

Mother's Day Litany

To those who gave birth this year to their first child -
We celebrate with you.

To those who are in the trenches with little ones every day and wear the badge of food stains -
We appreciate you.

To those who lost a child this year -
We mourn with you.

To those who are foster moms, mentor moms, and spiritual moms -
We need you.

To those who experienced loss this year through miscarriage, failed adoptions, or running away -
We mourn with you

To those who lived through driving tests, medical tests, and the overall testing of motherhood -
We are better for having you in our midst.

To those who have warm and close relationships with your children -
We celebrate with you.

To those who have disappointment, heart ache, and distance with your children -
We sit with you.

To those who lost their mothers this year -
We grieve with you.

To those who walk the hard path of infertility, and experience tears, and disappointment -
We walk with you. Forgive us when we say foolish things. We don't mean to make this harder than it is.

To those who will have emptier nests in the upcoming year -
We grieve and rejoice with you.

And to those who are pregnant with new life, both expected and surprising -
We anticipate with you.

This Mother's Day, we walk with you. Mothering is not for the faint of heart and we have real, remarkable women in our midst. We remember you.

*Hymn 488..... *I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*

1 "I was there to hear your born - ing cry; I'll be there when
2 "When you heard the won - der of the Word, I was there to
3 "In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no

you are old. I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to
cheer you on. You were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord to
lon - ger young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, com -

see your life un - fold. I was there when you were but a
whom you now be - long. If you find some - one to share your
plete what I've be - gun. When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es

child with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of
time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to
in and you shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as

light you wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell."
make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I have al - ways been with just one more sur - prise."

4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry; I'll be there when you are old.

I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold."

Originally created to accompany a video series on baptism, this hymn speaks in the imagined conversational voice of God, assuring the person being baptized of God's presence throughout the changing stages of life. It offers a reminder that baptism is a once-in-a-lifetime event.

TEXT and MUSIC: John C. Ylvisaker, 1985
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*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Postlude.....*In Christ There Is No East or West*
C.S. LANG

*All Who Are Able Please Stand | + Ushers Will Seat Latecomers



A Service for the Worship of God
May 10, 2026
11:00 AM
Mother's Day



Bob Burroughs 2024

*To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and need comfort,
To all who are lonely and need friendship,
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide its doors
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.*

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Striking of the Hour

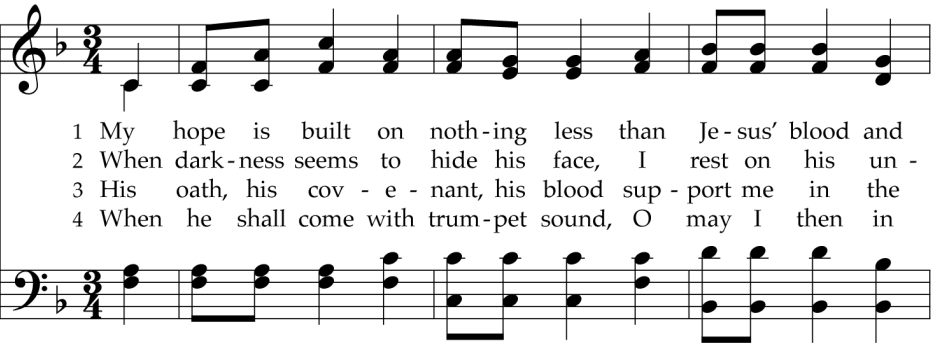
Prelude *O For a World*
J. WILLIAMS GREENE

Choral Introit

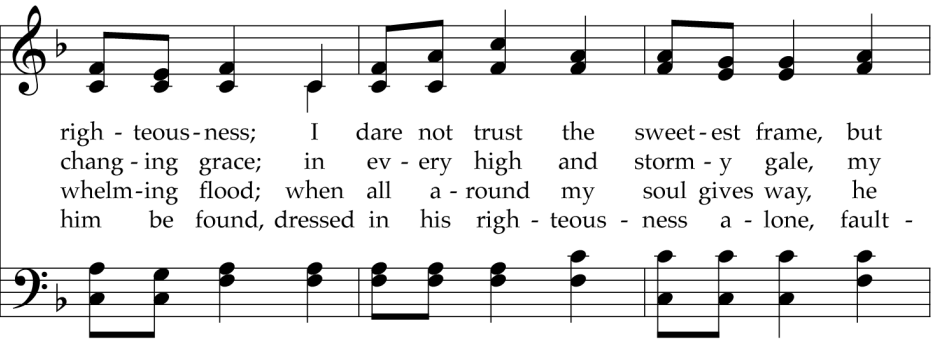
*Welcome & Call to Worship Elder Geneva Baxley

We’ve come to worship God,
Who loved us before we were yet born,
Who knows us even better than we know ourselves,
Whose presence never leaves us,
And whose love for us never ceases.
This is our God.
Let us worship together!

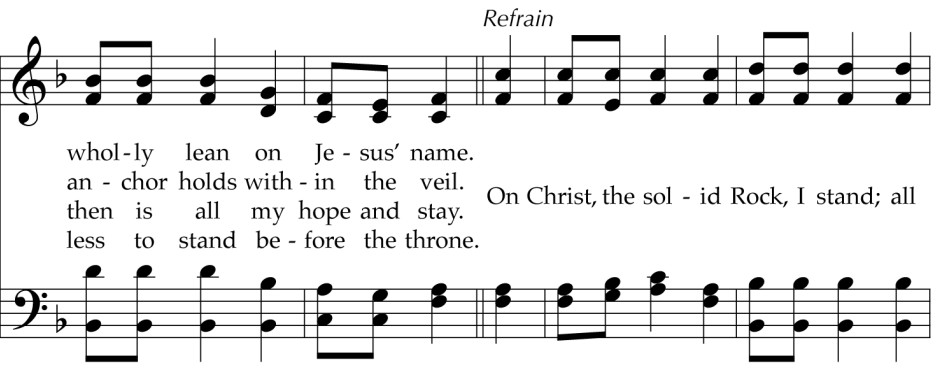
+*Hymn 353 *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*



1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus’ blood and
2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un-
3 His oath, his cov-e-nant, his blood sup-port me in the
4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in



righ-teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
chang-ing grace; in ev-ery high and storm-y gale, my
whelm-ing flood; when all a-round my soul gives way, he
him be found, dressed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, fault-



Refrain
whol-ly lean on Je-sus’ name.
an-chor holds with-in the veil. On Christ, the sol-id Rock, I stand; all
then is all my hope and stay.
less to stand be-fore the throne.



oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us toward your wholeness, that we may be filled with joy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray.
(Let us continue in prayer silently)

Congregational Response

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*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.

Anthem *If Ye Love Me*
Jordan Plair, Music Director THOMAS TALLIS
Lily Cooper, pianist

Children’s Sermon Geneva Baxley
As we sing *Jesus Loves Me*, all children are welcome to come forward.

Passing of the Peace

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds in like to that above.

Psalter Lesson Psalm 66

*Hymn 474 *As A Child Rests*



Refrain
C Am F G
As a child rests in its moth-er’s arms, so will I rest in you.

As a child rests in its moth-er’s arms, so will I rest in you.



C F Em Am Dm C *Fine*
As a child rests in its moth-er’s arms, so will I rest in you.

As a child rests in its moth-er’s arms, so will I rest in you.



G C F Dm *to Refrain*
Esus E

1 My God, I am not proud. I do not look for things too great.
2 My God, I trust in you. You care for me, you give me peace.
3 O Is-rael, trust in God, now and al-ways trust in God.

The image of the resting child in this paraphrase of Psalm 131 seems even more remarkable when this psalm is put in context. It is one of the Songs of Ascent sung by pilgrims on the way to Jerusalem. To be still in God in the midst of such activity is indeed a blessed condition.

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MUSIC: Christopher Walker, 1988 Irregular
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Gospel Lesson..... John 14:15-21

Sermon **I Will Not Leave You**
Dr. Patrick Perryman

*Affirmation of Faith – 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 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.

Pastoral Prayer 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

Giving and Receiving
Offertory.....*Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us*
WILLIAM P. ROWAN

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessing flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:

AWAKENING THE SPIRIT IN US TO BECOME MORE COMPASSIONATE

DAILY AFFIRMATIONS

1. I welcome today with an open and peaceful mind.
2. I am calm, grounded, and in control.
3. I am safe in this moment.
4. I am steady, centered, and strong.
5. I let go of what I cannot control.
6. I am patient with myself and my progress.
7. I am resilient, capable, and calm.
8. I am in charge of my thoughts and my energy.
9. I am optimistic because today is a new day.
10. I am responsible for myself, and I start there.
11. I belong here, and I deserve to take up space.
12. I can be soft in my heart and firm in my boundaries.
13. I honor my body for all that it does for me.
14. I celebrate the good qualities in myself and others.
15. I leave room in my life for spontaneity.
16. I have enough, I do enough, I am enough.
17. I can be fierce, brave and kind at the same time.
18. I have the power to create a life I love.
19. I am capable of figuring this out.
20. I am making progress.
21. My body is beautiful and strong.
22. I am becoming who I was created to be.
23. I believe in myself.
24. I choose to speak to my body with love.
25. I am letting go of what no longer serves me well.
26. I am wealthy in more ways than one.
27. I welcome new opportunities into my life.
28. I am willing to take the first step.
29. I begin today with a clear and peaceful mind.
30. I breathe in strength and breathe out stress.
31. I nourish my body with love and respect.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who join us for worship today. If you are without a church home, you will be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. We are glad you are here! Please like us on Facebook and visit our website at www.firstpresbeaufort.org for sermons, news, and current events.

TODAY THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN by Sharon McElveen and Sandra Myrick in memory of their mother Betty Aimar.



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Please join us
Spring 2026
New Member Class
Sunday, May 17th

12:30-2pm

Lunch will be provided

Childcare provided upon request.

Contact: Geneva Baxley
gbaxley@firstpresbeaufort.org



55 AND UP
and going



Join us for
DINNER & FELLOWSHIP

Lowcountry Produce
302 Carteret St.

Thursday, May 28th
5pm

Parking available at the library. Call Vicki to carpool from FPC.

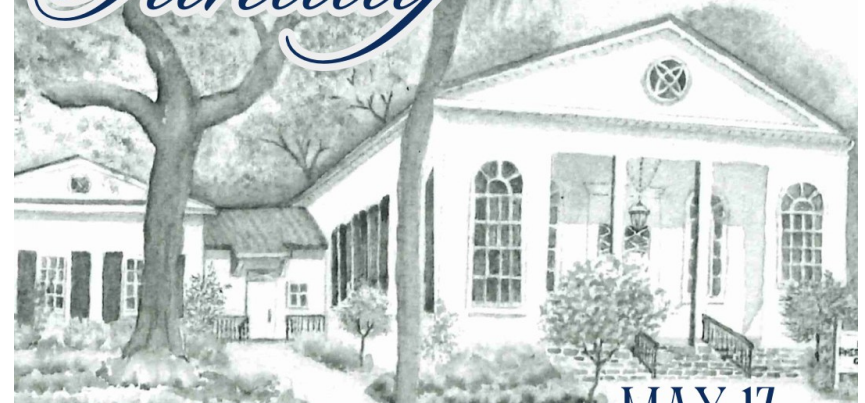
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YOU'RE INVITED TO

YOUTH *Sunday*



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please join us

MAY 17
11AM

for a service led by the FPC Youth!
Following the service there will be a plaza social on the brick patio



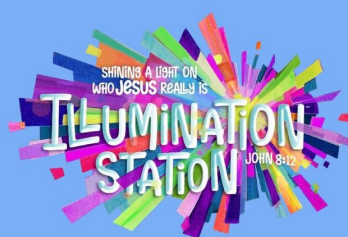
VBS

JUNE 8-12

9AM-12PM

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**SCAN TO READ MORE
AND REGISTER**



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