

GILBERT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Glorify God
Plant seeds of Faith
Cultivate Disciples

ALL ARE
WELCOME!



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MAY 5, 2024
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOMING VISITORS AND
LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRELUDE *When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder* Black/Drennan
Susan Martinez

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 98)

Liturgist – Pam Russell

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song.

All: **For God has done marvelous things.**

Leader: God is steadfast in love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All: **All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

Leader: God will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

*THE MORNING PRAYER

Liturgist – Pam Russell

O God,

you have prepared for those who love you
joys beyond understanding.

Pour into our hearts such love for you,
that, loving you above all else,
we may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Hymn 385

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: God calls the church to follow God's lead, standing by those who suffer and are in need, so that justice may roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Let us confess the ways in which we do not follow God's call.

People: **O Holy One, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times when we fail to recognize you in the dailyness of our lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts,**

and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we degrade our own wisdom. Holy God, in the daily round from sunrise to sunset, remind us again of your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to see you in the moment-by-moment possibilities to live honestly, to act courageously, and to speak from our wisdom.

Leader: Now in silence, let us continue our confession (Time of silent prayer) Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

***RESPONSE** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Hymn 582

***SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

GOD'S WORD FOR OUR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor George Prohaska

All children are welcome in the front *Parents - livestream in progress (kids in front will be viewed online)*

MINUTE FOR MISSION **Monture Traveling Day Camp**

Kellie von Borstel

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND SCRIPTURE

Liturgist – Pam Russell

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.

Lesson from Acts: 10:44-48

Gospel Lesson: John 15:9-17

SERMON

Abide in Love

Pastor George Prohaska

COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 516

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Prayer continues, concluding with the Lord’s Prayer)

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

OFFERTORY

The Potter’s Hand

Zschech/Beany

***DOXOLOGY**

Hymn 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

HYMN

For the Healing of the Nations

Hymn 346

***BENEDICTION**

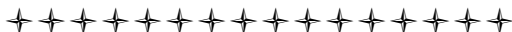
Pastor George Prohaska

POSTLUDE

And Can It Be

Campbell/Page
Susan Martinez

***If you are able, please stand.**



Thank you to our Worship and Tech Teams, Susan Martinez, Amy Johnston, Gaill Blackburn, David & Jennie Burel, Roy & Alex Martin.

Thank you to those Serving today:

Liturgist: Pam Russell

Hymn Leader/Choir Director: Amy Johnston

Ushers: Diane Howard, Marla Jackson, Mary Sumner

Communion Ushers: Bret Blackburn, Bruce Jackson,
Thomas Lemme, Dave Peterson

Happy May Birthday to:

May 6: Susan Deleso

May 9: Ken Hassen



Announcements

FOOD COLLECTION TODAY!

We'll be collecting food for United Food Bank today. You may place your donations in boxes in the Narthex.

MONTLURE TRAVELING DAY CAMP – REGISTRATION OPEN

Montlure Traveling Day Camp 2024!!! June 10-14, 2024

Mission del Sol Presbyterian Church – Tempe.

Traveling Day Camp is a weeklong unique blend of outdoor ministries and congregational ministry and is open to campers

who have completed grades K-5. Camp is 9am-3pm, with extended care offered through 5pm. Registration is now open at

<https://www.montlure.org/traveling-day-camp>

GPC General Information

FIRST TIME GUESTS - Welcome to our first-time visitors. A packet of information about our church is available in the entryway or from an usher. We're glad you're here!

OFFERINGS/DONATIONS – You may donate to Gilbert Presbyterian by going to <https://www.azgpc.org/giving-options.html>. Thank you for your support.

REMINDER – Please silence all phones/electronic devices. Thank you.

PRAYER REQUESTS – If you have a prayer request AFTER 12:00PM ON FRIDAY that you would like to be included in our Sunday prayers, we ask that you send your prayer request to Pastor George directly at: [**azgpcpastor@gmail.com**](mailto:azgpcpastor@gmail.com).

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

Join us each Thursday at 4:00pm in Room 8 of the Palmer Center. We will be studying the book, ***Revelation*** by NT Wright. This book can be purchased on Amazon. All are welcome

ADULT BIBLE STUDY – We meet in Room 7 at 11:00 am each Sunday. All are welcome!

VIDEO SUNDAY SCHOOL- The Video Sunday School Class meets in the Chapel in the Palmer Center at 11:00 am each Sunday. Join us for great discussions and fellowship following a video lesson.

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? - If you're thinking about joining Gilbert Presbyterian Church, PC(USA), or would like a refresher course on what being a Presbyterian Christian means, please call the church office at 480-892-6753 to let us know of your interest.

NURSERY CARE - Nursery care is available in the Palmer Center for Nursery/Toddler care thru 5 years old with our Nursery Attendant Britney Blackburn.

FELLOWSHIP TIME - We invite everyone to join us following our worship service this morning for a time of refreshments and fellowship in the Palmer Center.

THIS WEEK AT GPC

Sunday, May 5, 2024

FOOD COLLECTION SUNDAY!

COMMUNION SUNDAY

9:30 am – Online & In Person Worship Service

10:30 am – Coffee Time in the Palmer Center

11:00 am – Video Sunday School

**11:00 am - Adult Sunday School meets in person
and via Zoom: [https://zoom.us/j/4808926753?pwd=K3J3bk9CND
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11:00 am – Revival Presbyterian Church Bible Study

1:00 pm – Revival Presbyterian Church Service

Monday, May 6

7:00 pm – Christian Ed. Meeting

Tuesday, May 7

8:00 am – Men's Breakfast

Wednesday, May 8

7:00 pm – Finance Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 9

4:00 pm – Mid Week Bible Study

7:30 pm – Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 12

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

9:30 am – Online & In Person Worship Service

10:30 am – Coffee Time in the Palmer Center

11:00 am – Video Sunday School

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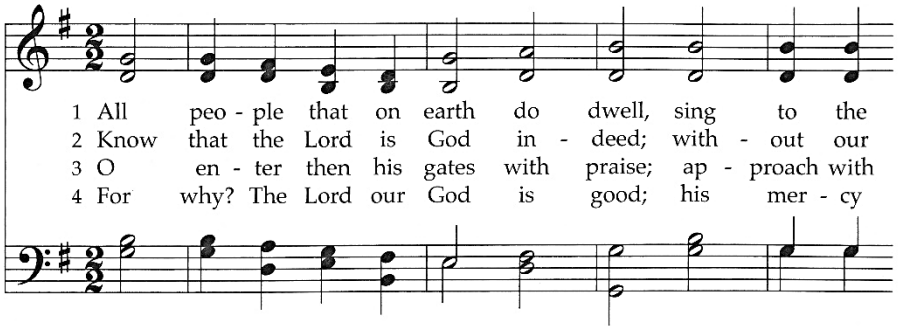
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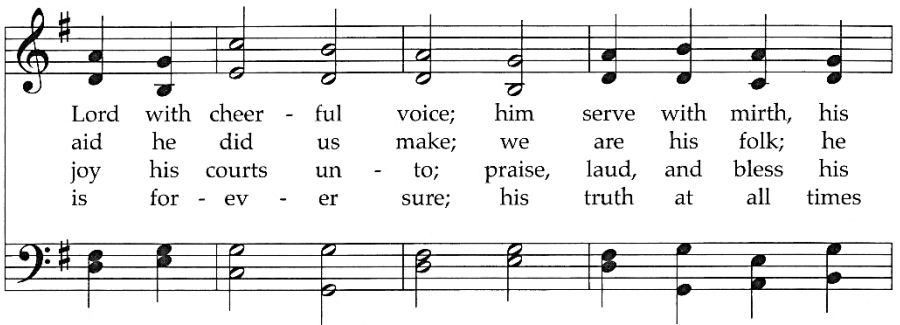
HYMN INSERTS

All People That on Earth Do Dwell 385

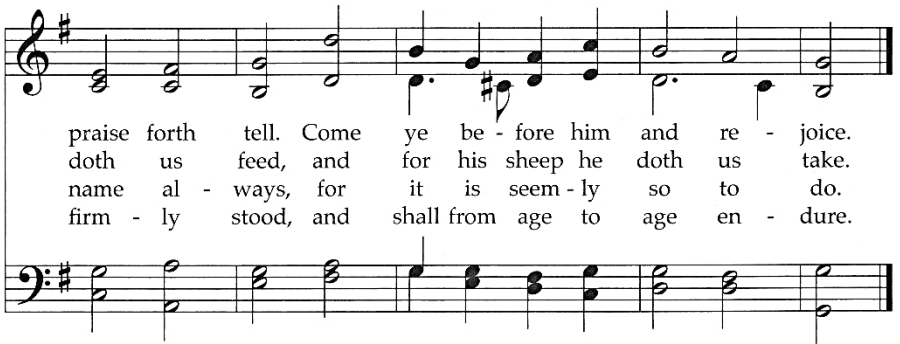
(Psalm 100)



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the
2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our
3 O en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with
4 For why? The Lord our God is good; his mer - cy



Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his
aid he did us make; we are his folk; he
joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his
is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times



praise forth tell. Come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

In a pairing that began in 1561, this paraphrase of Psalm 100 by a Scot is set to a tune that a French composer originally created for Psalm 134 in the Genevan Psalter of 1551. They have appeared together in nearly every comprehensive English-language hymnal since then.

582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F



1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm



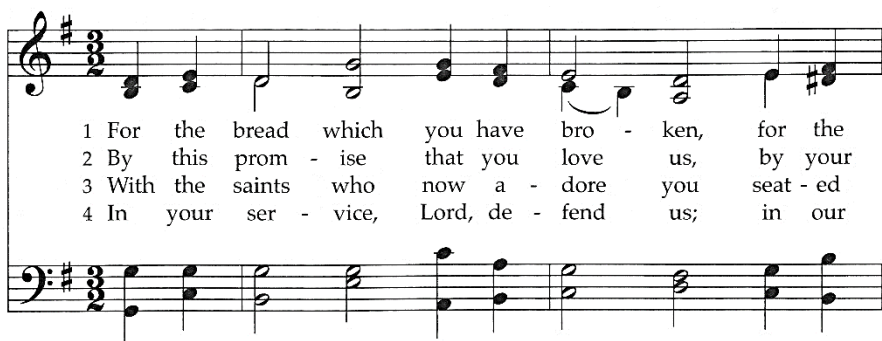
and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

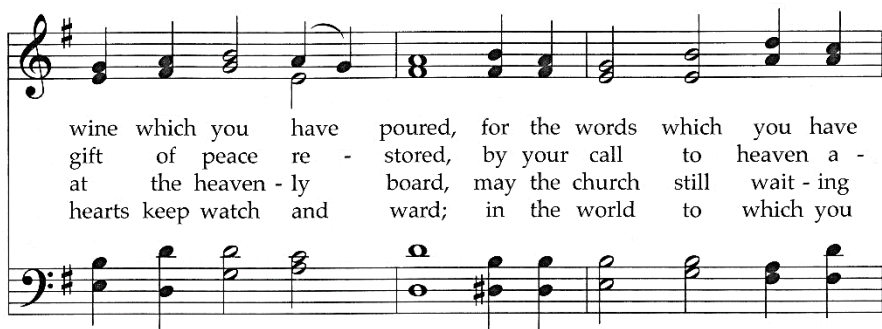


As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

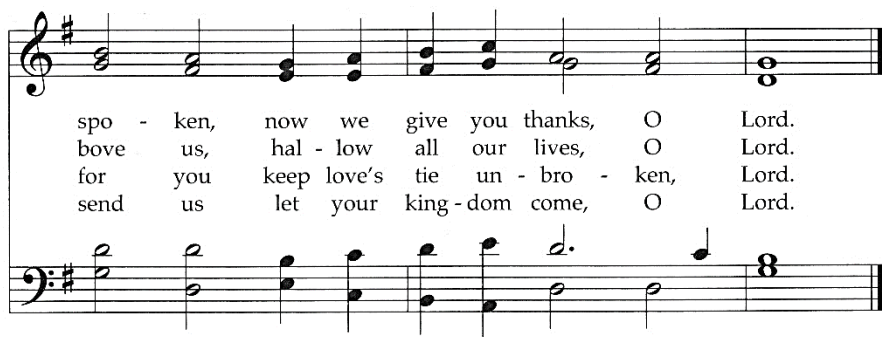
516 For the Bread Which You Have Broken



1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your
3 With the saints who now a - dore you seat - ed
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our



wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
gift of peace re - stored, by your call to heaven a -
at the heaven - ly board, may the church still wait - ing
hearts keep watch and ward; in the world to which you



spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

Praise God, from Whom
All Blessings Flow
Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise *him, all crea-tures

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

346 For the Healing of the Nations

1 For the heal - ing of the na - tions, Lord, we pray with
 2 Lead us for - ward in - to free - dom; from de - spair your
 3 All that kills a - bun - dant liv - ing, let it from the
 4 You, Cre - a - tor God, have writ - ten your great name on

one ac - cord; for a just and e - qual shar - ing
 world re - lease; that, re - deemed from war and ha - tred,
 earth be banned: pride of sta - tus, race, or school - ing,
 hu - man - kind; for our grow - ing in your like - ness,

of the things that earth af - fords; to a life of
 all may come and go in peace. Show us how through
 dog - mas that ob - scure your plan. In our com - mon
 bring the life of Christ to mind, that by our re -

love in ac - tion help us rise and pledge our word.
 care and good - ness fear will die and hope in - crease.
 quest for jus - tice may we hal - low life's brief span.
 sponse and ser - vice earth its des - ti - ny may find.

The first line of this text quotes the declared purpose of the leaves of the tree of life growing beside the river of life in the heavenly Jerusalem (Revelation 22:2). The hymn continues by identifying some of the many ways we are called to share with God in this healing work.

Scripture Readings – May 5, 2024

LESSON FROM ACTS

John Paterson

Acts 10:44-48

⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵ The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶ for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷ 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' ⁴⁸ So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

GOSPEL LESSON

Pastor George Prohaska

John 15:9-17

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹² This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶ You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷ I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.