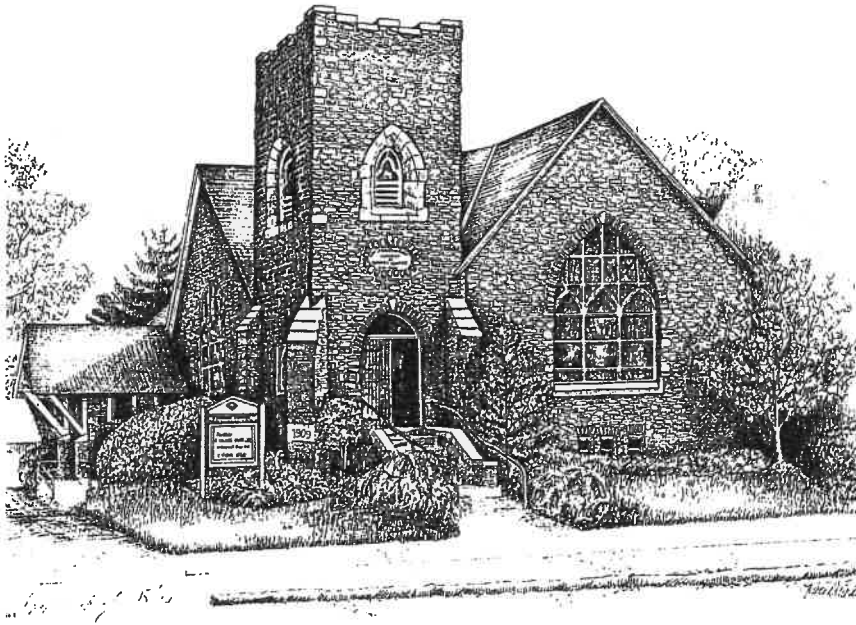


The Presbyterian Church of Kennett Square



**April 26th, 2026
10:30 a.m.**

Taste and see that the Lord is good! Psalm 34:8

For Reflection

“There is more grace in Him than need in you, and you will never exhaust the provision of God.”—David Strain.



Act 1: Creation

Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 145:8-9

Leader:

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People:

The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Hymn: "Rejoice the Lord is King"

Hymn: #58

1 Rejoice the Lord is King
Your Lord and King adore
Rejoice, give thanks and sing
And triumph evermore:

Chorus
Lift up your heart lift up your voice
Rejoice again I say rejoice

2 Jesus the Savior reigns
The God of truth and love
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above: [Chorus]

3 His kingdom cannot fail
He rules o'er earth and heaven
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given: [Chorus]

4 Rejoice in glorious hope
Our Lord the Judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home: [Chorus]

Prayer of Adoration



Act 2: Fall

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, you have mercy upon all—take away from me my sins, and mercifully kindle in me the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away from me the heart of stone, and give me a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you, to follow and to enjoy you, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Silent Confession

Prayer Response: "He is Lord"

He is Lord, He is Lord!
He is risen from the dead, and He is Lord;
Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess,
That Jesus Christ is Lord

He is Life, He is Life!
He has died to set us free, and He is Life;
And He calls us all to live evermore,
For Jesus Christ is Life.



Act 3: Redemption God covers us with Grace

Assurance of Pardon: Nahum 1:7; Psalm 2:12d

The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him!

Greet One Another and Pass the Peace of Christ

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 ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator 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, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will 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 life everlasting. Amen.

Storykeepers Prayer

Leader: What is our hope for these children?

People: That they would know the love of Jesus Christ, trust in his promise, and walk in his ways all their days.

New Testament Reading: John 6:4-13 (Page 1059)

4 Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. 5 Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" 6 He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. 7 Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9 "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. 11 Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. 12 And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." 13 So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten.

Sermon Text: Ruth 2:1-23 (Page 263)

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Future Staked on Grace

Hymn: "Amazing Grace"

Hymnal #429

1 Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

3 The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

4 Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise,
Than when we'd first begun.



Act 4: Renewal: God communes with us

The Lord's Supper

The Lord calls us to himself

His Spirit confirms his word to our hearts

The Lord has prepared mercy for his people

So we come and find refuge in him alone

(The Communion Bread is gluten free.)

Prayers for Those Not Taking Communion

Prayer for Faith: God, in my places of pain, give me your song; in my places of darkness, give me your light; in my places of unbelief, give me faith. Help my unbelief and help me see. Amen.

Prayer Amid Habitual Sin: God, if I have given myself over to sin, making a home for it, please kick the door down and clean my heart. Please forgive me for ways I've sinned against you, others and myself. Free me. I want life, freedom, and the joy of victory. Only through Jesus is this possible. Amen.

Prayer of Belief: Lord Jesus Christ, I accept that I am weaker and more sinful than I dare to admit, but through you I am loved more than I ever dared hope. Thank you for dying for me, taking my place and offering me forgiveness. You've been raised from the dead, so I turn to you, my Redeemer. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer (All)

Holy God, we thank you for filling us with the gift of your son. You have met us in emptiness and shown us your loving kindness in Christ. By your Spirit, you call us into union with him and communion with one another. You have not called us to provide for ourselves, but have given us a place where your grace is found. As you gather us under your wings, keep us from wandering into fields that cannot satisfy. Fix our hearts on you. Teach us to entrust ourselves to you and to walk in your ways—even when we cannot see what lies ahead—trusting that you will not forsake those who take refuge in you.

Prayer of Intercession

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.

Offertory

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

In the Life of the Church

Keystone CFO offers a spiritual retreat experience featuring inspiring worship, insightful teaching, engaging activities, recreational opportunities, delicious meals, and memorable moments with your family and fellow Christians. For more information, please review the brochure at the link below or reach out to Dylan Jacker at jackerdylan4@gmail.com.

Hymn: "He will Hold Me Fast"

1 When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

Chorus

He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

2 Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost
His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast [Chorus]

3 For my life He bled and died
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last [Chorus twice]

Benediction

Prayer Ministry is available in the sanctuary after the service.

Please join us for refreshments in the parlor!

Growth Groups

If you're not currently a part of a growth group, but have interest in learning more, feel free to reach out to the growth group leaders mentioned below.

All are welcome!

- **Sandy Meyer's Growth Group** will be studying and discussing the book of Deuteronomy using a 12-week study by Matthew H. Patton. Our usual dates for gathering together will be the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month, 1-2:30 p.m. If you have any questions, you may contact Sandy at 610-357-0443.
- **Barbara Handy's Growth Group** will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. We will continue our study of "Not Ashamed," Paul's letter to the Roman's by W. Robert Godfrey. Contact Joanne Taylor if you would like to join us at 610-444-0272.
- **Mackenzie Mojica's Growth Group** will be studying the book of John. The group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 6:15-7:30 p.m. in the youth room. Anyone interested in studying the book of John is welcome to join! Childcare will be provided.
- **Liz Lawson's Growth Group** is currently studying "God's Big Picture" by Vaughan Roberts. This group meets twice a month at times that best suit the members. If interested in joining, email Liz at lizlawson98@gmail.com.

Come Pray With Us!

There are two 15-minute online congregational prayer times each week. Please join in on one or both! No registration needed. We meet at 7:15 a.m. on Tuesdays and at 11:45 a.m. on Fridays. Some participants pray out loud, others silently. The following zoom log on details are the same for both meetings:

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