

****CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

RESPONSE "Part in Peace" Arthur
POSTLUDE "Maestoso" Hegarty

PASTOR: Rev. Bob Thomson
GUEST PASTOR: Rev. Cynthia Reyes-Fillmore
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Wendy Dryden ORGANIST: Eleanor Lane
CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Ashley Braisted
SPECIAL MUSIC: 1st Five: Kevin Bohnenblust, Ernie and Melinda
Brazzale, Cori Cooper, and Eleanor Lane
Chancel Choir

Pastor Cynthia has served congregations in Southern California, Vancouver, WA, and Pittsburgh, PA. Since 2021, she and her husband Kent have been retired and living in Colorado Springs along with their two parrots. She is enjoying the blessings of retirement life by exploring the state of Colorado, working on her various craft projects, volunteering at the local parrot rescue, and keeping physically active at the gym.



Church Mission Statement

As followers of Jesus Christ, under the authority of the Bible, our mission is:
~ Glorifying and worshiping God
~ Baptizing and strengthening disciples
~ Loving and serving all people



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**First
Presbyterian
Church**

*Vibrant Worship,
Vibrant Discipleship,
Vibrant Service*

April 14, 2024 ~ 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service Theme:
"Eyes to See"
*White: Symbolizes the
Purity of Christ*

****Those who are able are invited to stand.**

PRELUDE "Balm in Gilead" Spiritual

TOLLING of the BELLS

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE for MISSION *Kevin Boyce and Joe Dougherty*

GATHERING AROUND the WORD of GOD

INTROIT "Day by Day, Dear Lord" Somervell

CALL TO WORSHIP *Rose Burrows*

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

People: Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

Leader: All the earth worships you;

People: They sing praises to you, and give you glory.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, our God. Let us pray...

PRAYER of PRAISE (Unison)

It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High. I proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night for you make me glad by your deeds. I sing for joy at the works of your hands. You, O Lord, are exalted forever. Amen.

****HYMN of PRAISE #485**

"To God Be the Glory"

****CALL TO CONFESSION**

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. With confidence let us approach the throne of grace.

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****PRAYER of CONFESSION (Unison)**

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. (Time of Silent Personal Confession) Amen.

****ASSURANCE of PARDON**

In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we are assured that there is no sin so terrible that God cannot forgive, no hurt so terrible that God cannot heal. God accepts, God forgives, and God sets free. Receive the forgiving love of God through Jesus Christ. Amen.

PASSING of the PEACE

“The Peace of Christ be with you.” “And also with you.”

****GLORIA PATRI #579**

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, Amen.

LISTENING for the WORD of GOD

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Rose Burrows

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Speak to us now through your word and reveal yourself and your will for our lives.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 16:8-11 (pg. 430)

The Word of the Lord

Rose Burrows

Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”

arr. Emerson

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 24:13-27 (pg. 860)

TIME for CHILDREN

Ashley Braisted

(Children may go upstairs for Sunday School.)

INTERPRETATION of the WORD

“Eyes to See”

Rev. Cynthia Reyes-Fillmore

RESPONDING to the WORD of GOD

****HYMN of RESPONSE #281**

“Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah”

****CONFESSION of FAITH - Apostles’ Creed - Traditional Version**

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.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and 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.

RESPONSE

“Almighty Father, Hear Our Prayer”

Mendelssohn

GIVING OF OURSELVES to GOD:

As God’s dear children, let us follow Christ by loving as he has loved us, giving himself for us as an offering, as a sweet smelling sacrifice to God. With gladness let us present the offerings of our life and labor to God. *You May Text Your Donation To: 844-913-2327.*

OFFERTORY

“On Eagle’s Wings”

arr. Hayes

****DOXOLOGY #592**

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 (Unison)**

Generous God, source of all goodness and charity, your ear is always open to our needs. When we cry to you, you are faithful and provide for us. With joy we bring our thanksgiving. For all your mercies, we return to you from our abundance. All that we give, we dedicate to your glory. All that we keep, we commit to your care, for we are only stewards of your bounty. Bless what we give and what we keep, for all is your creation. Amen.

****HYMN of SENDING #263**

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”