

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 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence 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.

THE MISSION STATEMENT OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FALLING SPRING

The mission of the Presbyterian Church of Falling Spring is to worship God, proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit. In our Reformed faith, we believe the Bible to be the authoritative Word of God. As a congregation, we strive to bring believers onto a path of discipleship and covenant to love and serve one another.

THE VISION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FALLING SPRING

**Loving our God, Living like Jesus Christ
Learning through the Holy Spirit**

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CELEBRATION OF MORNING WORSHIP

April 27, 2025

10:00 AM

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP WITH THIS PRELUDE & PRAYER: *Almighty God, may I never lose my sense of awe at the joy of your resurrection. Fill me with your light in my darkest moments. Amen.*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING ANTHEM

“Man On the Middle Cross”

Rhett Walker

Joyful Voices Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

P: God is our shelter and refuge on the days of trouble, and our hope and joy on the days of celebration!

L: Day after day, we seek God's face and the assurance of God's holy love:

P: O God, do not turn from us or hide your face from us! Be our guide and our light instead!

L: One thing we ask of God:

P: That we may live in God's dwelling place all the days of our life, and never cease to behold the beauty of God's home.

L: Beloved of God, enter this worship in thanksgiving, for God is among and within us!

P: Thanks be to God!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious Light-Bearer, into the shadows of our isolation you speak words of life and community. Challenger of our lives, you call us from places we call home to lead us more deeply into the world you love. With your gentle, healing touch you redeem the broken places of our lives and you heal the wounded places of the earth. Inspire our worship here this day, so that we may receive liberation in your word, and be filled to overflowing to share your reconciling love throughout the earth. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

*HYMN 364

“Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the Morning”

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace.

Forgive us, God. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, so that, as forgiven and renewed people, we may reflect the love and life of Jesus Christ into our world. Amen. (Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN 805 “Gloria Patri”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

READING FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES: GENESIS 1:1-5 (page 1)

L: This is the word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

READING FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES: PSALM 18:28-36 (page 498)

L: This is the word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

READING FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES: MATTHEW 5:13-16 (page 4)

L: This is the word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Glow in the Dark”

Brad Hill

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

*HYMN 538

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Alleluia”

R. Thompson

*HYMN 809 “Doxology”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

TO GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN 694

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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The flowers are given for the glory of God and in honor of our grandchildren Tillie Walker Lewis, Alice Mae Spang, and Liam Frederick Spang by Marty Walker and David Spang.

Serving as Ushers today are Deb and Mark Petrilla.

Welcome to worship! May your experience today deepen your love of God, inspire you to live like Jesus Christ and yearn to always learn through the Holy Spirit. “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” Romans 15:13

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

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