



Fourth Sunday of Eastertide
Mother's Day
May 11, 2025

Please fill out the Pew Attendance Pad and drop in the collection plate during the offering. Prayer Request Cards will be collected during the opening hymn.

Bold print is to be read by the congregation. The † indicates when worshippers are invited to stand if comfortable or find a posture that supports your singing/praying aloud.

Gathering Music *O, Lord Most Holy*
(Cesar Franck)
Sarah Hashimoto, violin, and Wendy Treacher, piano

Welcome *Unison*

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome in our church. We will strive to love you, as God does, just the way you are.

Caring for One-Another

Prelude *Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child*
(Spiritual)
Sarah Hashimoto, violin and Wendy Treacher, piano

Call To Worship **Adapted from Revelation 21:3-5**
One: And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
All: "See, the home of God is among mortals.
One: God will dwell with them;
All: they will be God's peoples,
One: and God Godself will be with them and be their God;
All: God will wipe every tear from their eyes.
One: Death will be no more;
All: mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

† **Hymn** #769 *For Everyone Born*, vs 1, 2,3 and 5

Call To Confession
One: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession
All: God who creates in beautiful diversity, we confess that we have put other people in boxes. We have learned one thing about them and decided we know everything important there is to know about them. Forgive us, gracious God, and awaken our curiosity, we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *adapted from Galatians 3:28*
One: For Jesus Christ is our peace; in his particular flesh, he has unified us in our diversity and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! We are reconciled to God, and we are reconciled to one another.
All: Alleluia! Amen.

† **Congregation Response**
#591 *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!* (Refrain only, 2 times)

† **Exchange of Peace**
(Insert) *This Little Light of Mine*
as Children come forward

Children's Message Doug Meyers

Sung Prayer of Illumination
#722 *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*, verse 1

Scripture Reading **Revelation 7:9-17**
Acts 9:36-43

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God

Homily **Tabitha or Dorcas?** **Rev. David Schell**

† **Hymn** #14 *For the Beauty of the Earth*, vs 1,2, 4 and 5

Offering
Offertory *Jesus Shall Reign*
(Joel Hatton)
Sarah Hashimoto, violin and Wendy Treacher, piano

† **Sung Prayer of Dedication**
#710 *We Lift Our Voices*

Prayers of the People
One: Lord, please listen to the prayers of your people...

One: Let us pray to the Lord.
All: Lord hear our prayers.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

† **Hymn** (Insert) *Thank You, God, for Parents*
(Tune of "Onward, Christian Soldiers")

† **Blessing & Benediction**

Postlude *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*
(Carl G. Glaser)
Sarah Hashimoto, violin, and Wendy Treacher, piano

Today's Worship Leadership
Worship Leader: Rev. David Schell
Lector: Carole Loll
Children's Message: Doug Meyers
Music Director: Wendy Treacher
Musicians: Sarah Hashimoto, violin
Hymn Leader: Jen Blackwell

Music Notes
Our closing hymn for today includes new words set to the tune of "Onward Christians Soldiers." The words are used with the permission of the author, Rev. Carolyn Winfrey Gillette. Carolyn has written new text for over 400 hymns and is a Presbyterian Minister. She and her husband are the pastors of First Presbyterian Church in Owego, New York.

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Sound Tech: Bill Loll
MediaShout: Randy Herrick
Stream Tech: Chad Melton
Prayer Recorder: Jean Herrick
Teller Team #1: Sue Wrzesinski, Margery Rule
Fellowship Host: Sue Condino for Betty's 100th birthday!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **CELEBRATE - Betty Morris' 100th birthday**

Betty's birthday is on May 13th and her daughter, Sue Condino is hosting coffee hour today to celebrate.

- **GRADUATION SUNDAY - LAST CALL-** please let the office know if you have anyone graduating from high school or college! Find the form attached to recent emails or contact the office to fill out a form, and invite your graduate to attend church to receive a gift in person, on...

June 8th ← Please note the date.

- **COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS** - there are scholarship forms available for college students. The Scholarship Application form is on the church website under "Ministries" and attached to recent emails. Or please contact the office or find a form on the office desk. Deadline is June 29.
- **CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS** - Do your kids or grandkids want to go to camp this summer? If they go to a Christian camp, there is financial assistance available. Forms are in the office.
- **COFFEE HOUR** -hosts are needed for May 25. Please call the **Office: 784-9175** or sign up on the Orange sheet in the Westminster (coffee hour) room.

Please email your father photos!



PARENTS' DAYS 2025

Send us photos of the people in your life you would like to celebrate for **Mother's Day and Father's Day!** They will be added to our announcement slideshow before worship!

Send photos to: media@jacksonfirstpres.org



Is someone graduating in your family? Let us know so we can celebrate them on **Graduation Sunday!**

June 8th

Send photos of your graduate to media@jacksonfirstpres.org



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Church Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 11

10am - Worship Service: Sanctuary
 11am - Fellowship Time: Fellowship Hall
 6:30 - 9:30pm - CSJ Mainstage: Fellowship Hall
 7:30pm - N.A. Meeting: Small Dining Room
 7:30pm - A.A. Meeting: Westminster Room

Monday, May 12

10am - 6:15pm - Red Cross Blood Drive: the Hive
 10:30am - 12:00pm - Al-Anon Meeting: Library
 3:30 - 5:30pm - Piano Rehearsal: Sanctuary
 6:30 - 9:30pm - CSJ Mainstage Rehearsal: Fellowship Hall
 7pm - Scout Troop 4312 Meeting: Activity Room
 7:30pm - N.A. Meeting: Small Dining Room
 7:30pm - A.A. Meeting: Westminster Room

Tuesday, May 13

3 - 5pm - Renew Cancer Support Group: Westminster Room
 6:30 - 9:30pm - CSJ Mainstage Rehearsal: Fellowship Hall
 7:30pm - A.A. Meeting: Westminster Room

Wednesday, May 14

10am - 12pm - CAA Playgroup: Preschool Room
 3:15 - 5:15pm - Piano Rehearsal: Sanctuary
 5:30 - 8:30pm - Better Birth Chest/Breastfeeding Class: Westminster Room
 6:30 - 9:30pm - CSJ Mainstage Rehearsal: Fellowship Hall
 7:30pm - A.A. Meeting: Westminster Room

Thursday, May 15

11am - 12:30pm - Piano Rehearsal: Sanctuary
 6:15 - 7:30pm - Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room
 7:35 - Presby Ringers Rehearsal: Bells Room
 6:30 - 9:30pm - CSJ Mainstage Rehearsal: Fellowship Hall

7pm - Nar-Anon Group: Library

7:30pm - A.A. Meeting: Westminster Room

Friday, May 16

10:30am - 12pm - Al-Anon Meeting: Library
 7:30pm - N.A. Meeting: Small Dining Room
 7:30pm - A.A. Meeting: Westminster Room

Saturday, May 17

9am - 4pm - Karen's Quilt Group: Westminster Room
 7:30pm - A.A. Meeting: Westminster Room