



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 17, 2026
7th Sunday of Easter

*Large-print bulletins are available at both entrances to the sanctuary.
Activity bags & bulletins for kids are available in the narthex.*

***Indicates those who are able may stand.**



*The Chancel flowers today are given by Janice Perry,
in loving memory of her parents, Charles & Elizabeth,
on their anniversary.*



All hymns today are in the **RED Hymnal**,
The Worshiping Church, unless otherwise noted.



Welcome & Announcements

Joys & Concerns

Prelude: "The Girl with the Flaxon" *by Debussy*
Fred Heuser, Guitar; Mike Rugge, Piano

We Come Into God's Presence

Call to Worship (L—Leader / P—People)

Psalm 93

L: People of God, the Lord has established the world.

P: Lift us up, O Lord.

L: God is from everlasting to everlasting.

P: Lift us up, O Lord.

L: The floods have lifted up their voice to God.

P: Lift us up, O Lord.

L: The majestic waves of the sea lift up to God.

P: Lift us up, O Lord.

L: Let us lift up our worship to God!

*Gathering Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30AM

28 Seventh Avenue, Haddon Heights, NJ 08035

(856) 547-6139 † www.fpchaddonheights.org

Rev. Eliza C. Jaremko, Pastor

Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music † Mike Rugge, Organist



We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Prayer of Confession (unison)

We pray to you, O Lord, for you intercede for us because we do not know how to pray as we ought. You even hear our sighs, which are too deep for words. Forgive us, when our prayers are filled with empty phrases and meaningless platitudes. Forgive us, when our prayers fail to express our love for you and our neighbors in need. Fill us with your word and grant us a new beginning in you. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

L: Brothers and Sisters, God's promises are trustworthy and true.

P: God gives us peace that surpasses all understanding.

L: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

#807 (Red Hymnal)

*Affirmation of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed, #14

**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;
the third day he rose from the dead;**

**he ascended into heaven and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

We Read and Proclaim God's Word

Time with Our Children

Chancel Choir Anthem: "Praise the Lord"

by Patti Drennan

Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music

First Scripture Lesson

*Hymn: "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

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Second Scripture Lesson

Hymn of Preparation: “Listen to the Word that God Has Spoken”

Listen to the Word that God has spoken;
Listen to the One who is close at hand;
Listen to the voice that began creation;
Listen even if you don't understand.

Sermon: Presented by Rev. Dr. Bruce Main, UrbanPromise

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Alleluia, Alleluia
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People / 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.**

We Go to Live God's Word

*Closing Hymn: “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

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Benediction (unison)

**May the Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent
one from the other.**

Choral Response

L: Our worship together has ended.

P: Now our service begins.

Postlude



PRAYER CONCERNS



Please keep these people in your prayers this week:

The Family & Friends of Kenneth Sichel

- Adin Borden
- Sally Burrough
- Nancy & Bob Celebre
- Donna & John Duca
- Joe & Marie Guerra
- Lorrie Heuser
- Mary Jane Lange
- Sandy Langford
- Barry Longmire
- Evelyn Miraglia
- Carmen Muni
- Dottie Rheinbold
- Michael Sabolcik
- Lynn & Tom Spina
- Deborah Blackiston
- Lauren DeCorte, Sue Hawco's daughter
- Marlowe Muni, Kim & Carmen's grandson
- Steve, friend of Tony Logandro
- Meegan Hussain, friend of the Heusers
- Dick Boyle, brother-in-law of Candace Lowden
- Will Baberick, Polly Mitchell's son
- Elijah Scardilli, grandson of friends of the Hudsons
- Nancy Ruiz, friend of the Hudsons

pray without ceasing

1 Thessalonians 5:17



Greeters

Candace Lowden
& Phil Stick

Deacons

Bill Burrough
Kate Colantonio
Laura Masi

LiveStream

Korey Owens
Erin Gallagher

Counters

Al Andrews
Cheryl Hauske
Carmen Muni

Nursery

Kam Evans
Maria Masi

SS: Adults

Class-led
Room 2

Faith-Walk Class

Pastor Eliza
Nursery

SS: PreK-Grade 2

Kim Tran
Room 3

SS: Grades 3-5

Pam Myers
Room 7

SS: Grades 6-8

Ellie Wyckoff
Room 6

THIS WEEK @ FIRST PRES...

Sunday, May 17

- 9:00am - Kids' Choir Rehearsals
- 9:30am - Sunday School for ALL Ages
- 10:10am - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30am - Worship, Sanctuary & FB Live
- 12 Noon - Confirmation Class, Teen Room

Tuesday, May 19

9:30am - Friendship Circle, Parlor

Wednesday, May 20

11:00am - Adult Bible Study, Zoom

Thursday, May 21

- 6:45pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee 20

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. 1 Jn. 4:16



1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, open - ing to the sun a - bove,
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise,
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er— all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day!
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine.



531 O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

The Lord appeared . . . saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love." Jer. 31:3

1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my wea - ry
2. O Light that fol - lowest all my way, I yield my flick - ering
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not close my
4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not ask to

soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that
torch to thee; my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that
heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and
fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and

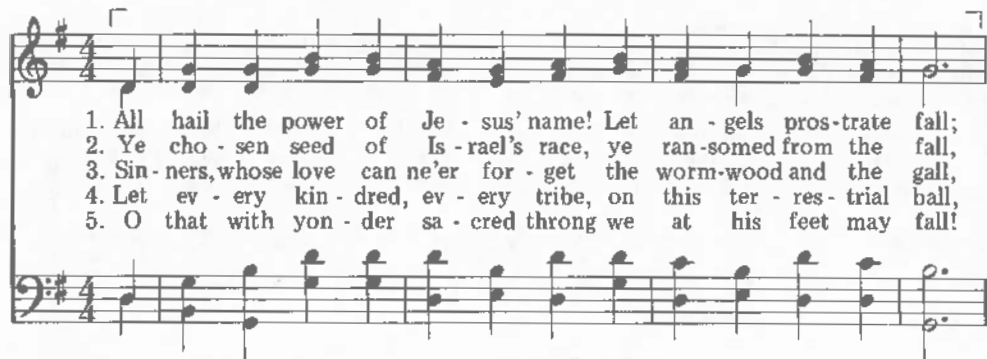
in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.
from the ground there blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

WORDS: George Matheson, 1882
MUSIC: Albert L. Peace, 1884

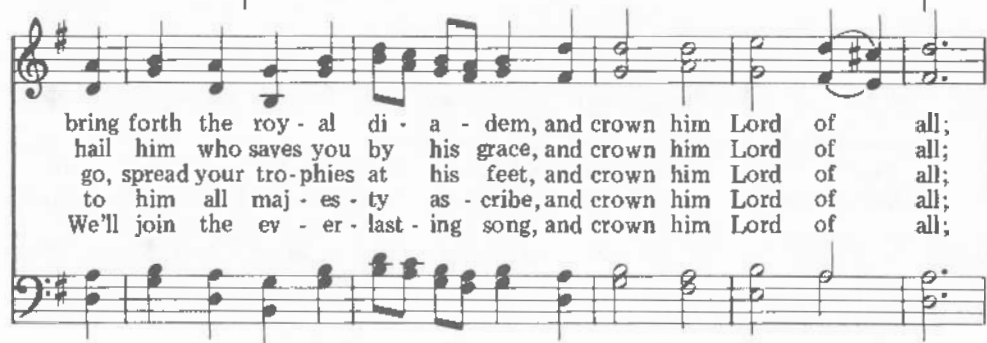
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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name 95

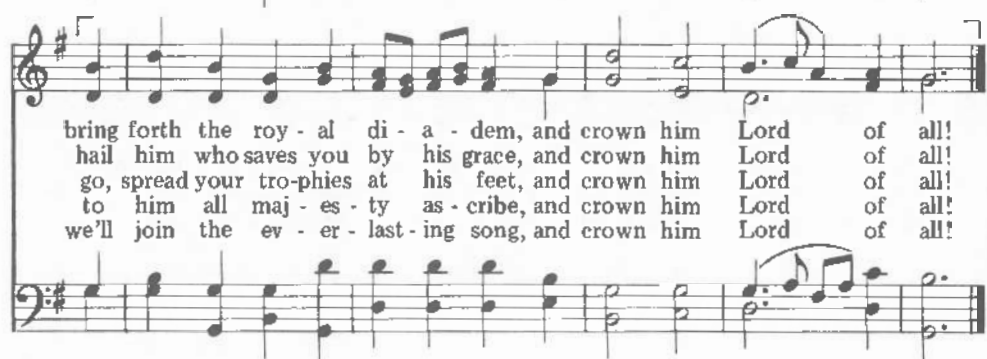
He has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. Rev. 19:16



1. All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2. Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - somed from the fall,
3. Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,
4. Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial ball,
5. O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;
to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all;
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all;



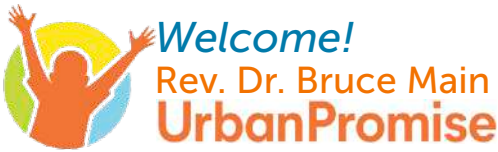
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WORDS: Edward Perronet, 1780; adapt. John Rippon, 1787
MUSIC: Oliver Holden, 1793

CORONATION
C.M. Repeats

Church Announcements

THIS
WEEK
MAY 17



We're thrilled to welcome back Rev. Dr. Bruce Main to our pulpit this morning. Bruce is the president and founder of UrbanPromise, where he established the first summer camp in the city of Camden at the age of 25. Among his many roles, he has served as the visionary creator of UrbanPromise's satellite locations in Wilmington, DE; Miami, FL; Trenton, NJ; Toronto, ON; Birmingham, AL; Charlotte, NC; Copán, Honduras; and Lilongwe, Malawi. Bruce speaks nationally and internationally and has authored several books for both adults and children. A graduate of Azusa Pacific University (BA, Theology), he received his Master's in Theology from Fuller Theological Seminary and his Doctorate of Ministry from Princeton Theological Seminary. Bruce's unique perspective engages congregations & communities through his inspiring messages; his sermons challenge our minds & ignite our passion for serving our community & our Lord. We're grateful for his message today!

Friendship Circle Meets Tuesday

The Friendship Circle will be meeting next **Tuesday, May 19, at 9:30am** in the parlor. They are continuing their study of *Finding Resilience, Joy, & Our Identity in Jesus Christ* by Rhashell D. Hunter. Pat Masi will be presenting the lesson, and Mary Jane Lange will provide the refreshments. Hope you can join them!



Sunday, June 21 after worship
Congregational Meeting
for Program Reports





For May:

Cereal & Oatmeal!



Beginning on June 21, worship on Sunday mornings will begin at 9:30. This traditional change allows congregation members to have more of their day remaining after worship. This worship time will remain in place through Labor Day weekend, September 6.

**Begins
June
21st!**

**SUMMER
WORSHIP
9:30am**

He Is Risen: Meeting Christ in Unexpected Places

Spring Sermon Series 2026

First Presbyterian Church, Haddon Heights

- **April 19:** He Is Risen! We Have Questions Indeed!
 - Luke 24:13-35
- **April 26:** He Is Risen! We Have Doubts Indeed!
 - John 20:19-29
- **May 3:** He Is Risen! We Have Goals Indeed!
 - Matthew 28:16-20
- **May 10:** He Is Risen! We Are Fed Indeed!
 - John 21:1-23
- **May 17:** Welcome UrbanPromise!
 - Founder, Rev. Dr. Bruce Main preaching
- **May 24:** He Is Risen! We Have Risen Indeed!
 - Luke 24:50-53 & Acts 1:1-11
- **May 31:** He Is Risen! We Have A Church Indeed!
 - Acts 2:1-21



Very **Big**
Sunday

& Deacons'
picnic

Sign up now
in the Parlor!

June 7th

Join us as we celebrate our
own **125th Birthday** & our
Nation's **250th Birthday!**

- Outdoor Worship!
- Fellowship!
- Games!
- Submit an entry for the

**Cupcake
Contest!**





UrbanPromise serves more than 500 children and teens each year in Camden, New Jersey. We seek to fulfill our mission through after school programs, summer camps, two private schools, and teen job training and employment, with a focus on experiential learning and well-being. Our programs have inspired replications of 30+ sites around the country and across the globe.

The support of your church, and you personally, helps to ensure that the well-being of our youth continues to be our top priority and they have the opportunity to take part in programs that foster academic, social, and spiritual growth. Thank you for your faithful, loving support!

Donations

UrbanPromise accepts any range of donations. Your generous support allows us to engage hundreds of Camden children and teens each year. Donate at urbanpromiseusa.org/donate or contact UrbanPromise at (856) 382-1877 or donate@urbanpromiseusa.org. You can also give by check by mailing to:

UrbanPromise Ministries
PO Box 1479
Camden, NJ 08105

Youth Sponsorships

Sponsors have the opportunity to direct their giving to a program that meets their interest and giving level. As part of your sponsorship, you will receive updates and impact reports about the program you support.

- ◆ **Child** - \$30/month or \$360/year
- ◆ **Teen** - \$42/month or \$500/year
- ◆ **Wellness Care for a Child** - \$75/month or \$900/year
- ◆ **Trekker** - \$150/month or \$1,800/year

