



*April 26, 2026
Creation Care Sunday*

*“The heavens proclaim
the glory of God.”*

Psalm 19:1 NLT

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Trio

Archer

Welcome

Call to Worship

Every good and perfect gift comes to us from God.

Thanks be to God for the beauty and diversity of creation.

Thanks be to God for our ancestors of faith.

Thanks be to God for loving families and encouraging friends.

Thanks be to God for meaningful work.

Thanks be to God for the variety of talents within the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God for freedom of conscience, speech, and worship.

Thanks be to God for calling us to covenant relationship.

All: With thankful hearts let us worship and praise the Lord our God!

Songs of Praise

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

#551

“This Is My Father’s World”

#21

“Indescribable”

L. Story et al.

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, giver of all good things, we have failed to live in thanksgiving for earth, for our families, for neighbors, and for strangers, for the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the soil that grows our food. Forgive us for our sins against you, your creation, and one another, through disobedience to your will in word and deed. Teach us to seek your holy way and to be happy in your steadfast love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

Passing of the Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Proclaiming the Word

Scripture Reading

James 3:1-12

Martha Bell

Time for Young Disciples

Barb and Bob Pappas

Scripture Reading

Psalm 19

Sermon

“Preserving God’s Handiwork”

Pastor Matt

Responding to the Word

Hymn of Response

“When Morning Gilds the Sky”

#372

Offering

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

#958

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Installation/Ordination of Elders and Deacons *(11 am)*

Pat Hyden (Elder)

Bret & Diane Curtis, Josie Davis, Vee Canning (Deacons)

Prayers of the People

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.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

Closing Hymn

"Earth and All Stars"

#271

Benediction

Postlude

Adagio

Mendelssohn

Leading in Today's Service

Worship Leaders: Pastor Matt, Michael Rivers, Martha Bell

Pianist/Organist: Anna Nichols

Worship Music Team (varies): Beverly Brown, Jim Buckmaster, Pam Carnahan, Jody Cox, Iantha Frazer

Media Team (varies): Ruth Brown, Wayne Brown, Dan Cobb, Jody Cox, Bret Curtis, Dona Hair, Michele Haworth, Todd Haworth, Bonnie McCloskey, Bruce McCloskey, Barb Pappas, Bob Pappas, Dorita Reed, Paul Stutesman, Mark Wendt

Slides: Lauren Corder, Cathi Hughes

Slideshow this week: Easter at FPCPA Part II

Last week's attendance: 8:30 57, 11:00 41, online 19

Next Week's Worship, Sunday, May 3, 2026, Fifth Sunday of Easter

Psalm 146, *Luke 20:45-21:4; "On Power"; Pastor Matt will be preaching.

Jesus offers a scathing critique of the wealthy (in this case, scribes), accusing them of obtaining their wealth and status on the backs of those whom they have ignored, oppressed, and marginalized. As he is speaking, he notices a poor widow depositing two small coins in the temple treasury and points out that her offering, given out of her poverty, is the greatest gift. His lesson seems straightforward enough, yet we still gravitate toward the rich and powerful over the meek and humble. Why is this?

Announcements for the Week, April 26 - May 3

Worship, today, 8:30 and 11 am; *Adult Sunday School & Children's Sunday School*, 9:45 am

Banner Work Party, today, between services, Downstairs Classroom

Special Session/Deacons Meeting, today, 12:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Praise Team, Monday, April 27, 5:45 pm, Sanctuary

Fish Co., Tuesday, April 28, 8 am, Zoom

Men's Breakfast Group, Wednesday, April 29, 9 am, Fairmount Diner

Women's Bible Study, Wednesday, April 29, 10 am, Upstairs Classroom

Worship, Sunday, May 3, 8:30 and 11 am; *Adult Sunday School & Children's Sunday School*, 9:45 am

Banner Work Party, Sunday, May 3, between services, Downstairs Classroom

Membership Reception (formerly "Lunch with Leaders") Sunday, May 3, 12 pm, Fellowship Hall

Nursery care is available during the 8:30 am service.

Hearing assist technology is available. Please ask an usher for information.

We are a people rooted in the love of Jesus—a tapestry woven together by threads of faith, grace, and relationship. We are a safe place to worship God, grow in the Spirit, and engage with God's Word. We live out our faith by serving and supporting others. Here you will be embraced, encouraged, and empowered wherever you are on your walk of faith.

Everyone is welcome!

Join us in the call of Jesus: "Come and see."

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