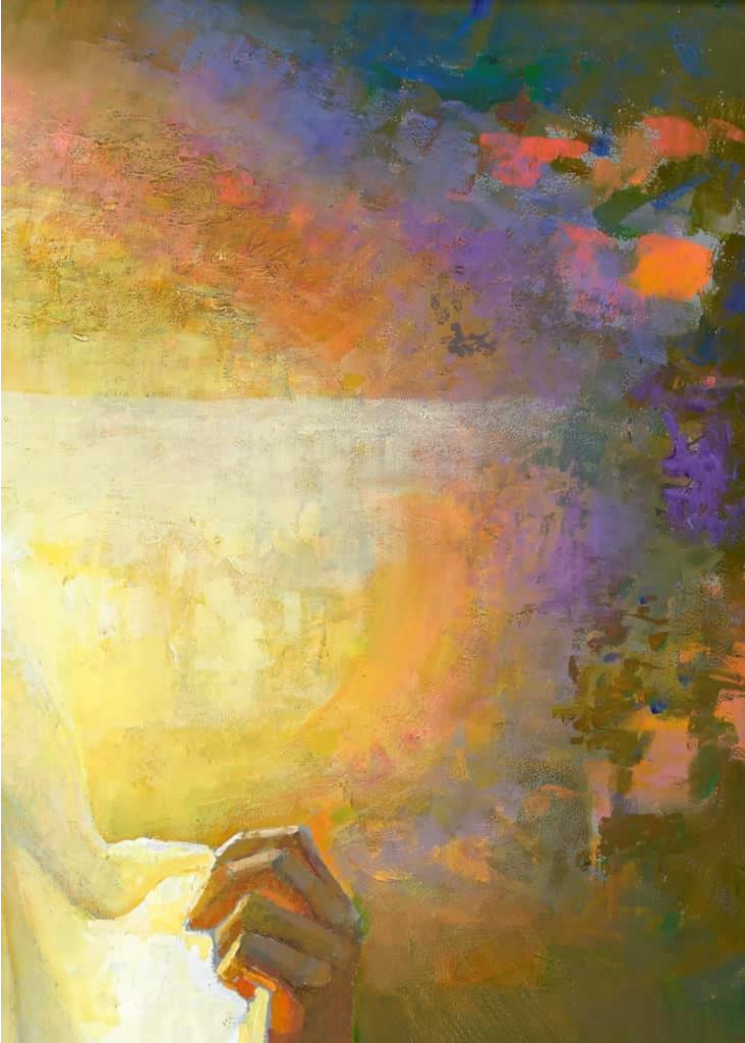




FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of Lynn Haven



-MORNING WORSHIP-
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 15, 2022
10:00 AM

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY
LENT | **EASTER** | PENTECOST



Welcome to all who gather to worship this day!

It is our hope that you feel the warmth of God's presence and welcome here. If this is your first time joining us, we are honored by your presence and hope to see you again soon! To stay informed, scan the QR code or visit www.firstchurchlh.org and subscribe to our weekly email. There's a lot going on here, and we want you to be a part of it!

- About the Service -

Worship services are filmed for later access on Facebook and our church website. As a courtesy to our viewers, please refrain from loud conversation once the service begins!

The People's words are in **bold text**. *Indicates that the congregation may stand.

Offering plates are in the Narthex (sanctuary entrance) before and after worship. Because of your generosity, First Church makes a difference in our neighborhood.



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a member congregation of:

The Presbytery of Florida,
The Synod of South Atlantic, and
The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

The Session (spiritual leaders of the congregation):

Moderator: **The Rev. Lisa W. Martin**

Clerk of Session: **Rosa Stanley**

Class Of 2022: **Rich Kangas, Steve Gabbard, Wanda Wallace**

Class Of 2023: **Huey Hayes, Ann Fyfe**

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“When in Our Music God Is Glorified”

arr. Anna Laura Page

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 148)

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise God in the heights!

Praise the Lord, all God’s angels, sun and moon, bright shining stars!

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth –

Let everyone and everything praise the Lord, for God’s name alone is exalted. God’s glory is above earth and heaven!

Praise the Lord!

*HYMN

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“Praise Ye the Lord”

CLEVELAND

*OPENING PRAYER

All praise is yours, almighty God, for you created all that is, and you called all of it ‘good’. As we worship you this day, open our hearts and minds to the ways you continue to create good, and by your Spirit, enable us the privilege to see and to sense your majesty around us – in creation and in each other. In Christ, Amen.

ANTHEM

CHANCEL CHOIR

“One”

Dennis Allen, Nan Allen

WE EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³ saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” ⁴ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵ “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners, and it came close to me. ⁶ As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air.

⁷ I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸ But I replied, 'By no means, Lord, for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹ At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹² The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³ He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴ he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" ¹⁸ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

MESSAGE

Rev. Lisa Martin

"No Distinction"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*DECLARATION OF FAITH *(based on 1 Corinthians & Colossians)*

This is the Good News which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved: that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared to Peter, then to the twelve, and to many faithful witnesses. We believe that he is the Christ, the Son of the living God. He is the first and the last, the beginning and the end. He is our Lord and God! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Amen!

PIANO MEDITATION

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

Anonymous, arr. James Koerts

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE 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.

WE DEPART TO SERVE THE RISEN LORD

*HYMN

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

DENNIS

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
4 When we are called to part, it gives us
5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
in - ward pain; but we shall still be
shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's"

*BENEDICTION & THREE-FOLD AMEN

DANISH

POSTLUDE

“In Christ There is No East or West”

arr. Dale Wood

Praise Ye the Lord

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(Psalm 150)

Refrain

D G D Em D/A A7 D *Fine*

Praise ye the Lord, Hal-le-lu-jah! Ev-ery-bod-y praise the Lord.

B^b F B^b

1 Praise God with the sound of the trum - pet. Praise God with the
 2 Praise God with ho - ly cym - bals. Praise God with
 3 Praise God in the ho - ly tem - ple. Praise God for al -
 4 Praise God on top of the moun - tains. Praise God both

D B^b

lute and the harp. Praise God with tim - brel and danc -
 strings and with pipes. Praise God with clash - ing cym -
 might - y deeds. Praise God for those boun - ti - ful mer -
 day and night. Praise God down in the low val -

F B^b A7 *to Refrain*

- ing. Praise God wher - ev - er you are.
 - bals. Praise God with all of your might.
 - cies, for God ful - fills our needs.
 - leys. Praise God be - cause it's all right.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 15 -

Everyone is invited to our Fellowship Luncheon immediately following worship today! Our guest speaker is Pat Wood, director of the Garden Club. Is it a weed or something special? When do those bulbs get planted? What's that beautiful flower called? These questions and more will be addressed!

The Prayer Group Ministry Group meets tomorrow at 9 am in the church office parlor. Everyone who wants to pray is welcome!

The Presbytery of Florida gathers for its stated meeting this Saturday, May 21, at Camp Dogwood Acres. Pastor Lisa will preach, and Don Mowat (vice-moderator of presbytery) will be in attendance.

It's Not Too Late to register for summer camp at Camp Dogwood Acres! Check out their opportunities for children and youth at <https://www.dogwoodacres.org/>. Pastor Lisa will serve as camp chaplain the week of July 24-29.

School is almost out for the summer! If you'd like to be part of a hot dog, chip, and drink grilling party for Lynn Haven Elementary School students as they leave school on Wednesday, May 25. Please contact Aline in the church office. We did this before the pandemic and had so much fun! If you'd like to donate hot dogs, hot dog buns, individual size chip bags, or small bottles of water, that would be fantastic. We need about 300!



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