe!

People: For the God who broods over the chaos meets us in this place.

Leader: Come with your energy, come with your weariness!

**People: For the God who breathes new life into the dust
meets us in this place.**

Leader: Come with your sadness, come with your joy!

**People: For the God who dared to become human
meets us in this place.**

*Hymn of Praise #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory" *Cwm Rhondda*

Call to Reconciliation

In becoming one of us, God became poor so we could receive the riches of mercy.

In coming to us, God took on our death, so we could be made alive together with Christ. Come, offer your confessions, knowing that by grace you have been saved.

Unison Prayer of Confession

The words we speak all too often do not show you in our lives, God of our pilgrimage. We spend so much time boasting to others, they imagine we have no need for you. We grumble impatiently when you don't respond immediately to our requests, but are slow to sing your praises. We mutter under our breath about the behavior of those around us, when we could be asking them if there is some way we could serve them.

It is on our journey to the cross and the tomb that you fill us with the riches of your mercy, Steadfast Love! You do so, not because of any thing we have done, but because of the compassion which flows from your heart wounded by our failings. As we open our lives to receive your forgiveness, may we turn to the Light which brings us life, following Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, every step of the way.

Silence is kept for private confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: How much does God love us? Enough to send the divine heart, hope, and spirit to us, not to condemn us, but to save us.

People: Not by our speaking or doing, but by God's good and precious grace are we saved. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Prayer Response #288 "Spirit of the Living God" *Living God*

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

The Word Spoken

In the beginning was the Word

And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Ephesians 2:1-10 **Pew Bible, NT, p. 192**

The Word and Wonder with All Ages *Rev. Karen Ware Jackson*

Anthem "Grace" by Laura Story

The Word Declared a personal testimony by Carl D'agostino

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response #435 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" *In Babilone*

Prayers of the People and 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.

Offertory "Wonderwall" by Noel Gallagher

*Doxology #605 "Praise to God the Father" *Da N'asa*

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son.

Praise to God the Spirit; praise to the Three-in-One.

Sing praise; sing praise to the Lord on High.

Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

*Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn #700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" *I'm Gonna Live

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

** Please rise in body or spirit*

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

May Elders of the Month: Graham Pope and Larry Jones

June Elders of the Month: Bob Waugh and Kelly Maher

Calendar for May 29 – June 5

Today:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service
Monday:	Memorial Day	Office is Closed
Wednesday:	6:30 P.M.	English Choir Practice
Thursday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Saturday:	10:00 A.M.	Swahili Choir Practice and Prayer
Sunday:	10:00 A.M.	Worship, Communion
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The **Office will be closed** Monday, May 30th in observation of Memorial Day.
- The **Mission Group** is scheduled to meet Wednesday, June 1st at 2 p.m.
- **Beginning in June, our worship service will be held at 10 a.m.** This will be our worship time for the months of June, July, and August. See you next week at 10 a.m.!
- Please join us at 3:00 p.m. each Sunday, for the **Swahili-English service** at Faith Presbyterian, led by Prince Mundeke Mushunju!

