

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Helena, MT

Sunday, May 22, 10:00 a.m.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Accompanist - Barb Leland

Liturgist - John Warren

Pulpit Supply - Arlyn "Butch" Plowman

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Prelude

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn GTG #475

Prayer of Confession

Peace of Christ / Gloria Patri

Special Music

*"There Is A Green Hill Far Away*

Kings College Cambridge

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Psalm 23 - Page 862

Gospel Reading

John 10:1-10 - Page 1666

Sermon

*"Good Shepherd"*

Response Hymn GTG #688

Offering/Doxology

Prayers of the People

Unison Lord's Prayer

Life of the Church

Sending Hymn GTG #39

Benediction

Response GTG #542

Postlude

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[www.fpchelena.org](http://www.fpchelena.org)  
Or, e-mail us at [admin@fpchelena.org](mailto:admin@fpchelena.org)  
Church Office: (406) 442-4775

This Week

- 5/25** - FPC Choir 7 p.m.
- 5/26** - Bible Study 4 p.m.
- 5/27** - Bible Study 12 noon  
Hand & Foot Cards 1:30 p.m.
- 5/29** - Sunday Service 10 a.m.  
Social Time 11 a.m.

## Hymns

### *“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*

Come, thou Fount  
of every blessing;  
tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer;  
hither by thy help I'm come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart; O take and seal it;  
seal it for thy courts above.

### *“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”*

**Spirit of God,  
descend upon my heart;  
wean it from earth,  
through all its pulses move**

**Stoop to my weakness,  
mighty as thou art,  
and make me love thee  
as I ought to love.**

**I ask no dream,  
no prophet ecstasies,  
no sudden rending  
of the veil of clay,**

**No angel visitant,  
no opening skies;  
but take the dimness  
of my soul away.**

**Hast thou not bid us love thee,  
God and King;  
all, all thine own, soul, heart,  
and strength, and mind?**

**I see thy cross;  
there teach my heart to cling.  
O let me seek thee,  
and O let me find!**

**Teach me to feel  
that thou art always nigh.  
Teach me the struggles  
of the soul to bear,**

**To check the rising doubt,  
the rebel sigh.  
Teach me the patience  
of unanswered prayer.**

**Teach me to love thee  
as thine angels love,**

**one holy passion filling  
all my frame;**

**The baptism of the  
heaven-descended Dove,  
my heart an altar,  
and thy love the flame.**

***“Great Is Thy  
Faithfulness”***

**Great is thy faithfulness,  
O God my Father;  
there is no shadow  
of turning with thee.**

**Thou changest not;  
thy compassions they fail not.  
As thou hast been  
thou forever wilt be.**

**Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning,  
new mercies I see.**

**All I have needed thy hand  
hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness,  
Lord unto me!**

**Summer and winter, and  
springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their  
courses above**

**Join with all nature  
in manifold witness**

**to thy great faithfulness,  
mercy, and love.**

**Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning,  
new mercies I see.**

**All I have needed thy hand  
hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness,  
Lord unto me!**

**Pardon for sin and a peace  
that endureth,  
thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide,**

**Strength for today and  
bright hope for tomorrow:  
blessings all mine,  
with ten thousand beside!**

**Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning,  
new mercies I see.**

**All I have needed thy hand  
hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness,  
Lord unto me!**

***“God Be with You  
Till We Meet Again”***

**God be with you till we meet again;  
loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
with a shepherd's care enfold you:  
God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again;  
unseen wings protecting hide you,  
daily manna still provide you:  
God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again;  
when life's perils thick  
confound you,  
put unfailing arms around you:  
God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again;  
keep love's banner floating  
o'er you;  
smite death's threatening wave before you:  
God be with you till we meet again.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **JOIN IN MISSION IN GLACIER!**

This Holy Week, an intergenerational formation group (by Zoom) will begin to explore together 10 ways to grow as salt and light in God's world. This summer, two teams commissioned by Glacier will serve for a week each, one in Basin/Helena, and one at Glacier Camp/Hot Springs/Kalispell, to demonstrate God's care. Will you join in and grow with others in God's family and witness the amazing things God is doing in our world?

See the pink sheets in the back for more information!

There is a \$100 scholarship for the first person from each church that signs up, reducing the cost from \$300 to \$200.

The week at Basin/Helena will be June 16-22, and the week at Glacier Camp/Hot Springs/Kalispell will be July 25-August 1. To get started in the Zoom mission study contact Beth McCaw at

[beth.glacierpresbytery@gmail.com](mailto:beth.glacierpresbytery@gmail.com).

## **HELENA FOOD SHARE - FILLING EMPTY BOWLS**

Tickets are on sale for the May 24 “Filling Empty Bowls” fundraiser for the Helena Food Share. “Join us for an evening with good friends, and enjoy soup made by local chefs in bowls created by local artisans, bread from local bakeries, drinks and music.” Tickets at [HelenaFoodShare.org/EmptyBowls](http://HelenaFoodShare.org/EmptyBowls). Tickets are \$100 each or two for \$175.

## **COUPONS, WE NEED YOUR COUPONS!!**

We need your help by bringing in coupons for those in need here in our community. Please drop them off in the basket in the lobby as you come in the front door, or contact Tonna Strasko for more information.

## **CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE**

After-service Social Time has resumed with coffee and snacks. Stop by, pick some up, and enjoy fellowship with others.

And, you can contribute your culinary gifts (or shopping gifts) by volunteering to bring treats for Fellowship Time. See sign-up sheet on coffee table to volunteer your goodies.

## **BIBLE STUDIES AT FPC**

A Bible Study using the text, “Following the Call: Living the Sermon on the Mount Together,” meets Thursdays at 4 p.m. around the large table upstairs. Read chapters 2, 3 & 4.

Pastor Scott will lead this study of Matthew’s Sermon on the Mount - Matthew chapters 5 through 7. “Following the Call” is a collection of articles written by theologians throughout the ages, from Augustine of Hippo, to Soren Kierkegaard, to C. S. Lewis, to Dietrich Bonhoeffer, to N. T. Wright, about specific pieces of Christ’s teachings in these chapters. We will read and discuss how these authors view Christ’s words on being blessed because we are hungry, about loving our enemies, about worry, and much more.

And, on Friday at noon, is the Matthew Bible Study, currently in the 23<sup>rd</sup> chapter of Matthew. This study is led by John Coefield and meets in the Library West.

Feel free to join in either or both studies!

## **HAND AND FOOT CARD GAMES**

Hand and Foot card games have resumed on Fridays at 1:30 p.m. Come join in the fun in the Fellowship area. Never played? No problem! The game is easy to learn and willing teachers abound.



## **LOST SOLES HIKE MAY 22**

Lost Soles will hike around Cox Lake today. Meet at the church parking lot at 2 p.m.

## **ELDER, DEACON TRAINING RESCHEDULED**

Training for the oncoming Elders and Deacons - and any other Elders or Deacons who would like to attend - has been postponed until Saturday, June 4, starting at 10:30 a.m. And, ALL serving Elders and Deacons are invited for a lunch at noon on that day.

We will start at 10:30 a.m. in a general session with both Elders and Deacons, enjoy lunch at noon with the larger group, and then break into separate Elder and Deacon training after lunch.

## **REFUGEE FOOD BASKET PROJECT**

Please remember to give to the PC-USA Refugee Food Basket project. Give via the FPC website, mail in a check, or with a donation in the offering plate clearly marked for Refugee Food Basket. Thank you from the Mission Committee.

## **SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE**

DO TELL: Don't forget to tell us about a Matthew 25 experience you've had or a deed you've performed by posting it to the bulletin board in the Fellowship area. Thanks!

## **GLACIER CAMP WORK WEEKEND, BBQ**

Glacier Camp invites you to join the staff June 10-12 for a weekend of cleaning, trimming, painting and any other chores necessary to get camp ready for its summer season!

Complementary accommodations are available in Spruce Lodge. Sign up via email at: [info@glaciercamp.org](mailto:info@glaciercamp.org) or call 406-844-2114. Plan to bring work gloves, rakes and shovels, and some sunscreen.

The weekend will conclude with a Counselor Dedication Service and Summer Kick-Off Barbecue Sunday, at 5 p.m., on the Lake Lodge lawn.

## **SUMMER TIM TALKS**

**July 10-12**

The summer TIM (Theology in Ministry) Talks are scheduled for July 10-12 at Glacier Camp. We will explore “Go, Proclaim the Kingdom of God” -- following Jesus in Luke’s Gospel.

The retreat begins on Sunday, July 10, at dinner time and will conclude Tuesday, July 12, by noon. Go to [glacierpresbytery.org](http://glacierpresbytery.org) for more information.

## **HELP NEEDED FOR 150th ANNIVERSARY**

Your Fellowship Committee is looking for help preparing for First Presbyterian Church of Helena's 150th Anniversary Party -- June 19, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will have sandwiches and birthday cake, and the public will be invited.

If you can volunteer to set up Richardson Hall, serve the food, cut the cake, shop for decorations and put them up, or just give us some ideas for the celebration, please email Barb Leland at [barb640@hotmail.com](mailto:barb640@hotmail.com).

Thanks -- and we hope to see you there!

## **NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE MAY 24**

Articles for the June “Mustard Seed” are due in the church office by Tuesday, May 24.