

SERVICE OF WORSHIP (8:30 MAY 13)

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Ruth 2:20

GATHERING MUSIC

“Speak, O Lord” Getty, Townend

ORGAN PRAISE

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INTROIT

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The Sanctuary Choir; Jim DeJarnette

* CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 122 and Lamentations 3) Katie Fowler

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People: Let us go into the house of the Lord!

Leader: Great is our God! His mercies are new every morning!

People: Great is the faithfulness of God, our Father!

* HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 72, vs. 1, 2

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Chris Lawson, Stephen Hock, Jim Crosbie, Trumpet

* DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

**WELCOME AND GREETING

* SONG OF PRAISE

“This Is My Story” / “In This Very Room”

Chris Sebb, Piano; Jim Christian, Guitar; Marc Neihof, Bass; Scott Barbier, Percussion

Crosby, arr. Hayes / Harris

* Congregation standing.

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CALL TO CONFESSION

COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION

○ God, You made us in Your own image and redeemed us through Jesus Your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family. We confess the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts. Break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish Your purposes on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

* **RESPONSE, No. 72, vs. 3**

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed** John Goodale

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Danny Shaw

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

"Children, Go Where I Send Thee"arr. Tucker
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SERMON

WHO KNOWS? Seven Stories to Inspire

"Ruth" Ruth 2:17-23 Tom Pipkin

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"There Is A Redeemer".Green

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

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Words: James DeJarnette; tune: Terra Beata

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Allegro Maestoso" from Sonata IIMendelssohn

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PREPARE all GENERATIONS to IMPACT LIVES for CHRIST

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* HYMN OF PREPARATION, No. 56, vs. 1, 3, 4

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

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GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP Jennifer Holz

SONGS OF WORSHIP Chris Cullins and Greg Hartnett

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DECLARATION OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH CONFIRMATION AND SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00 a.m.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD’S PRAYER

SERMON

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SONG OF RESPONSE

BENEDICTION

Our **Prayer Team** is available to pray for you in the front of the Worship Center following the service.

* Children 3 through Kindergarten are invited to **Bible Break** after the Children’s Sermon during the

11 a.m. service. Check your potty-trained children in at a check-in station if you’d like them to attend.

Pick up children in Room 236 promptly after the service concludes. Children are always welcome in worship.

HAPPENINGS

Curious About Jesus?

He's the reason we're here! Ministers are available after each service and would love to listen and answer your questions.

New to First Pres?

We're so glad you're with us. Greeters have a welcome gift for you and can help you find your way into the life of the church. Meet them at Guest Central, just east of the Sanctuary, and near the Weber Street doors in the Plaza.

Doorways New Members Class – Sundays, June 3 to June 24, 9:45 to 11 a.m. Ready to put down roots at First Pres? Doorways is led by pastoral staff in an environment of community and connection. For information contact Mary Frieg at mfrieg@first-pres.org or register at www.first-pres.org/membership.

For the Whole Church Family

Everyone is invited to Frank Shelton's Retirement Organ Recital – Tuesday, May 15, 7:30 p.m. at Shove Chapel at Colorado College. Frank will play selections from Bach, Corelli, Bedard and others.

The Spring Library Book Fair will take place just outside the library from May 20 to 27. Take home a new-to-you book. Monetary donations received will be used for library expenses.

Summer Fun

VBS, camps, day camps and trips are available for ages 2 through high school. Check out

offerings by age, plus our Music and Arts camps for many ages at www.first-pres.org/summer.

Women | 884-6117 | first-pres.org/women

Women's Life/MOPS combined summer Bible Study, Mondays, June 4 through July 9, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in room 209. Cost is \$30. Register at www.first-pres.org/women.

MOPS Summer Bible Study – Thursdays, May 31 through Aug. 2, 9 to 11:15 a.m. in room 209. Cost is \$55. Register at www.first-pres.org/MOPS.

Students | 884-6220 | first-pres.org/students

Middle School and High School meet Sunday morning at 10 a.m. Come join us in the Weber Street Center!

Children | 884-6126 | first-pres.org/children

On Sundays, preschoolers meet on the 2nd floor at 10 a.m.; K-4th graders meet on the 3rd floor at 10 a.m.

First Pres Preschool is now enrolling students ages 3 through Pre-K for two- to four-day programs for the 2018-2019 school year. Call 884-6133 or visit www.first-pres.org/preschool.

Nursery | 884-6139 | first-pres.org/nursery

Nursery is available during all worship services and many midweek events.

Mission Engagement | 884-6233 | first-pres.org/missions

Join the India Team for an evening of storytelling

as they share about their recent trip – Monday, May 14, at 6:30 in room 435.

Volunteer ESL teachers are needed for the summer to teach adult refugee students. Training and curriculum are supplied. Volunteers must be able to plan and teach lessons, and pass an extensive background check.

Caring Ministries | 884-6145 | first-pres.org/care
Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month, 1:30 p.m. in Room 205.

The ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) Support group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 6 p.m. in the Spruce room: ALS patients and their families are invited. For more information, contact Julie at 481-1906.

Gifts to
Sanctuary Flower Fund
In Memory of:

Our mothers, Mrs. Ambrosia S. Pope & Mr. Mark K. Peace by Dick & Doris Peace

Grace Allington, Elizabeth Keller, Lois Keller and Joyce Gubser by the Gubser family

Mrs. Anna Pearson and Mrs. Eleni Hadjis by Peter & Helen Hadjis

My mother, Elsie Kennedy by Mrs. Elsie Wood & family

My Loving mother, Lois Harsh by Jeff Harsh

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Mary K. Goebel Eastridge 5/10/18

Information on those who have gone to be with the Lord may be found at www.first-pres.org/memorials.

Work at First Pres | 884-6190 | first-pres.org/jobs
High School Ministry Associate, full-time; Middle School Ministry Associate, full-time; Assistant Pastor of Mission Engagement, full-time; Nursery Caregiver, part-time; 2018-19 Preschool Teacher and Teacher Assistant (and Substitutes)

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

Mission Emphasis: Partners in Housing provides homeless families the hope and opportunity to achieve self-sufficiency through supportive services and transitional housing. The goal is to bring stability, find employment, and manage their income and transition to permanent housing and self-reliance. Pray for the families involved in the program, that they would take advantage of the opportunity in front of them and have a grounding hope in faith as they take steps towards a better future.

Local Church: St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral

Pray for those in hospitals or short-term rehab:

Memorial Central

Mr. William Ricketts

Mr. Clyde Keith

Mrs. Marian Hendrickson

Center at Centennial

Mrs. Pat Anderson

Mr. Bob Bunch

Penrose Main

Mrs. Elise Gonsholt

Bridge

Mr. William Hodson

Health Care Resort

Mrs. Ann Thomas

Sunny Vista

Mr. Richard Suriano