

First Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship

May 18, 2025

Prelude I *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* – arr. Barbara Harbach

Prelude II *I'm So Blessed* – Matthew West
HolyGrounds Praise Band

Welcome & Announcements Dan Reeves
Pass the Peace

Video — Love Like Jesus

Responsive Call to Worship Jack Oliver

One: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Many: **One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord.**

One: For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his shelter: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

Many: **And now shall my head be lifted up above my enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the Lord.**

*Opening Hymn *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!* #305

Call to Confession Jack Oliver

Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we turn away from the pains and cries of our world. Overwhelmed by its brokenness, we ignore the call to engage and love those who are hurting. Father, forgive us, strengthen us, and help us to love this world with hope. Let us be people who mourn and grieve along with those in sorrow that we might receive the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Doxology *Doxology* (Tune: Marion)

Prayer for Illumination Jack Oliver

Scripture — Isaiah 25:6-9 (ESV)

Anthem *For the Beauty of Creation* – Shirley Morris, Shirley Murray
Sanctuary Choir; Pianist Bea Towe

Time with our Children Anita Ramsey

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