^Song of Praise: <u>Behold Our God</u>

God Offers Grace in Calling Us to Worship...

## Call to Worship

ABenediction

Lead: The Lord is my portion; I have promised to keep your words.

All: <u>I have sought your favor with all my heart; be gracious to me according to your promise.</u>

Lead: I am a friend to all who fear you, to those who keep your precepts.

All: Lord, the earth is filled with your faithful love; teach me your statutes.

Song of Pleading: <u>Speak, O Lord</u>

## God Offers Grace in the Confession of Sin...

## Call to Confession of Sin

## **Unison Prayer of Confession**

Our Father, who is in heaven, your name is holy. May your kingdom come, and may your will be done, here in our fellowship together. We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with conditions. We judge and condemn. We cast the first stone and keep the logs in our own eyes. We do not turn to You as the source of all we need. Forgive us, Lord Jesus. As Christians, we bear your name. Help us to bring glory to you alone. Amen.

Assurance of Grace	<u>Ps 103:8-12</u>
The Offering of Our Hearts: <u>Jesus, Cast a Look on Me</u>	<u>Mt 5:3-5, Ps 138:6, Mt 18:3, Col 1:20</u>
God Offers Grace Through His Word…	
Scripture Reading: <u>Acts 11:1-30</u>	Pew Bible p. 1089
Sermon: They Were Called Christians	
God Sends Us to Live in the Power of His Grace	
Song: <u>Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love</u>	<u>Jn 15:13; Ps 145:3-13; Rom 5:8</u>

^Please stand, if able.

# April 28, 2024 . . . 10 a.m. Worship Guide It's a great day to live the gospel!

A digital version of the Worship Guide is available at www.fpcb.org. Our order of worship is a rehearsal of how sinners are reconciled with God who is holy: God calls us to worship him; we are compelled to confess our sins; God forgives us because Jesus paid the price for our sins; we respond to God's forgiveness, and Jesus' love, by offering our lives to Him; the Holy Spirit guides us in truth as scripture is read and preached; and then we leave to seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness.

We Gather to Seek, Speak, and Sing God's Grace...

## <sup>^</sup>Unison Affirmation

The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.

1 Sam 3:10; Ps 119:18; Rom 12:2; 2 Cor 5:7

based on Ps 145:13-14

based on Acts 11

Psalm 103:19

Is 40:12-17, Ps 46:4-10

Ps 119:57-58, 63-64





Join us on a journey to follow Jesus, grow together, and make disciples.

### Welcome!

**Guests: Welcome! Please fill out a welcome card found in the pew racks.** They are behind the offering envelopes and can be dropped into the offering plate or left on the pew. Thank you!

We offer childcare during worship for infants through pre-k students. See anyone with a name tag for directions to the childcare room.

**Bring Your Children to Church.** Each week during the offering, all children in kindergarten through third grade are invited and led to Room 100 in the Education Wing for a bible lesson. Contact Pastor Jeremy Collins with questions at <u>collins@fpcb.org</u>.



**Our Sunday morning ministry for Preteens (Grades 4,5,6) is called 456** *Ministry*! This age group is dismissed from worship at the time of Offering to go downstairs to the Preteen Room. Adult Leaders lead them on a journey through a curriculum called *The Gospel Project* with the assistance of students in High School and Middle School. (Please note: *456 Ministry* does not meet on Communion Sundays.)

Want to know more about our life together and how to plug in? *The Map* is our weekly email that is sent every Thursday afternoon. It includes sermon summaries, announcements of upcoming events and activities of various groups, and mission partner news. You will also learn 'the whys" behind the things we do. To subscribe, contact Communications Director Julie at <u>kastelic@fpcb.org</u> or 724-443-1555, ext.224.

#### Care...

**Is your household facing a health concern, hospitalization, or hospice?** Contact Member Care Minister Elaine Stuebgen at <a href="mailto:stuebgen@fpcb.org">stuebgen@fpcb.org</a> or 724-443-1555, ext. 241 or Pastor Paul at 724-591-3106.

We are privileged to pray for you. Please submit prayer requests using the link at the bottom of our weekly emails or click <u>here</u>. You may choose to write "unspoken request." Elders will pray for your request.

#### Notable...

**We welcome Dianne Falvo as our Accompanist today!** Dianne is an accomplished church musician and friend of Shari Whitico, who is away attending the bridal shower for her future daughter-in-law!

Campus Workdays will occur on Friday, May 3, and Saturday, May 4, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Please click <u>here</u> to sign up, or call Linda in the office!

New Day Choir Practice will be held after worship on Sunday, May 5, and Sunday, May 12 to prepare the Pentecost Anthem.

#### Contact Us...

**Need something from our office?** We are open Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please call or schedule a meeting to ensure the staff member you wish to see is available. There are times when vacations, sickness, off-site tasks, or duties outside office hours require changes in a staff person's schedule or location on campus. **Office Phone:** 724-443-1555.

May 5	VST Budget Information Meeting - 11:15 a.m.
May 12	Confirmation Class will be received into active church membership
May 19	Pentecost ~ Communion will be observed, and our New Day Choir will sing!

#### **Looking Ahead**