



# First Presbyterian Church

## Sunday, June 9, 2024



*Seeking the Faith – Sharing the Spirit – Serving God's People*

You are invited to join us on our journey of faith! We seek to serve God, to minister to our community, and to love one another. Help us in our quest to become an ever more inclusive church that welcomes all people from all backgrounds, abilities, and identities. Come and experience the love of God, the grace of Christ, and the communion of the Holy Spirit.



### Order of Worship

#### Prayer in Preparation

God of our days, we praise your name, for your grace sustains us. Grant us the eyes to see what cannot be seen and to gaze on what is eternal. May we revel in your work and be a visible witness of your invisible kingdom. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

#### Prelude

*Be Thou My Vision*

arr. Melody Bober

#### Gathering for Worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord with your whole heart. God's steadfast love endures forever.

**All: The Lord's name be praised! Let us worship God.**

#### \*Hymn #385

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

#### \*Call to Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins, for God has already forgiven us and is calling us to return to the Lord.

#### \*Prayer of Confession

Leader: Let us pray...

**All: Gracious God, have mercy on us, for we have failed to be faithful to you.**

**In your mercy, reconcile us to you and to one another**

**for the work of justice, peace, and love.**

**you know our hearts. Forgive us. Amen.**

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: When we call, God hears us; when we confess, God forgives us. We believe and so we proclaim: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*\*Please stand as you are able*

## \*Giving of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all!

**All: And also with you!**



\*Response #582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

## Children's Sermon

When the Storm Starts Stopping...

## Prayer for Illumination

Reader: Holy God, let your Spirit now move in us, to turn us away from the temporary and move us to your eternal love made visible in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

## Old Testament Lesson

I Samuel 8:4-11 (OT p. 251)

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.' But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to govern us.' Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, 'Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.'

So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots...

\*Hymn: #697

*Take My Life and Let it Be*

v. 1-3

## New Testament Lesson

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On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Proclamation of the Word

...The Drops Stop Dropping

## \*Affirmation of Faith:

Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.**

\*Hymn #697

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v. 4-6

## Splash of Green

Ann Warner

## Invitation to the Offering

Leader: Let us continue to worship the Lord through gifts of talents, tithes, and ourselves.

## Offertory

*Softly and Tenderly*

arr. Jay Rouse

## \*#606 Doxology

## \*Prayer of Dedication

Leader: Eternal God, we offer ourselves and our gifts, that they may be used to extend your grace to others for your glory, through Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## Pastoral Prayer and Congregational Prayer

### Joys and Concerns *(In the bulletin, on cards, or via Zoom Chat)*

Minister: We give thanks to God for these blessings.

### **All: Thanks be to God!**

Minister: For all these people and all who are in need

### **All: Please hold your people near, O God!**

Minister: God inspires us to pray, hears our prayers, and answers our prayers.

### **All: Alleluia! Amen!**

Minister: Let us pray...

### *Silent Prayer*

Minister: Let us pray together...

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## \*Hymn #450

*Be Thou My Vision*

## Announcements

### Blessing

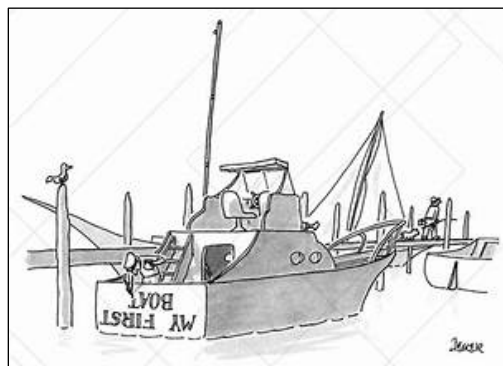
Minister: May the steadfast love of God give you hope. May the redeeming power of Christ give you courage. May the abiding presence of the Spirit give you strength. Go and serve the Lord this and every day.

## Postlude

*Give Thanks*

arr. Fred Bock

## Moment for Reflection:



## **Worship Assistants**

Harry and Marta Davis- Greeters  
Beth Malmquist- Worship Assistant  
Jiyeon Lee- Accompanist  
Elwood Prest- AV Tech

Pam Holt- Head Usher  
Elizabeth Hamilton- Scripture Reader  
Kathy Manfredi- Zoom Greeter

### **JUNE 9, 2024**

10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary and via Zoom.  
Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall (Hosts: Rick and Dori Jefferson)  
1:00 pm Interfaith Choir rehearsal at Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship

### **JUNE 10, 2024**

7:00 pm Session

### **JUNE 12, 2024**

10:00 am Bible Study with Bill and J. P. (*Not meeting May 29 through June 12*)  
3:30 pm Bible Study with Pastor Kerry via Zoom

### **JUNE 15, 2024**

10:00 am Interfaith Choir rehearsal at Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship  
11:00 am Pride Promenade

### **JUNE 16, 2024**

No Worship Service at First Presbyterian Church  
9:30 am Interfaith Choir rehearsal at Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship  
10:30 am Interfaith Pride Service  
Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship and via Zoom (Meeting ID 85091012889)

#### **Pastor Kerry's Office Hours:**

Monday - Tuesday: 10:00 am-1:30 pm

Wednesday: 10:00 am -11:30 am

If you would like a visit—or if you know someone who needs a visit—  
please let Pastor Kerry or one of the Deacons know.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out **Joys and Concerns** cards at the back of the sanctuary prior to the beginning of worship. The cards are on the table as you enter, and there is a basket to put the completed cards in. If you are participating via Zoom, use the Chat feature to let the Zoom Greeter know what your Joys and Concerns are (please complete asap during the service.)

Please join us at Fellowship Time to say a fond farewell to John and Dorothy Baker. They will be greatly missed!

Join the Interfaith Choir singing "True Colors" at the Interfaith Pride Sunday Service next weekend at CUF; **the first choir rehearsal is today at 1:00 pm** (full schedule in bulletin calendar).

The Southern IL Pride March has been rebranded the **Pride Promenade**. Gather **Saturday, June 15 after 11:00 a.m.** on the front (South University) lawn to cheer and show support.

**Dinner group** will meet June 20, at 5:30 at The Turn Restaurant (1527 Champions Dr. -- Kokopelli Golf Course) in Marion. If you plan to attend or need directions, contact [jillhertzing@aol.com](mailto:jillhertzing@aol.com).

**From Green Guardians:** Remember to pick up a bag to collect flexible plastics, which will eventually be made into decking material and outdoor benches and furniture. See the newsletter article and check for more information on the bag and at the Green Guardians display in the Fellowship Hall.

Tru-Earth laundry sheets (\$15/package) are available at the Fair-Trade kiosk. These sales support the **Laundry Project**.

**Fellowship Hosts** – we appreciate you! If you haven't already done so, please sign up.

*Please, as you are able, continue to contribute financially to the life and ministry of the church through Sunday offerings, direct deposit, by sending checks in the mail, online at <http://www.firstprescdale.org> or by scanning this QR code with your smartphone camera.*



## Joys and Concerns

### Remember to Pray for:

- Our National, State, Regional, and Community Leaders
- Areas of the world at war, peace in the Middle East
- Our Democracy in the face of social unrest and political polarization
- Transgender community and others under attack legislatively
- Those affected by natural disasters, threats of terrorism, mass shootings, and hate crimes
- Those who are homeless, hungry, marginalized, underrepresented and in harm's way
- Military Service Members

Each week we pray for one of the Carbondale Interfaith Council faith communities.

This week, please pray for: **Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship**

The Mission/Ministry we are praying for this month: **Personnel**

### ***Household Prayer: Morning***

God of the morning, awaken us to know that to be resurrected with Jesus means to die with Christ first. May we recognize you in every moment so that whatever we do, we do for your glory, through Jesus Christ, our way, truth, and life. Amen.

### ***Household Prayer: Evening***

God, your faithfulness does not sleep nor slumber, but continues even when the sun goes down. What a blessing to dwell in your presence! In your presence, I lay down today's burden and take rest. In your presence, may I rise to hear your voice. Amen.

#385

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

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1 All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell. Come ye before him and rejoice.

2 Know that the Lord is God; indeed, without our aid he did us make;  
we are his folk; he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.

3 O enter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

4 For why? The Lord our God is good; his mercy is forever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

#582

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* (sing twice)

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Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

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#697 (v. 1-3)

*Take My Life*

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1 Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

3 Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King;  
take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee,  
filled with messages from thee.

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#697 (v. 4-6)

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4 Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose,  
every power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;

take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

#606

*Praise God from Who All Blessings Flow* (Doxology)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#450

*Be Thou My Vision*

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1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward,  
O Power of my power.

3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; thou, mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

4 High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys,  
O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.