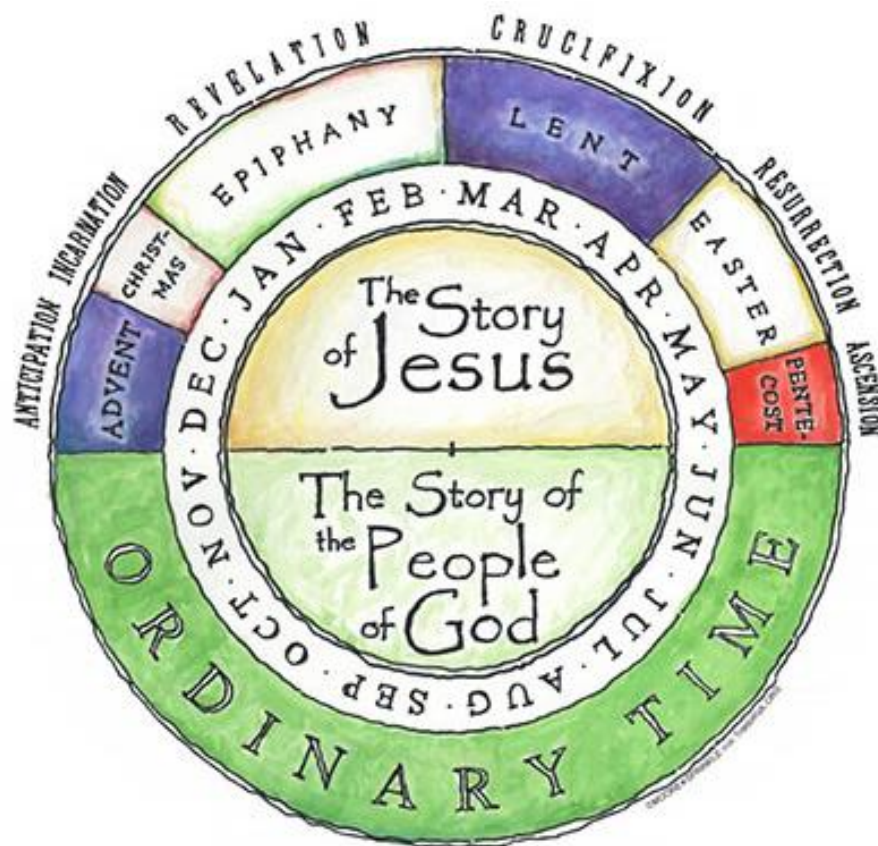

Gathering those who fear they are not enough,
so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.



We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE

Christ the King

Rosalie Bonighton (1946-2011)

RINGING OF THE BELL AND INTROIT

Joyfully Sing to God Forever

Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

Joyfully sing to God forever. Praise the Lord! Sing to God forever. Praise the Lord!

WELCOME

Cali Bronkema

* CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Give thanks, praise God's name, tell all that the Lord has done.

ALL: **Sing songs and tell the stories of the Lord's mighty wonders!**

ONE: Revel in God's holy name, delight in seeking the Lord. Look always for the presence and power of God!

ALL: **God remembers God's sacred word. God brings out the beloved with joy and so we sing our songs of joy!**

* GATHERING HYMN 88 (v. 1)

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

TEXT: Latin prose, pre-9th cent.; trans. composite
MUSIC: Plainsong; adapt. Thomas Helmore, 1852; arr. John Weaver, 1988
Music Arr. © 1990 John Weaver

VENI EMMANUEL
LM with refrain

Expecting the Gift – The Season of Advent

The liturgical year begins with the season of Advent. “Advent” means coming or arrival, and in this season we anticipate Jesus’ return. The season of Advent comprises the four Sundays preceding Christmas Day. Its color is purple or blue.

FIRST READING

Luke 1:26-38

Izzy Martin

** Please rise in body or spirit*

Receiving the Gift – The Season of Christmas

*The season of Christmas begins on Christmas Day, December 25, and lasts for twelve days.
Its colors are white and gold.*

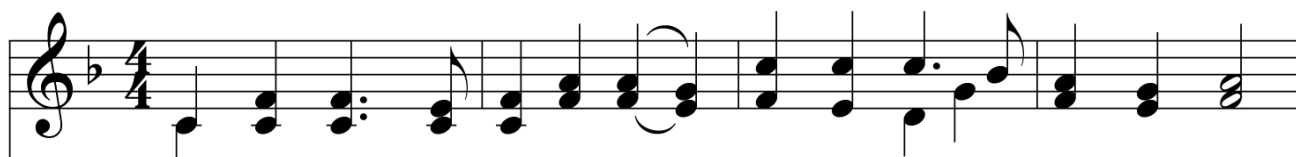
SECOND READING

Luke 2:1-14

Tom Koger

HYMN 119 (vv. 1 and 3)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



1 Hark! The her - ald an-gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king.
3 Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righ-teous-ness!



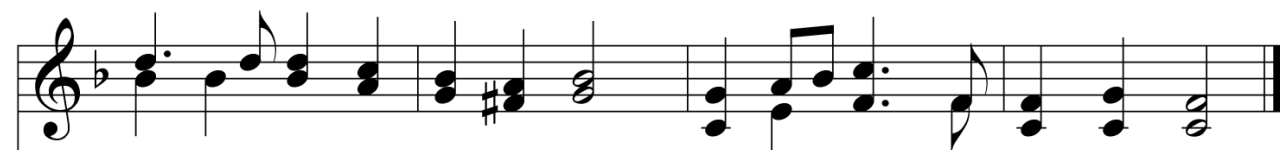
Peace on earth and mer-cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
Light and life to all he brings, risen with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise; join the tri-umph of the skies;
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



with the an-gel - ic host pro-claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king!"

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt.

MUSIC: Felix Mendelssohn, 1840; arr. William Hayman Cummings, 1855

MENDELSSOHN

7.7.7.7.D with refrain

We Listen for God's Word

Commissioning the Gift – Epiphany, Baptism of the Lord, and Transfiguration of the Lord

Epiphany is celebrated on January 6. We mark the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles by remembering the visitation of the magi. Its color is white.

THIRD READING

Matthew 2:1-12

Shelly Skomra

HYMN 151 (v. 1)

We Three Kings of Orient Are

1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far,
field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
O star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty bright,
west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

TEXT and MUSIC: John Henry Hopkins Jr., 1857, alt.

KINGS OF ORIENT
8.8.8.6 with refrain

Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the first Sunday after Epiphany. Its color is white.

FOURTH READING

Matthew 3:13-17

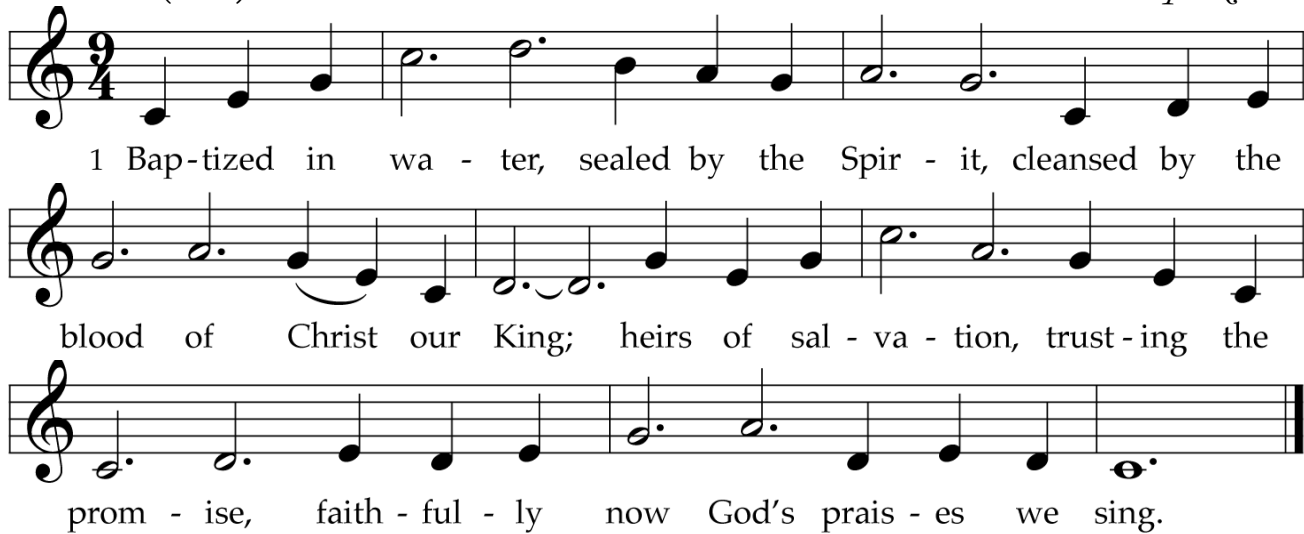
Cali Bronkema

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, no angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 482 (v. 1)

Baptized in Water



TEXT: Michael A. Seward, 1981
MUSIC: Gaelic melody; arr. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985
Text © 1982 The Jubilate Group (admin. Hope Publishing Company)
Music Arr. © 1987 Faith Alive Christian Resources

BUNESSAN
5.5.8.5.5.9

*Transfiguration of the Lord is celebrated the Sunday before Lent. We remember the disciples' witness of Jesus' transfiguration and the appearance of Elijah and Moses with him.
Its color is white.*

Children three years and older are invited to continue their worship at Godly Play in Room 204.

FIFTH READING

Matthew 17:1-8

Sue Armstrong

Meditating on the Gift – The Season of Lent

*The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. It is a time when we reflect on our mortality and our need for God's saving grace. Lent lasts for six and a half weeks before Easter.
Its color is purple.*

SIXTH READING

Luke 4:1-13

Tom Bruce

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Nancy Jones

ONE: Created in love, we fall short of who God hopes us to be. Confident of God's faithfulness, let us turn our hearts to our Creator and ask for help.

ALL: **Holy One, your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured. Teach us who bear his name to follow the example he gave us. May our faith, hope, and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to eternal life. We ask this through the power of the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Personal Prayer in Silence

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Megan Klose

ONE: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. Christ came not to condemn the world, but to save it. Through faith, by grace, we have eternal life, and life in abundance. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

ALL: Thanks be to God!

* SING GLORY TO GOD 581

Glory Be to the Father

The musical score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The text is: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men." The score ends with a double bar line.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the
Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -
gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text
MUSIC: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

PASSING THE PEACE

Megan Klose

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you all!

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Let us greet each other with a sign of Christ's peace.

Holy Week

Palm/Passion Sunday

Holy Week is the week leading up to Easter Sunday. It begins with Palm/Passion Sunday, when we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and his passion on the cross.

SEVENTH READING

Luke 19:28-38

Gail Ammons

HYMN 196 (v. 1)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem-er, King,
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring!
1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.

TEXT: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820; trans. John Mason Neale, 1851, alt.
MUSIC: Melchior Teschner, 1614; arr. William Henry Monk, 1861

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN
7.6.7.6.D

Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday is the Thursday of Holy Week. We remember Jesus the servant-leader washing the disciples' feet. We also remember Jesus' instituting the Lord's Supper as he ate with his friends before offering himself up for arrest and crucifixion.

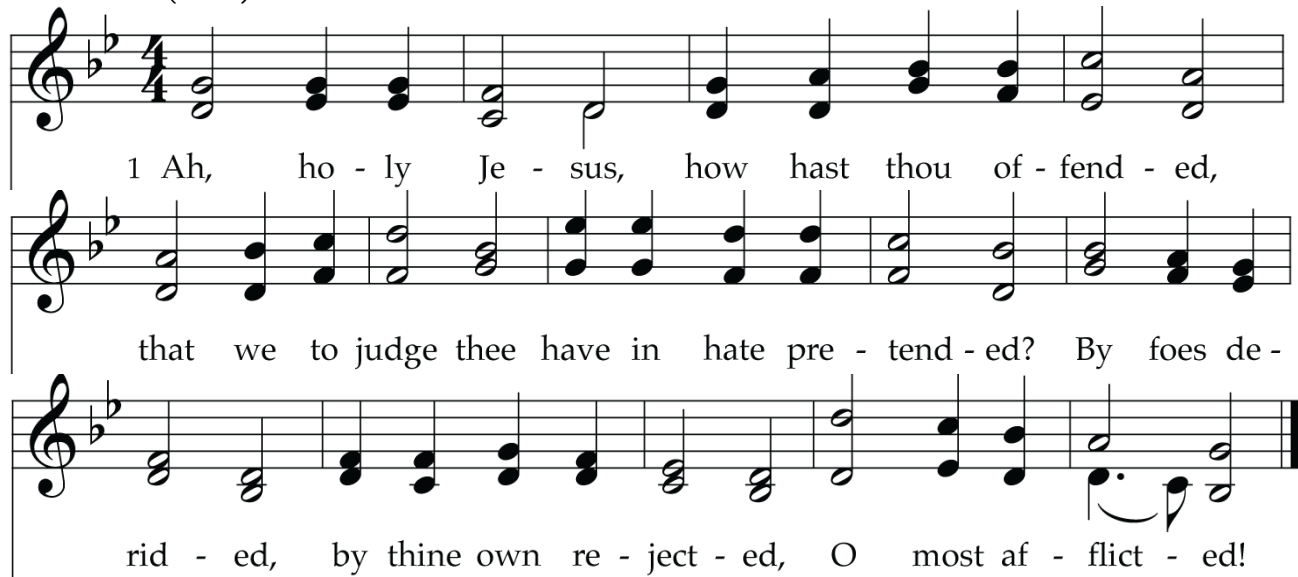
EIGHTH READING

John 13:2b-10b; Matthew 26:26-28

Megan Klose

HYMN 218 (v. 1)

Ah, Holy Jesus



1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
that we to judge thee have in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!

TEXT: Johann Heermann, 1630; trans. Robert Seymour Bridges, 1899, alt.
MUSIC: Johann Crüger, 1640

HERZLIEBSTER JESU
11.11.11.5

Good Friday

Good Friday is the Friday of Holy Week, when we remember Jesus' death on the cross. There is no liturgical color for Good Friday or Holy Saturday. The chancel is stripped bare.

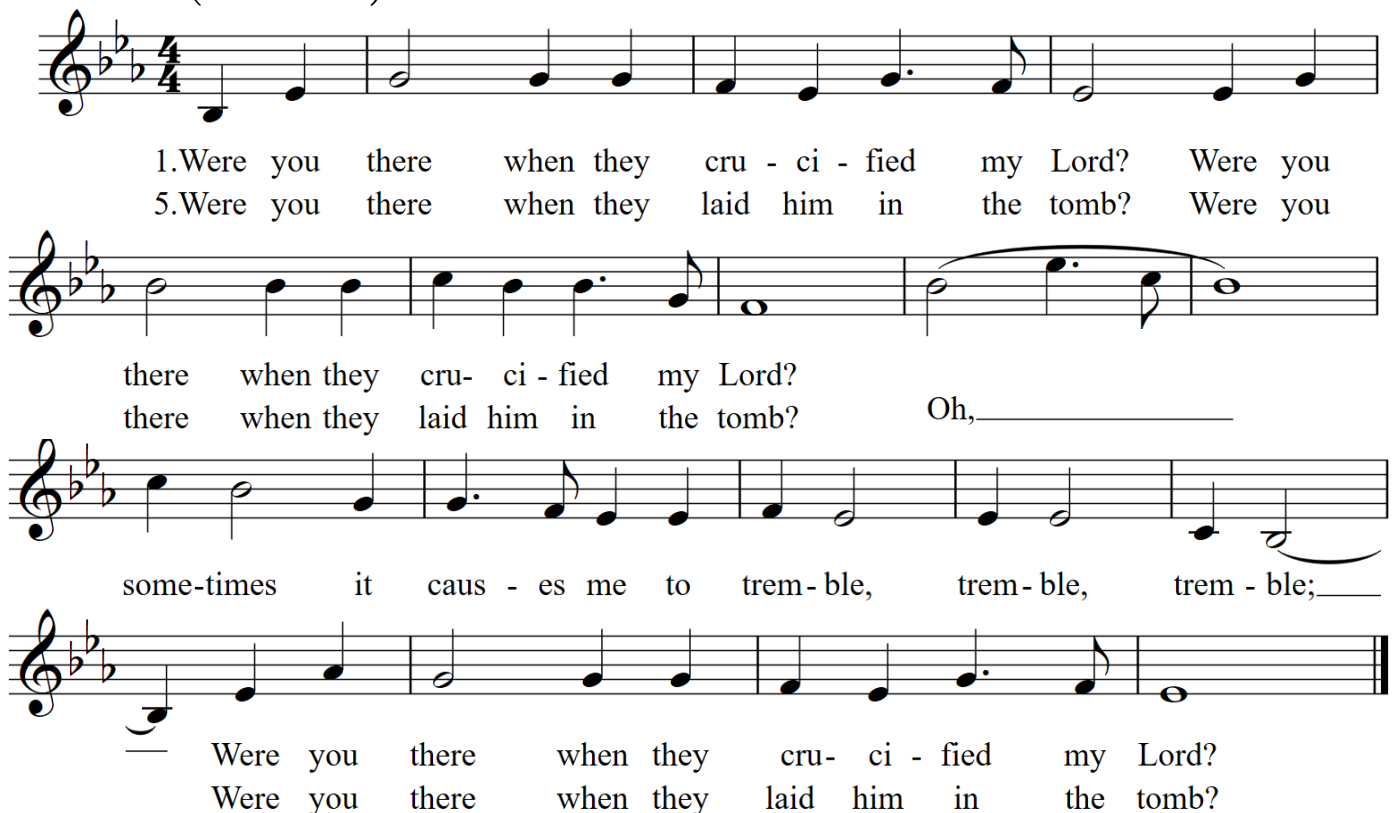
NINTH READING

Mark 15:25-39

Gordon Storr

HYMN 228 (vv. 1 & 5)

Were You There



1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
5. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you
there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh, _____
some-times it caus - es me to trem - ble, trem - ble, trem - ble; _____
Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

TEXT: African American spiritual
MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Melva Wilson Costen, 1987
Music Arr. © 1990 Melva Wilson Costen

WERE YOU THERE
Irregular

**Rejoicing with the Gift –
The Resurrection of Our Lord and Easter Season**

*Resurrection of the Lord/ Easter Day celebrates Jesus' rising from the dead.
The season of Easter lasts seven weeks. Its color is white.*

TENTH READING

Luke 24:1-9

Megan Klose

HYMN 232 (vv. 1-3)

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1. Je - sus Christ is ri - sen to - day,
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3. But the pains which he en - dured,
our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured,
who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Now a - bove the sky he's King,
suf - fer to re - deem our loss, Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save, Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels e - ver sing.

TEXT: Stanzas 1–3, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; stanza 4, Charles Wesley, 1740

Spanish trans. Juan Bautista Cabrera, alt.; Korean trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea

MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; adapt. from *The Compleat Psalmodist*, 1749

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EASTER HYMN

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We Respond to God's Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Nancy Jones

ONE: Lord in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder who is currently serving or has previously served on Session. Prayer requests can be sent to Pastors Yena and Megan at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org.

Please keep in your prayers:

Matile Hugo, mother of Mike Hugo, suffering from insomnia

Mark Seklecki, continued recovery following a recent hospitalization

Doug Ammons, undergoing chemotherapy

Jim Cardinal, father of Theresa Brown, with health issues

Ongoing prayer concerns:

FCPC members: Andrea Brown, Avery Burns, Winnie Harris-Zoellner, Ruth Mileham, Ken Waugh

Relatives and friends: Carolyn Armstrong, Scott Armstrong's mother; Vincent DiPerno, Paige Whitlock's nephew; Cynthia Hintze, Carol Kercheval's sister; Ansley McCraw, Shawn Sledge's niece

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.

Filled with the Gift –

Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, Ordinary Time

Pentecost marks the continuation of the Christian church begun in Jesus. We remember the Holy Spirit descending on the disciples' heads and equipping them to spread the good news of the gospel to the ends of the earth. The color of Pentecost is red.

ELEVENTH READING

Acts 2:1-4

Frank Burdette

Trinity Sunday is observed the Sunday after Pentecost. It focuses on the doctrine of the Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, three persons in one godhead. Its color is white.

TWELFTH READING

Romans 5:1-5

Frank Burdette

Ordinary Time is the time between Trinity Sunday and Christ the King/Reign of Christ, which marks the end of the liturgical year. It is called Ordinary Time because the weeks are counted with ordinal numbers following Pentecost. The color for Ordinary Time is green.

THIRTEENTH READING

Acts 2:43-47

Frank Burdette

OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

Megan Klose

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Please support the mission and ministry of the church with your financial contributions. Offerings can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church office, given online through our secure giving portal (fcpc.breezechms.com/give/online), texted to give at 7037751355, or scanned using the QR code.



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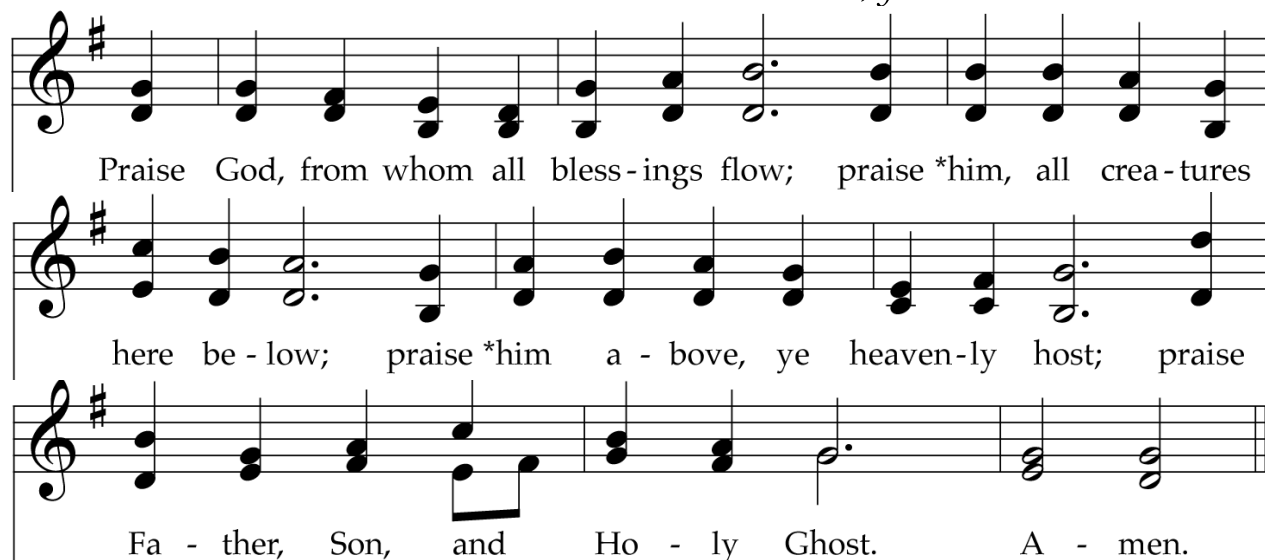
All Things Work Together for Good

John Carter (1929-1991)

All things work together for good to those who love the Lord. To those who are called according to God's purpose, all things work for good to those who love the Lord.

* DOXOLOGY 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise *him, all creatures
here be - low; praise *him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*Or "God"

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

OLD HUNDREDTH
LM

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Megan Klose

ALL: Accept these gifts, O God, as a token of our gratitude. By the power of the Holy Spirit use our offerings and our lives to spread your word of healing, love, and salvation to the ends of the earth. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

We Go into the World to Serve

Celebrating the Eternal Glory of God, the Three in One – Christ the King

Christ the King/ Reign of Christ Sunday marks the end of the liturgical year.

We give thanks and praise for the sovereignty of Christ, who is Lord of all creation.

We also look forward to his glorious return. The color for this day is white.

*** HYMN 1**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

TEXT: Reginald Heber, 1827, alt.;
Korean trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea; Spanish trans. Juan B. Cabrera
MUSIC: John Bacchus Dykes, 1861; desc. David McKinley Williams, 1948
Korean Trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea
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*** CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Megan Klose

* CHORAL BENEDICTION

We Have Heard Your Word

Ruth Elaine Schram (b. 1956)

We have heard Your Word, O Lord, and together sung Your praise.

Help us now, O Lord, to take what we've learned into the coming days.

POSTLUDE

Triumphal March

Antoine Louis Raffy (1868-1931)

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Supporting Us in Worship

Worship Leaders	Gail Ammons, Sue Armstrong, Tom Bruce, Frank Burdette Nancy Jones, Tom Koger, Izzy Martin, Shelly Skomra, Gordon Storr
Ushers	Shelly Skomra, Clay Warner
Audio/Video	Lexi Hess
Closing Sexton	Molly Good
Sanctuary Flowers	The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jaimie Colleen DeBose on her 50th birthday. Jaimie is deeply missed by her mom, Linda Lawrence.

A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. Please sign the red welcome pad which can be found at the end of the pew, then pass the pad along to your neighbor. There are nametag boards outside of the sanctuary side entrance. Please make a nametag and wear it as a sign of hospitality.

Large-print bulletins are available at the sanctuary entrances. Portable electronic hearing devices are available in the narthex.

A recording of today's service can be found at www.fallschurchpresby.org/sermon.

If you would like to learn more about our family of faith, talk to one of the pastors or email Pastor Yena (yhwang@fallschurchpresby.org) or Pastor Megan (mklose@fallschurchpresby.org). Please visit our website for more information.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. **The Kids' Corner** at the front right side of the Sanctuary is where children and their grownups can play, read, or color quietly while in worship. **Children up to age 4:** Child care is offered in Room 201 by paid nursery staff. **Children age 3 and up:** Godly Play is offered in Room 204 following the fourth scripture reading.

Fellowship Hour

Please join us in Fellowship Hall following worship to greet your neighbors and enjoy some light refreshments. Hosted by the Community Building Ministry Team.

Announcements

CAT Survey Closes TODAY, Nov. 16. If you haven't already, we encourage you to complete the Congregation Assessment Tool survey and shed light on your experiences at FCPC. Your response is VERY important to us! Questions? Please contact Carolyn Bruce (703-909-2005) or Katharine Stewart (703-864-3036).

Worship Through Service, Nov. 23. We'll meet at 10:00 a.m. for a brief worship service then continue our worship by doing service projects around the church.

NVFS Toy Drive. Mercy Ministry is seeking donations of new, unwrapped toys, games, puzzles, books, and gift cards for our 13th annual Northern Virginia Family Service Toy Drive. Donations can be left in the big, gift-wrapped box near the entrance to Fellowship Hall. Or you can purchase gifts through FCPC's NVFS Amazon Gift List. Toys will be shipped directly to NVFS headquarters in Falls Church. See the Friday egram for the Amazon link or pick up a printed list at the big toy donation box.

Generosity update. To date, we have received 70 pledges totaling \$637,528, just over 77% of our goal. Thank you! If you have not yet submitted your 2026 Estimate of Giving, please mail your card to the office or fill out the Estimate of Giving form on FCPC's website.

Youth Winter Retreat, Jan. 17-19, 2026. FCPC youth will connect with other Presbyterian youth through snow tubing, skiing/snowboarding, indoor water park fun, and small groups. Open to 6-12 grades. Contact Cali by Nov. 19 to sign up!

"Senses of Scriptures" coming to worship Nov. 30. We will be launching a short, hands-on pause in worship where children and adults explore a Bible story together through sight, sound, touch, taste, or scent. Come ready to wonder together!

Falls Church Homeless Shelter dinners. FCPC members provide a warm dinner for 14 shelter guests each Monday night during the hypothermia season, which runs November 15-March 30. See the Friday egram to learn more and to sign up.

Project 66/52. The congregation is reading the entire Bible in 2025. Week 46 reading plan:

Sun 11/16 Acts 19, 20, 21
Mon 11/17 Acts 22, 23, 24
Tue 11/18 Acts 25, 26
Wed 11/19 Acts 27, 28

Thu 11/20 Romans 1, 2, 3
Fri 11/21 Romans 4, 5, 6
Sat 11/22 Romans 7, 8

Church Calendar

Sunday, Nov. 16 – Reign of Heaven + Liturgical Year in Review

CAT Survey closes

Matthew 25 Group, 9:00 a.m., Room 303

Serendipity Class, 9:00 a.m., Conference Room

Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary, in person and online

Scout Troop 895 Holiday Fundraiser, 11:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Playground Playdate (grades 2 and younger), 11:30 a.m., Frady Park

Youth Dinner & Devos, 6:00 p.m., Broad St. Falls Church Chipotle

Monday, Nov. 17

Prayer & Pose Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall Loft

Finance Team Insurance Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Conference Room

Tuesday, Nov. 18

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group, 8:45 a.m., Zoom

Sarah Circle, 6:00 p.m., Parlor

Wednesday, Nov. 19

Third Wednesday Welcome Table, 11 a.m.-7:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall and Kitchen

Personnel Team, 7:00 p.m., Zoom

Wednesday Evening Project 66/52 Group, 7:00 p.m., Zoom

66/52 Bible Book Club, 8:00 p.m., Zoom

Thursday, Nov. 20

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m., Choir Room

Friday, Nov. 21

The Bridge (grades 3-6), 6:00 p.m., Stuft Residence

Saturday, Nov. 22

Bible Study & Fellowship Group, 8:00 a.m., Parlor

Sunday, Nov. 23 – Worship Through Service Sunday

Nourish Our Neighbors – Drop off food donations and toiletry items

Matthew 25 Group, 9:00 a.m., Room 303

Serendipity Class, 9:00 a.m., Conference Room

Worship Through Service, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary and around the church

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service, 5:00 p.m., The Falls Church Episcopal

Youthsgiving with family and friends, 6:00 p.m.

Falls Church Presbyterian belongs to the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, “working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church.”

Falls Church Presbyterian is also a Matthew 25 church seeking to build congregational vitality, dismantle structural racism, and eradicate systemic poverty.

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The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor
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