



**THE PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH OF DANVILLE**

**Fifth Sunday  
of Easter**

**May 3, 2025  
10:00am**



*Festival of Lights* John August Swanson, 2000

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# GATHERING

Opening Voluntary

*Praise His Holy Name!*

Keith Hampton  
Sanctuary Choir

Welcome and Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Minute for Ministry

VBS

Amy Wilson

Celebrations and Prayer Requests

◆ Opening Sentences

Benjamin Wilson

Christ is a living stone, precious in God's sight,  
and on him we build our lives.

**We are God's people, and we proclaim God's mighty acts,  
for we have been called out of darkness and into marvelous light.**

Once we were not a people,  
**but now we are God's people;**  
once we had not received mercy,  
**but now we have received mercy.**

**With hearts lifted in praise, we come to worship.**

◆ Hymn No. 409

*God Is Here!*

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Assurance of Pardon

Prayer of Confession

Jake Preston

**Christ, our way, our truth, our life,  
you have shown us the way, so clearly and fully.  
You have not simply told us how to live, you have shown us,  
but we still don't get it.**

**We do not believe all you have said to us;  
we do not trust the way you have shown us.**

**Help us, O God.**

**Forgive us.**

**Open our ears to your truth,  
open our eyes to your way,  
and lead us into new life.**

**Amen.**

(time for silent prayer)

◆ Sung Response No. 581

*Glory Be to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI

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

The **Opening Sentences** are inspired by 1 Peter 2:2-10.

The **Prayer of Confession** was written for the Call to Worship Journal.

## WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Lucy Kneisley

Psalter Reading

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

O . T., Pew Bible, p.505

New Testament Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10

N. T., Pew Bible, p. 233

Sermon

Sean Gladding

(a few moments for silent contemplation)

## EUCHARIST

◆ Hymn No. 327

*From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

◆ Affirmation of Faith

New life in Christ takes shape in a community  
in which people know  
that God loves and accepts them  
in spite of what they are.  
They therefore accept themselves and love others,  
knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand,  
except God's grace.

The **Affirmation of Faith** is adapted from The Confession of 1967, 9.22.

Invitation to Offering

Musical Offering

*Celebrating our Seniors Slideshow*

Amy Wilson

◆ Doxology No. 606

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)*

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

To give electronically, text "PRESBYDAN" to 73256. Please sign the Friendship Pad during the Musical Offering.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**  
... who forever sing to the glory of your name:  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**  
... Great is the mystery of faith: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**  
... all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors")

We will receive communion by intinction. Please take a piece of bread and dip it in the cup when they are brought to you. All the bread is gluten-free so that we may eat of the same loaf.

**Please partake of the elements at the station before returning to the pews.**

Breaking of the Bread  
Communion of the People  
Prayer after Communion

Sasha Wade

**O God, send us out from our Lord's table  
to answer his summons into new life  
and to follow him with joy and gladness.  
Set our feet in his holy way,  
that our lives may be signs of his life  
and all we do may show forth his love. Amen.**

### SENDING

◆ Hymn No. 321

*The Church's One Foundation*

AURELIA

Blessing of High School Seniors

Robin Voss

◆ Sung Charge and Benediction

*Hymn No. 175 Seek Ye First*

LAFFERTY

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.*

*Allelu, alleluia.*

*Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find;  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.*

*Allelu, alleluia.*

Closing Voluntary

*The Church's One Foundation*

arr. Don Hustad

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Please join us in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate our graduating seniors.

### WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

**Leading worship:**

Preacher ..... Sean Gladding  
Liturgists ..... Mark Tibbles, Robin Voss, Benjamin Wilson, Jake Preston, Lucy Kneisley and Sasha Wade  
Musicians ..... Sanctuary Choir, Susan Shewmaker and Jeff Wilson

**Assisting with worship:**

Lead Ushers ..... Scott Scutchfield and Claire Johnson  
Acolyte ..... Marcus Strauch  
Bible Bearer ..... Vivian Banks  
Livestream ..... Thad Strauch and Cameron Vanderteems  
Sound ..... Beau Weston

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# WELCOME

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**WELCOME VISITORS:** We are glad you found your way to The Presbyterian Church of Danville. For information about opportunities to worship, learn, and serve with us, we encourage you to check out our website at [presbydan.org](http://presbydan.org) and Facebook page at [presbydan](https://www.facebook.com/presbydan). If you would like to receive our weekly e-newsletter, please email [church@presbydan.org](mailto:church@presbydan.org). If you are interested in becoming a member of our congregation, please speak to Sean Gladding.

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:** We welcome your children in worship. Children's activity bags are located in the front and back of the Sanctuary, and we welcome children to participate in worship by processing the Bible, lighting the Christ candle, helping with the offering, and bringing communion elements forward.

**FRIENDSHIP PADS:** Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad (located at the end of the pew near the aisle) to your neighbors, both to register your attendance with us today and as a means of learning (or remembering) the names of those with whom you are worshipping.

**HEARING DEVICES, LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BIBLES** are available on the table in the back of the Sanctuary and on the table in the connector. An usher will be glad to assist you.

**PRAYER CARDS:** The lavender-colored cards for prayer requests are in each pew rack. Please place your requests in the offering plate, and our prayer ministry team will offer prayers for your requests.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY:** We are a Stephen Ministry church. Stephen Ministers are trained members of the congregation who are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care needed to make it through difficult times. If you, or someone you know, needs a Stephen Minister, please contact:

- Alice Davis, Stephen Ministry care referral coordinator - (859) 583-5995, or
- Sean Gladding, Pastor - (859) 806-7763

**THE LEGACY FUND:** The Legacy Fund is a secure endowment fund which has been set up to allow all members of the congregation to support The Presbyterian Church of Danville for generations to come. If you are interested in more information, contact Don Porter at [dwporter2@bellsouth.net](mailto:dwporter2@bellsouth.net) or (859) 324-5020.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**LIVESTREAM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL:** If for any reason you need to step out from the Sanctuary during worship, the service is livestreamed on the TV in the Fellowship Hall.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by the Wilson family in honor of The Class of 2026.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP:** Join us for Wednesday Night Fellowship this Wednesday at 5:15pm. The Hoebelheinrich family will provide tacos for dinner. If you would like to provide dinner, please contact Amy Wilson. Please bring a side or dessert to share. All are welcome to join us!

**SIS GUERRANT'S 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY:** Sis Guerrant's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday is May 15. We would like to deliver 100 birthday cards to her from the congregation. Please place your birthday card in the bin in the Fellowship Hall labeled "Sis Guerrant's 100<sup>th</sup>" by this Friday, May 8.

**SOUNDING JOY AND RESONANCE SPRING CONCERT:** The Danville Sings Spring Concert will take place at PresbyDan on Friday, May 8 at 7:30pm. The program - titled *Love, Love? Love!* - will feature Sounding Joy Women's Chorus and Resonance Men's Chorus conducted by Barbara Hall. Admission is free. Donations are welcome.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Registration is now open for VBS 2026:Camp Chaos! VBS will be June 15-18, 5:30-8:30pm. Register by Friday, May 29 to receive a free t-shirt! Registration forms are available in the Fellowship Hall.

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# THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

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## Sunday, May 3

### Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 9:00am Confirmation Class
- 10:00am Service for the Lord's Day with Holy Communion
- 11:00am Graduating Seniors Reception
- 5:30pm DYC at The Presbyterian Church

## Monday, May 4

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 4:00pm Monday Prayer Group

## Tuesday, May 5

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am Recovery Café
- 3:00pm Centre ASP Tutoring
- 6:00pm Girl Scout Troop 7 Brownie Scouts Meeting
- 6:00pm Recovery Meeting
- 7:00pm World Mission Meeting

## Wednesday, May 6

- 7:15am DYC HS Devo at Dry Stack
- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 1:30pm Worship Staff Meeting
- 1:30pm Grace Café Snack Bag Prep
- 3:30pm Beginners Dulcimer Class
- 5:15pm Wednesday Night Fellowship
- 6:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, May 7

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 2:00pm Southwind Group
- 5:30pm Danville Dulcimers
- 6:00pm Danville Community Chorus Spring Concert Rehearsal

## Friday, May 8

- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 9:00am Soup's on Us Prep
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 1:00pm Presbydan Mah Jongg
- 6:00pm Love, Love? Love! Sounding Joy and Resonance Spring Concert

## Saturday, May 9

- 9:00am Soup's on Us
- 9:00am Welcome Home Kentucky Evaluation

## Sunday, May 10

### Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 9:00am Called Session Meeting
- 10:00am Service for the Lord's Day
- 11:00am Fellowship
- 5:30pm DYC at The Presbyterian Church

## SESSION

Moderator: Matt Falco

Clerk: Spencer Young

Clerk Emerita: Jean Harney

### CLASS OF 2027

Becky Gash, Randy Gilbert, Scott Johnson and Tara Strauch

### CLASS OF 2028

Candace Purdom, Scott Scutchfield, Shane Wilson and Spencer Young

### CLASS OF 2029

John Goggin, Fran Halloran, Nina Kirkland and Susan Shewmaker

## DIACONATE

Moderators: Brad Fulfer and Shan Kihlman

Communicator: Claire Johnson

### CLASS of 2027

Brad Fulfer, Carrie Gilbert, Shan Kihlman and AnnYager M<sup>c</sup>Crosky

### CLASS of 2028

Jim Boyd, Paula Frisby, Claire Johnson and Bo Smith

### CLASS of 2029

Miranda Bullock-Davidson, Elspeth Cobb, Julia Gerwe-Nicholson and Mark Tibbles

## COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

### Budget & Finance

Randy Gilbert  
John Goggin  
Shane Wilson

### Facilities

Carrie Gilbert  
Candace Purdom  
Spencer Young

### Local Mission

Scott Scutchfield  
Gayle Waddell

### Membership

Paula Frisby  
Becky Gash  
Carrie Gilbert  
Claire Johnson

### Nominating

Nina Kirkland

### Personnel

Martha Boyd  
Scott Johnson

### Stewardship

Randy Gilbert  
Candace Purdom

### World Mission

Fran Halloran  
Scott Johnson  
Bo Smith

### Worship & Music

Scott Johnson  
Susan Shewmaker  
Tara Strauch