

# *First Presbyterian Church*

101 South Decatur Street • Strasburg PA 17579

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## **Sunday, May 5, 2024**

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

PASTOR

Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Beth Feiler

ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER

Dr. Bruce Gerlach

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH

Kristin Kondratowksi

DIRECTOR OF CONTEMPORARY MUSIC

Jon Knauss

WORSHIP LEADER/READER

8:30am Alice Eisenhooth

11am Jeff Marsh



**WORSHIP: 8:30am and 11:00am**



Sunday, May 5, 2024

*Welcome!*

8:30am Service

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ANTHEM *"God Be in My Head"* J. Rutter

FIRST SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 8:2-10

SECOND SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:25-34

SERMON *"Giving it Up"* Rev. Doug Friant

\*HYMN *"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"* No. 303

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *"Pastorale on 'He Leadeth Me'"* G. Young

\*DOXOLOGY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Welcome

Distribution

\*ALLELUIA

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *"A Mighty Fortress"* arr. L. Smith

*\*You are invited to stand if you are able during those places in the worship service marked with an asterisk.*

**Sermon Notes**

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Sunday, May 5, 2024

*Welcome!*

11:00am Service

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Greeting and Announcements

Minute for Mission                      PSA                                      Tricia Wilson

\*Praise & Worship                      *Always Good*  
*Same God*  
*God I Look To You*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message                      Beth Feiler

Scripture                                      Deuteronomy 8:2-10  
Matthew 6:25-34

Sermon    "Giving it Up"                                      Rev. Doug Friant

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Offering

\*Praise & Worship                      *God With Us*

\*Benediction

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***Prayer Requests***

*Please keep the following in your prayers.*

Gwen Bortzfield  
Bill Hosker – Recovering at home  
Tim Ott  
Jerry Paparo – Heart surgery May 15<sup>th</sup>  
Janice Kane – The Glen at Willow Valley

*May Deacons of the Month:* Joyce Charles, Heidi Zook-Payne, Tessa Kondratowski  
*In Need of the Prayer Chain?* Please contact the church office at 717-687-6030.



## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, May 5

- 8:30am **Worship** (Classic)  
9:30am **Coffee Hour**  
10am **Sunday School Classes** for all ages  
Children's Sunday School (Grades K - 5) - Rm 12  
Youth Sunday School (Grades 6 - 12) - Youth Room  
Young Adults - Choir Room  
Wired Word - Library  
Young at Heart - Rm 3/4  
11am **Worship** (Modern)  
12pm Prayer Partner Luncheon - FH  
5pm Wings n' Things - "The Tavern" at Springhouse

**IGNITED** - Combined Youth Group • Cinco de Mayo Party: 6 - 8pm • FH

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**Nursery Time:** Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays • 9am - 1pm

### Tuesday, May 7

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|-----|------------------------------|-----|------------------------------|
| 9am | Women's Bible Study - Rm 3/4 | 7pm | Worship Committee - Library  |
| 2pm | Food Pantry                  | 7pm | Women's Bible Study - Rm 3/4 |
| 6pm | CE Meeting - Rm 5            |     |                              |

### Wednesday, May 8

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|------|----------------------------|---------|------------------------------|
| 12pm | Ruth Circle - Rm 3/4       | 6:30 pm | Trustees Meeting - Rm 3/4    |
| 1pm  | Knifty Knitters - Library  | 7pm     | Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room |
| 3pm  | Stitchin' Sisters - Rm 3/4 | 7pm     | Praise Team - Sanctuary      |

### Thursday, May 9

- 6:30am Men's Fellowship & Devotions - Library - Bring your own coffee/breakfast items  
6 pm Bible Study - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>

### Friday, May 10

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| 9am | Toddler Gym - FH | 6pm | Our Table - FH |
| 2pm | Food Pantry      |     |                |

**Please contribute your tithes and offerings using one of the following methods:**

- Place your contribution in the collection plate
- Scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts
- Click the DONATE button on the church web site
- Mail your check to FPCS, 101 St. Decatur Street, Strasburg, PA 17579



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: [www.straspres.org](http://www.straspres.org) under the "Events" tab for current church events and please be sure to like us on Facebook. Children's Church is available for kids K-5<sup>th</sup> grades. Children will go to room 11 after the children's sermon.

*~We are pleased to welcome Rev. Doug Friant as our guest Preacher this Sunday. ~*

**COFFEE HOUR** • Join us today in Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 9:30am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hosts for today: Terry & Jo Ann Sweigart. Volunteers are needed. There are openings in May and thereafter. All volunteers will be reimbursed for their purchases. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please contact Theresa Rineer at 717-682-9954 or email [rineertheresa@yahoo.com](mailto:rineertheresa@yahoo.com). There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you!

**GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION** for the 2024-2025 school year is open! Contact Heather Reynolds, Administrative Director at [hreynolds@straspres.org](mailto:hreynolds@straspres.org) or 717-617-9501, or pick up an application at the church office or the preschool mailbox.

**CLEARANCES:** If you are planning on volunteering to help with any of our children or youth activities then you will need to make sure your clearances are completed. There is a link to the clearances on our church website under "Serve and Connect," or you can see Beth Feiler or Kyle Lainhoff for more information and help on completing the clearances.



**PENTECOST** • Join us in worship on **May 19<sup>th</sup>** and wear red to celebrate the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst.

**MILITARY PERSONNEL:** The Deacons are gathering a list of active and retired military personnel for our records. If you or a family member is currently serving in any branch of the military, please place a note in the church mailbox of either the Deacons or Robin Kendlehart. You can also email Robin at [prkendlehart@gmail.com](mailto:prkendlehart@gmail.com).

If you are retired from any branch of the service, please include the following information using the contact information above.

Name & Branch of Service  
Years of service  
Current address

Thank you for your help in recognizing these brave dedicated men and women.

The Board of Deacons  
Caring Committee

## Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events!

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**TODDLER GYM • Fridays • 9am – 10am (Sept. – May) •** Weekly playtime for ages 1 – kindergarten with their caregivers. This program is free and open to the public. The last day of toddler gym for the school year will be Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. For more information, contact Amy Black at 717-224-3036 or [ablack@straspres.org](mailto:ablack@straspres.org).

**“OUR TABLE” WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY • Every Friday Night Beginning at 6pm •** Got friends? Bring ‘em along! Everyone is welcome at Our Table! The meal is followed by an interactive Bible study, worship songs, and prayer. Eat and run or stay for the fun; we’re just happy you showed up. *There’s always room at Our Table!*

**WINGS & THINGS •** Gather with the men of FPCS for wings, or another dish of your liking **every first Sunday of the month at 5pm**. Our next gathering will be **TODAY, May 5<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm** at **“The Tavern” at Springhouse**.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING WALK/RUN GROUP •** Wednesday mornings (weather permitting) we will meet at the church parking lot at 5:25am and take off at 5:30am sharp. We will embark on 3, one mile loops through town, each loop ending at the church before starting the next. All are welcome! You can walk, run, or both. You can do 1, 2, or all 3 miles and then some! Questions, or to be added to the text message update group please contact Dillon Sickler at 484-467-1587.

**VBS CRAFT DAY •** Come and join the fun of making crafts and decorations for VBS on **Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 9am** in room #5.

**Vacation Bible School: July 14-19:** The registration form can be found on the church website under Learn-Children's Ministry-VBS. Paper copies can be found on the VBS table outside of room #5.



**Memorial Day •** Join First Presbyterian Church on our float in the Memorial Day Parade, May 27<sup>th</sup>. Walk along with us and represent the church. Free hot dogs will follow the parade and service.

**NEXT WEEK ~ MAY 12, 2024**  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER • MOTHER'S DAY**

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture: Proverbs 31:25-31

2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture: Matthew 11: 28-30

SERMON SERIES: MATTHEW: GOSPEL OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Sermon Title: *“Carrying the Yoke of the Lord”*

Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching

## ASSISTANCE CORNER

### CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

- Canned pasta (Spaghetti-O's, Ravioli)
- Canned fruit (mixed, pineapple, peaches)
- Canned meats (chicken, spam)
- Dry Pasta

- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Cereal
- Boxed Macaroni & Cheese



Monetary donations are gladly accepted. Kindly use the envelopes marked FOOD found in the pews. This allows the volunteers to purchase most needed items when our stock is depleted. Thank you for considering this request.



**THE NURSERY** is in need of volunteers for the first and second Sunday services as well as during Sunday School. If able to lend a helping hand, please contact Amy Black at [ablack@straspres.org](mailto:ablack@straspres.org) or 717-224-3036. The sign-up sheet is located on the wall racks by the welcome desk. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you, and consider volunteering monthly! Your help is appreciated!

**NURSERY NEEDS:** The nursery is in need of goldfish crackers, baby wipes and Clorox wipes. Thank you for considering this request!

**USHERS** are needed for both first and second services. Please contact Andrea Petrokonis [petrokonisandrea@gmail.com](mailto:petrokonisandrea@gmail.com) or Wayne Carr [waynec01@comcast.net](mailto:waynec01@comcast.net) if interested.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES:** For the month of May we will be collecting personal care items; hairbrushes, head bands, combs, hair ties, barrettes, toothbrushes, tissue packs, band aides, nail clippers, emery boards, and lip balm. The collection box is outside room #5.



**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to help on Sunday mornings in the Nursery, Children's Church and Sunday School. Please consider and pray about assisting in these rooms and getting to know the awesome children of our church family. There are sign-up sheets located on the wall racks by the welcome desk.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** If you wish to donate items for VBS this year, you can find a "wish list" board on the information table under the TV in the welcome area. Take a fish off the board with a certain item, write your name on the clipboard on the table and bring in your item by May 26th. Please place your items in room #5. There are also still spots available to help if you wish to volunteer. Sign up on the sheet outside room #5.

