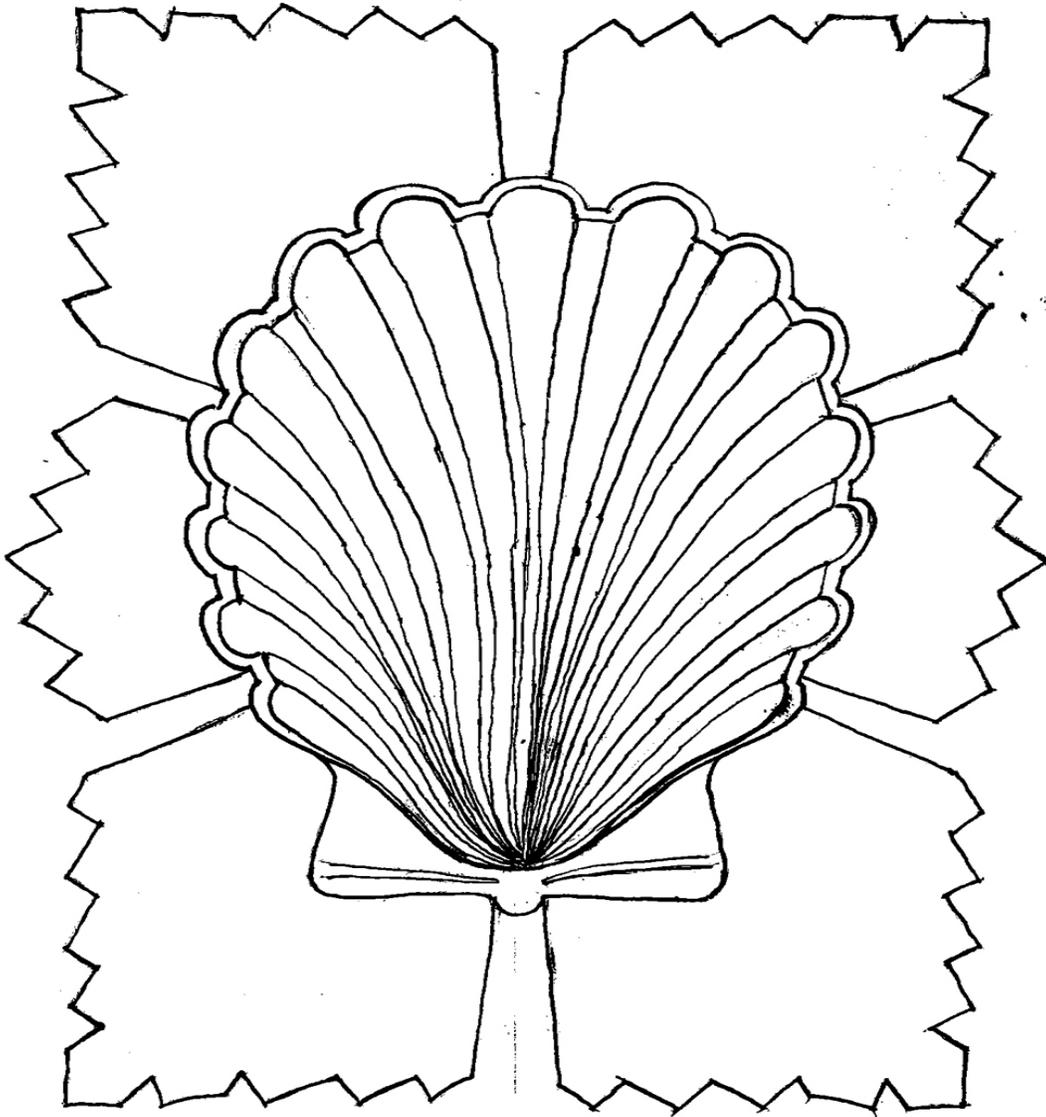


# First Presbyterian Church

June 27, 2021

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



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*Serving Christ from the heart of the city to the ends  
of the earth with love, faith and action.*

# We Gather in God's Presence

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*"Récit de Nazard"*

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

Call to Worship

**O Lord, our helper, You have turned our mourning into dancing and clothed us with joy.**

So let our soul praise the Lord and not be silent; let us give thanks to the Lord our God forever.

Hymn

["Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"](#)

No. 305

Prayer of Confession

**God who has the power to make all things new, we confess that our expectations of your power and presence are low. Our notions of what is proper hold us back from acting with bold compassion and our understanding of the best way forward is not always your way. Forgive us, Merciful God, and remind us again of your power to redeem, to make whole, to heal. Hear us now as we offer our silent prayers of confession.**

Kyrie | Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Pardon

Friends in Christ, in response to this gift of God's grace, how then shall we live?

**With gratitude, following after the Lord Jesus Christ, who calls us to love  
God with heart, soul, mind, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves.**

This is the way of Jesus, in whom we find life!

\*Gloria Patri | **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.**

## We Celebrate our Life Together

Joys and Concerns of the Church Family

Judy Pidcock

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession 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.**

Congregational Response to Prayer

**Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.**

## We Listen to God's Word

Moment for Children

Beth Thaxton

Children ages 4 - 5th grade can leave for a LEGO lesson for the remainder of the service.

Pick up in Memorial Hall.

Scripture Readings

Mark 5:21-34, Mark 5:35-43

Sermon

"Press On"

Laurie Taylor Weicher

## We Respond to God's Word

Hymn

["I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"](#)

No. 182

Affirmation of Faith | The Apostles' Creed | **I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, 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 sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

An Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

(8:30) *"It is Well with My Soul"*

arr. Craig Courtney

Andy Eaton, Baritone

(11:00) *"The Lord is My Shepherd"*

Howard Goodall

Chancel Choir

\*Doxology | **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God above; ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Prayer of Dedication

## We Bear God's Word into the World

Hymn

["There Is Now a New Creation"](#)

No. 774

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

**Go with us Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
that in Your Spirit, strong and true, our lives may be our gift to you.**

Postlude

"Improvisation on Darwall's 148th"

Joshua Sobel

Today's acolyte is Luke Poisson.

The Chancel flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and are given by  
Karen and Albin Johnson, in loving memory of Karen's cousin, Charles Ronald Bauer, M.D.