



First United

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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JULY 26, 2026

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & FRAMING

*HYMN

#635- *Laudate Dominum*

***Sing, praise, and bless the Lord. Sing, praise, and bless the Lord.
Peoples! Nations! Alleluia!
Sing, praise, and bless the Lord. Sing, praise, and bless the Lord.
Peoples! Nations! Alleluia!***

***Laudate Dominum, Laudate Dominum, omnes gentes, alleluia!
Laudate Dominum, Laudate Dominum, omnes gentes, alleluia!***

CONTEMPLATIVE CONFESSION

*HYMN

#814- *In God Alone*

***In God alone my soul can find rest and peace,
in God my peace and joy.
Only in God my soul can find its rest,
find its rest and peace.***

***Mon âme se repose en paix sur Dieu seul:
de lui vient mon salut.
Oui, sur Dieu seul mon âme se repose,
se repose en paix***

PEACE

*SUNG PRAYER FOR
ILLUMINATION

#466- *Come and Fill Our Hearts*

***Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!***

***Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus.
Confitemini Domino. Alleluia!***

SCRIPTURE

James 1:5-21

READING

“How Good it Is to Center Down!”

from Howard Thurman's *Meditations of the Heart*

SILENCE

PRAYER REFRAIN

#471- *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

***O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name,
thy kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and
the glory, forever. Amen.**

CANDLE LIGHTING

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

*An offering plate will be passed during the service,
or you may give online through Tithe.ly: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1309305>
Please note where you would like your gift to be directed (general fund, deacons, etc.)*

OFFERTORY

#654- *In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful*

***In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God; do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.
Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God of unending gifts, we praise you for your abundant goodness. As
you are generous, we want to be generous too. May the gifts we bring
extend your generosity into the world, so that all people may be made
whole by your goodness and grace. Amen.**

*HYMN

#544- *Bless the Lord*

***Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life***

*BLESSING

SENDING MUSIC



Preacher: Rev. Marranda Major
Guest Organist: Andy Abolafia
Onscreen Visuals: Charlotte Albertin, Martha Juenger,
and Jim Parmelee
Audiovisual Production: Jim Parmelee