***THE BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION** Take My Life and Let It Be

POSTLUDE

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First Presbyterian Church of Leesburg

Sunday, April 30, 2023 10:00 a.m.

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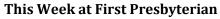
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THE LITURGY FOR GATHERING		ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive) This day have confidence and that our sins have been forgive	Ernie Halley, Lay Leader en
WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY	Rev. RJ Leek	in Jesus Christ! Thanks be to God!	
PRELUDE	Carole Makus	PASSING OF THE PEACE	Becca Redding
CALL TO WORSHIP		ADVENTURE TIME	Dick Krase
*To God Be The Glory	Sufficient Grace & Congregation		
*Come People of the Risen King	Sufficient Grace & Congregation	ANTHEM	Marie Davids, Soloist
Be Thou My Vision	Sufficient Grace & Congregation	The Gift of Love & Chancel Choir THE LITURGY OF THE WORD	
PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Responsive)	Ernie Halley, Lay Leader	WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING	
God, all-loving and all-caring,		Offering	
we come before You with hesitant steps and uncerta	in motives:	Fairest Lord Jesus Cathy	y Bullock & Carol Makus, Piano Duet
our hearts are parched from wandering in a desert of sin.		*Doxology	
We want to sweep out the corners where sin has accumulated		Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;	
and uncover the places where we have strayed from Your truth;		Praise Him, all creatures here below;	
our hearts are parched from wandering in a desert of sin.		Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host;	
We ask for courage to open our eyes and unstop our ears		Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.	
that we may be aware of all that distracts us		Prayer of Dedication	Ernie Halley, Lay Leader
from a whole-hearted commitment to Christ;		PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE	Rev. Leek
our hearts are parched from wandering in a desert of sin.		Our 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	
We want to see ourselves as You do and live our lives as You intended			
expose in us the empty and barren places			
where we have not allowed You to enter;			
our hearts are parched from wandering in a desert of sin.			
Reveal to us our half-hearted struggles,		and the glory forever. Amen.	
where we have been indifferent to the pain and suffe	ering of others;		
our hearts are parched from wandering in a desert of sin.		THE SCRIPTURES	Ernie Halley, Lay Leader
Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a right	Spirit within us	Ephesians 4: 11-13	
nurture the faint stirrings of new life			
where Your spirit has taken root and begun to grow;		THE WORD PROCLAIMED	Rev. RJ Leek
our hearts are parched from wandering in a desert of sin.		"Loving One Another"	
We long for Your healing light to transform us into the image of Your Son,		*IIVMN OF DECRONCE Homes #147	Sufficient Creas & Congregation
for You alone can bring new life and make us whole		*HYMN OF RESPONSE - Hymn #147 Freely, Freely (all verses)	Sufficient Grace & Congregation
in Your mercy, shine upon us, O God, and make	our path clear before us.	freely, freely (all verses)	
*As marked, please stand where able.		(Continued worship order is on the back of the bulletin.)	

HAPPENINGS AT FIRST PRES

May 2023 Worship Theme <u>To Love as Jesus Loved</u>

May 7, 2023 – What is Love? – 1 Corinthians 13: 4-7 May 14, 2023 – Love as Jesus Loved – John 14: 15-21 May 21, 2023 – Do This, Don't Do That – Luke 6: 26-36 May 28, 2023 – Recognizing Your Worth – Genesis 39: 1-23



Monday, May 1, 2023, Men's Breakfast, Perkins Restaurant, South Hwy. 441 (near SR 48), Leesburg, 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 3, 2023, TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Group, Fellowship Hall, 9 a.m. Wednesday, May 3, 2023, Sufficient Grace Practice, Sanctuary, 9:45 a.m. Sunday, May 7, 2023, Parents (of church youth) Meeting, Fellowship Hall, 11 a.m.

Musical Opportunities

Chancel Choir Practice, <u>Every Wednesday @ 3:45 p.m. & every Sunday @ 8:45 a.m.</u> in the Choir Room.

Joyful Ringers Practice, Every Wednesday @ 5 p.m. in the Choir Room.

Coming Soon

<u>Tuesday, May 9, 2023</u>, 2ndTuesday@First Fellowship Dinner, Fellowship Hall, 6 p.m. dinner, 6:30 p.m. A Tribute to Sammy Davis, Jr. & Frank Sinatra by Entertainer, Steve Roman. \$10 per person. Sign up in the church lobby.

<u>Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 23, 2023</u> – THIS YEAR, as a new outreach, FPCL is hosting a thanksgiving dinner for our neighborhood, family, friends and congregation. Would you like to be on the team that plans that event? If so, contact the office at 352 638 4849 or email fpcl@comcast.net</u>

Other

- 1. An <u>updated current church directory</u> is available in the church lobby. See the ushers.
- 2. Church office is closed <u>Wednesday, May 3 through Friday, May 5</u>. Susan is taking vacation time.
- 3. Gift bags are available in the church lobby for guests.
- 4. Food donations to Salvation Army and Joining Hands In Food Ministry can be placed on the rolling cart in the church lobby. Staff will deliver the canned goods accordingly.



