



*“I will bless the Lord
at all times”*

(Psalm 34)

May 17, 2026

7th Sunday of Easter

“Organ playing is the manifestation of a will filled with the vision of eternity.”

— Charles Marie Widor

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

PRELUDE

“Adagio” from Organ Symphony No. 4

Charles-Marie Widor
Organist, Jill Hunt

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adopted from Psalm 68)

Liturgist, Susan Landers

Sing to God!

Sing praises to his name.

Lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds!

His name is the Lord.

Celebrate his name!

Sing praises to the Lord.

Let us join with the Great Congregation.

Let us bless God in worship and praise.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 81

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we know that you care for us, that you strengthen us, and that you restore us. Yet, we do not trust you, and we go about our lives filled with anxiety, questioning you and your claim on our lives. Forgive us and help us walk confidently in your grace. Help us be a comforting presence to others, providing for those in need and giving hope to all who fear for tomorrow.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE:**

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven 619

(Psalm 103)

1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; glad of heart your
car - ols raise; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
who, like me, should sing God's praise? Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the Mak - er all your days!

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 2/4 time signature. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes in the bass clef.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE

Psalm 96, NRSV

SPECIAL MUSIC

“O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee”

arr. Wood/Dixon

Jeff Lindberg & Stan Osborne

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE

Acts 1:6-14, RCL

MESSAGE music—"I Will Bless the Lord at All Times" The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY No. 395 "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"

MINUTE FOR MISSION Renee Warren

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" J.S. Bach

***DOXOLOGY** (Hymnal # 606)

***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. Amen.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (Celebrating the gifts for the PW Birthday Offering)

THE SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

PRESENTATION OF NEW OFFICERS

Deacon Kathy Sherrod

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Sung to Finlandia) see following page

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God's call for faithfulness and your invitation to join in!)

***HYMN OF SENDING No. 611** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Prelude and Fuge in F Major" J.S. Bach

**Please stand if you are able.*



FINLANDIA

The Lord's Prayer

Arr. by Richard D Row



1. Our heavenly Fath-er, who in love a-bideth. We worship Thee, we
2. O give us grace to meet the coming morrow, forgive our debts as



praise Thy holy name. Teach us Thy children, ev-er-more to love Thee,
others we for-give, Thou leadest not Thy children in temptation



Thy will be done in earth as heav'n to-day. Teach us Thy child-ren
de-liv-er us from e-vil and all sin. Thine is the king-dom



ev-er-more to love Thee, Thy will be done in earth as heav'n today.
Thine the pow'r and glory, world without end for evermore, Amen.



Announcements

Greeters this morning are Carol & Brian Rood.

Fellowship Time—Join us today for coffee and treats hosted by Wednesday Bible Study.

Organ Restoration Fund Pledge Cards are available in the Narthex. Please consider a gift to help keep our pipe organ fully operational for generations to come. If you have already pledged or donated, THANK YOU!

CROSSROADS GROCERY CART will be in the Narthex today. Especially needed items are toilet paper, pasta sauce, Chef Boyardee, and white rice.

Estes Park Sister Cities Association (EPSCA) is sponsoring an informal presentation about our sister city, Monteverde, Costa Rica, **this evening at 7:00pm** in the church library. Presenters will include Paul Greenberg, who visited Monteverde in January 2026, and Lyn Sadler, who visited our sister city in February of this year. Anyone else who has been to Monteverde in the recent past or is planning a visit this year is also invited to attend and participate.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine will be on Wednesday, May 20th at 12:00 noon in the church library. Come join us as we continue a study series on the book of Exodus. All you need is your bible. This week's topic is "Passover" Scripture: Exodus 11-12. See you there!

Adult Study Group with Carol Nussbaumer — Adult Study Group (a.k.a. Not Your Mother's Sunday School) will not be held this Friday, May 22, but will resume on Friday, May 29th at 10:00am in the church library.

The **Presbyterian Women's Bible Study** will meet tomorrow, Monday, May 18, in the church library to discuss lesson nine, our final lesson for the Horizons Bible study book, *Finding Resilience, Joy, and our Identity in Jesus Christ*. Dale Bonza will lead the discussion on "When You are Walking with Jesus: The Road to Emmaus." Please bring a salad to share for our **Salad Potluck** starting at 11:30 as we celebrate our year together. Our lesson will begin at 12:15.

Today the **PW Birthday Offering** will be collected and dedicated. The projects supported this year will provide safe living conditions and reliable transportation in Ohio for women and children in crisis as well as food access for the underserved in rural communities of North Carolina. There are envelopes in the pewholders if you would like to participate in this grant program, providing hope for the hopeless by meeting both their physical and spiritual needs. Thank you.

Upcoming:

Monday, May 25—Church Office Closed in observance of Memorial Day

Friday, May 29—Estes Park Chorale Concert at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary

Save the Date!

Vacation
Bible
School

**Thursday, July 16 -
Sunday, July 19, 2026**
9:00 - 11:30 am



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PENTECOST
sunday

May 24th

**Wear your
brightest
RED to church
and celebrate!**

The Week Ahead

Monday, May 18

9:30am Hospitality Committee
11:30am Presbyterian Women
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance
4:00pm Session

Tuesday, May 19 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance
6:45pm Hispanic Bible Study

Wednesday, May 20

12:00pm Bible Study
1:30pm Nada Quartet
6:00pm Estes Park Chorale Rehearsal

Thursday, May 21

3:00pm Columbarium Committee
6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Friday, May 22

9:30am Merry Marthas
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance

Saturday, May 23

10:00am Girl Scout Troop 70449
5:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Sunday, May 24

10:00am Worship
1:00pm Mountain Top Marriage Retreat



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