

**HYMN OF RESPONSE**

\*Prayer of St. Francis

**\*BENEDICTION**

**RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION**

\*The Longer I Serve Him

**POSTLUDE**

To Do the Work of God

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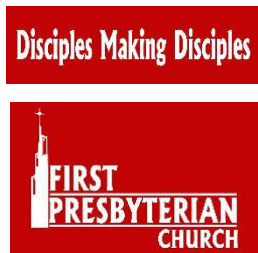
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# First Presbyterian Church of Leesburg

Sunday, May 21, 2023  
10:00 a.m.



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# ***THE LITURGY FOR GATHERING***

## **WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY**

Rev. RJ Leek

## **PRELUDE**

Call to Worship

Chancel Choir

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

\*My Life is in You

\*Great is Thy Faithfulness

Speak, O Lord

Sufficient Grace & Congregation

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## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Marie Davids, Lay Leader

**Oh God, our source and judge and Destiny.**

**Today we will not hide our wrong doings from You,**

**we confess that we have left vows unfinished,**

**good purposes forgotten,**

**opportunities left unfulfilled,**

**and duties unmet.**

**We have spoken impatiently or unkindly,**

**and done ungenerous things,**

**we have desired what we should not,**

**and lived for things that will die,**

**we have ignored You, who are our life and peace.**

**In Your mercy forgive us, show us compassion and heal us.**

**Set us anew on Your path and help us to hear Your voice.**

**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive)**

Marie Davids, Lay Leader

Who is in a position to condemn, to blame? Only Christ,

and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,

Christ advocates for us, and Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life is gone, a new life has begun, here and now,

Know that you are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Becca Redding

\*As marked, please stand where able.

## **WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS**

Rev. Leek

Amanda Burrows – transfer from Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, Beverly Hills, CA

Kathy Wingate – transfer from First Presbyterian Church, Clayton, NJ

**\*HYMN #286** - Blest Be the Tie That Binds (verse 1)

Congregation

## **ADVENTURE TIME**

Dick Kruse

# ***THE LITURGY OF THE WORD***

## **ANTHEM**

Send the Light

Chancel Choir

## **WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING**

**Offering**

Wait & See

Jim Gordon, Solo

**\*Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Marie Davids, Lay Leader

## **PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE**

Rev. Leek

**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

and the glory forever. Amen.

## **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

Rev. Leek

Chloe Leek, Leesburg High School 2023 Graduate

## **THE SCRIPTURE**

Luke 6: 26-36

Marie Davids, Lay Leader

## **THE WORD PROCLAIMED**

“Do This, Don't Do That”

Rev. RJ Leek

(Remainder of worship service is listed on the back of the bulletin.)

## HAPPENINGS AT FIRST PRES

**Christian, what do you believe?** 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 on 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.

### **This Week at First Presbyterian**

Today, after Worship Service, 11 a.m. will be a high school **graduation reception** for Chloe Leek, Rev. & Trisha Leek's youngest daughter, in the Fellowship Hall. All welcome.

This afternoon, Sunday, May 21, 2023, Ring in Spring Handbell Concert, Sanctuary, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023, TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Group, Fellowship Hall, 9 a.m.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023, Sufficient Grace Practice, Sanctuary, 9:45 a.m.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023, Staff Meeting, Church Office, 11 a.m.

### **Musical Opportunities**

Chancel Choir Practice, Every Wednesday @ 3:45 p.m. & every Sunday @ 8:45 a.m., Choir Room.

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

### **Other**

PW Rebekah Circle will continue to meet through the summer. PW will show the movie Luther, on the life of Martin Luther, in episodes each 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of June, July & August at 9:30 a.m., beginning June 8 in the church parlor. All women (and popcorn) welcome.

2ndTuesday@First fellowship dinners and PW Ruth Circle will take a hiatus for the summer months.

If you would like to join the church or wish to be baptized, let Rev. RJ know. A new member registration form is in the church lobby. Email addresses are on the back of the bulletin.

The church has an opening for a part-time Media Specialist for 10-15 hours per week. Contact church office for more information at 352-787-5687.

The church office will be closed Monday, May 29, 2023, in recognition of Memorial Day.



**“RING IN SPRING”  
JOYFUL RINGERS  
HANDBELL CONCERT**

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• **SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023** •

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• **4 PM** •

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