

**Morning Worship—May 28, 2017**

**Seventh Sunday in Easter**

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. \*Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.*

**PRELUDE** "Praeludium" Bach/Whitford

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Shout to God with songs of great joy!

**People: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!**

Leader: God has made us whole.

**People: God has called us to a ministry of hope and love.**

Leader: Come, let us celebrate the love of God!

**People: Let us praise God's name and serve God joyfully. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF WORSHIP 361** "How Firm a Foundation"

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Almighty Father, Lord of heaven and earth: we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us after Your great goodness; according to the multitude of Your mercies, do away with our offenses; wash us thoroughly from our wickedness, and cleanse us from our sins; for Jesus Christ's sake. Hear our prayer as we continue in silence.*

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Hear the good news! Christ Jesus entered the world to rescue sinners.

**People: He bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good.**

Leader: Christ died for us, Christ rose for us;

**People: Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us.**

Leader: Believe in the good news of the gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**Gloria Patri (579)** GREATOREX, 1851

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offering in Music "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Gerald Anderson  
Doxology 591 OLD HUNDREDTH

*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

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES** Nicky Bracey

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.*

**ANTHEM** "I Will Sing With the Spirit" John Rutter

**UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and Your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.*

**LESSONS** (page 836/878) 1 Thessalonians 3

**SERMON** "Getting a Good Report" Rev. Thompson

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Hymnal Pg. 14) The Apostles' Creed

*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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen*

**\*HYMN OF WORSHIP 393** "Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said"

**BENEDICTION 535** "Go With Us, Lord"

**POSTLUDE** "Fughetta" Andrew Gant

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God by the Blount Family.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

**PASTORAL CONCERNS**— Martha Bell, Chuck Bolt, Lisa Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Beth Brown, Bill Brown, Claire Campbell, Jon Cao, Nelson R. Clark, Judy Cox (Kristen Cox’s sister-in-law), Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Pauline Fitts, Betty Fitzgerald, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson’s sister), Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Doug Jones, Jana Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Larry Mann, Ruth Meadors, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, A. B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Rhoda Neal, Judy Poythress (Mike Reynolds’ sister), Carson Roberds and parents Ashleigh and Alex Roberds, Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberry, Emily Weller, Tom West

**ON THE MEND**--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Kevin Bailey, Martha Bell, Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Kelvin Gunn, Grace Litzenberg, Thomas Peyton Mahaffey, Erica Mann, Lee Norman, Russell Vandiver



**SERVING TODAY**

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| Nursery/Sunday School          | Harriet Beale  |
| Children’s Sunday School       | Rebecca Atkinson & Chris Moore<br>Sara Weller & Jennifer Stowe |
| Elders at Front Door           | Gene Hayes   |
| Friendship Period              | Joan Reynolds, Jeanne Nostrandt                                |
| Deacon to Receive Offering     | Becky Meadema  |
| Officers to Count Offering     | Beale/Meadema  |
| Church School Superintendent   | Gail Davis   |
| Liturgist                      | Marissa Meadors  |
| Time for Young Disciples       | Nicky Bracey   |
| Sound System                   | C. B. Strange  |
| Ushers                         | Team 4   |
| Flower Ministry                | Bible Fellowship Class   |
| Weekend Custodian              | Ron Tanner   |
| Childcare Specialists          | Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler                                      |
| Saturday Lunch Ministry June 3 | Brenna Takata, Mike Reynolds                                   |

PLEASE JOIN US

We will have a **congregational meeting** on June 11 after worship to vote on recommendations from Session and the Nominating Committee regarding length of terms for Deacons.



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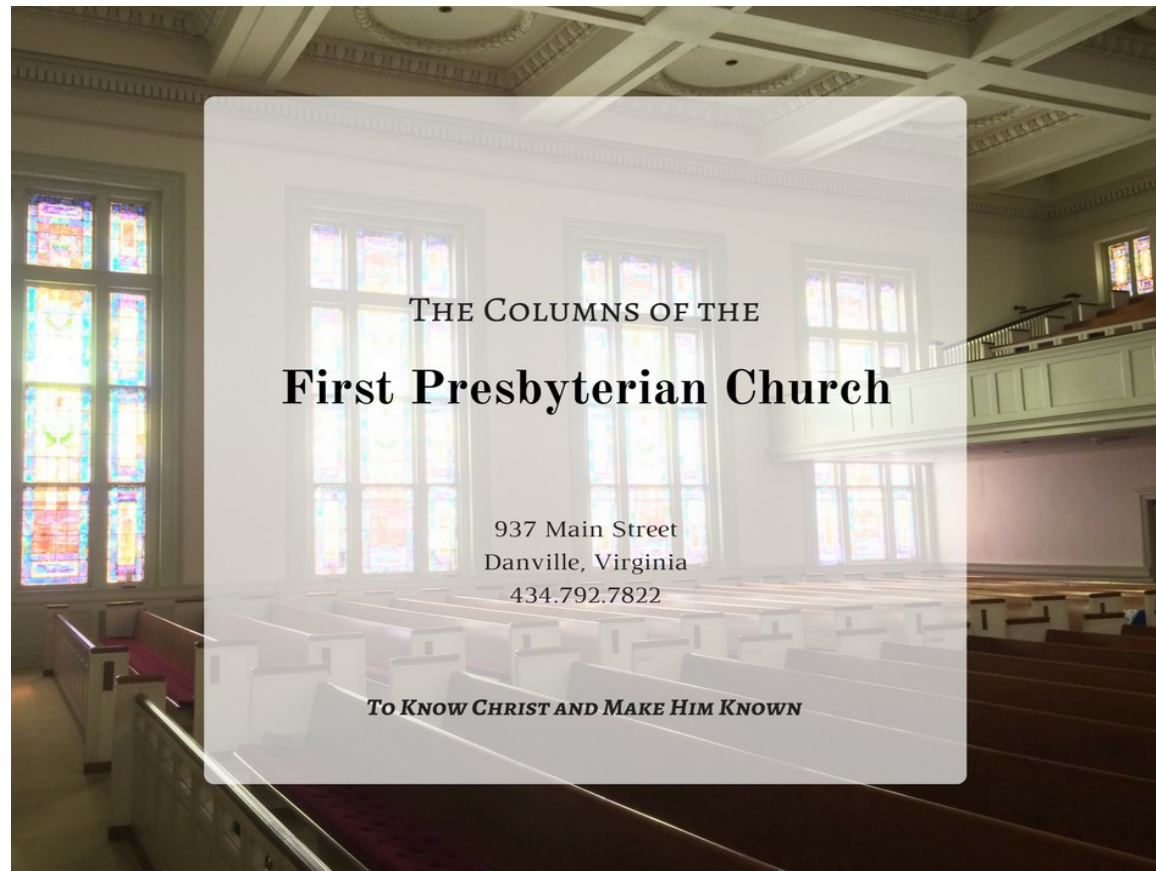
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**THIS WEEK AT  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**

**MONDAY, May 29 Memorial Day**  
All Day Church Office Closed

**WEDNESDAY, May 31**  
6 p.m. Youth

**THURSDAY, June 1**  
5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

**FRIDAY, June 2**  
All Day Church Office Closed

**SATURDAY, June 3**  
10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study  
11:15 a.m. Lunch Ministry

**SUNDAY, June 4**  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School:  
Mid & High School, Rm 112  
Outlook Class, Rm 322  
Bible Fellowship, Library  
Seekers, Rm 109  
11 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary  
Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS