# FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025 ~ MORNING WORSHIP

King David wrote, "Surely goodness and lovingkindness will follow me all the days of my life, And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever." (Psalms 23:6) Is that your joy this day? Do you know that God has been and will be good to you all the days of this life? And are you mindful that it will be our glory and delight to give praise in His presence forever? Let us join our hearts in a foretaste of the indescribable majesty that we will celebrate and enjoy one day.

**Welcome and Announcements** 

Pastor Marty Martin

Introit

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Call to Worship

Psalm 136:1-4

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, For His lovingkindness is everlasting. Give thanks to the God of gods, For His lovingkindness is everlasting. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, For His lovingkindness is everlasting. To Him who alone does great wonders, For His lovingkindness is everlasting:

**§ Psalm** 

Give to Our God Immoral Praise stanzas 1, 3, 5, & 6

No. 3

§ Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Andrew Newman

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Joel 2:1-17

Blow a trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm on My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming; surely it is near, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness. As the dawn is spread over the mountains, sot here is a great and mighty people; there has never been anything like it, nor will there be again after it to the years of many generations. A fire consumes before them and behind them a flame burns. The land is like the garden of Eden before them but a desolate wilderness behind them, and nothing at all escapes them. Their appearance is like the appearance of horses; and like war horses, so they run. With a noise as of chariots they leap on the tops of the mountains, like the crackling of a flame of fire consuming the stubble, like a mighty people arranged for battle. Before them the people are in anguish; all faces turn pale. They run like mighty men, they climb the wall like soldiers; and they each march in line, nor do they deviate from their paths. They do not crowd each other, they march everyone in his path; when they burst through the defenses, they do not break ranks. They rush on the city, they run on the wall; they climb into the houses, they enter through the windows like a thief. Before them the earth quakes, the heavens tremble, the sun and the moon grow dark and the stars lose their brightness. The LORD utters His voice before His army; surely His camp is very great, for strong is he who carries out His word. The day of the LORD is indeed great and very awesome, and who can endure it? "Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, weeping and mourning; and rend your heart and not your garments." Now return to the LORD your God, for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger,

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abounding in lovingkindness and relenting of evil. Who knows whether He will not turn and relent and leave a blessing behind Him, even a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? Blow a trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, proclaim a solemn assembly, gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and the nursing infants. Let the bridegroom come out of his room and the bride out of her bridal chamber. Let the priests, the LORD's ministers, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD, and do not make Your inheritance a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they among the peoples say, 'Where is their God?'"

§ Hymn

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

No. 318

#### **Worship through Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory** This Is the Day the Lord Has Made

This is the day that the Lord has made, and I will be exceeding glad! This is the day the Lord has made, and I will be exceeding glad! This is the day that the Lord has made, and I will sing my Maker's praise! This is the day the Lord has made; I will rejoice and give God praise!

Who is like unto our God the Lord, strong and mighty? Who is like unto our God who reigns above in glorious splendor?

You are the Rose of Sharon, the Lover of my soul. You are my heart's Desire; my soul implores me to exalt your holy name. Your name is music unto my ears; and I must sing of the great love you've shown to me because my heart will not be still.

#### **Prayer of Petition and Supplication**

Pastor Martin

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§ Hymn

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak No. 561

**Scripture Reading** 

II Peter 1:5-11

<sup>5</sup>Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, <sup>6</sup> and in your knowledge, self-control, and in your selfcontrol, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, <sup>7</sup> and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love. <sup>8</sup>For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For he who lacks these qualities is blind or short-sighted, having forgotten his purification from his former sins. <sup>10</sup>Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; <sup>17</sup> for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

#### **Proclamation of God's Word**

Pastor Martin

Practical Growth in Grace

§ Hymn Come, We That Love the Lord No. 700

§ Benediction

§ Corporate "Amen"

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#### **EVENING WORSHIP**

Call to Worship

Psalm 107:1-3, 15-16

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, For His lovingkindness is everlasting. Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the adversary And gathered from the lands. From the east and from the west. From the north and from the south. Let them give thanks to the LORD for His lovingkindness, And for His wonders to the sons of men! For He has shattered gates of bronze

§ Psalm

§ Hymn

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above stanzas 1. 2. 5. & 6

No. 4

§ Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Mr. Greg Horsky

**Old Testament Reading** 

Proverbs 10:1-16

The Beatitudes stanzas 1, 2, 3, 4, & 8

And cut bars of iron asunder.

No. 527

#### **Worship through Tithes and Offerings**

Offertory

How Deep the Father's Love for Us Cathy Lawton, piano

Prayer of Confession, Petition, and Intercession

Mr. Horsky

§ Hymn

O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart's Desire

No. 161

**Scripture Reading** 

John 5:31-47

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<sup>31</sup>"If I alone testify about Myself, My testimony is not true. <sup>32</sup>There is another who testifies of Me, and I know that the testimony which He gives about Me is true.

<sup>33</sup>You have sent to John, and he has testified to the truth. <sup>34</sup>But the testimony which I receive is not from man, but I say these things so that you may be saved. <sup>35</sup>He was the lamp that was burning and was shining and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light.

<sup>36</sup>But the testimony which I have is greater than the testimony of John; for the works which the Father has given Me to accomplish—the very works that I do testify about Me, that the Father has sent Me.

And the Father who sent Me, He has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time nor seen His form. <sup>38</sup>You do not have His word abiding in you, for you do not believe Him whom He sent.

<sup>9</sup>You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life: it is these that testify about Me; <sup>40</sup> and you are unwilling to come to Me so that you may have life. <sup>41</sup>I do not receive glory from men; <sup>42</sup>but I know you, that you do not have the love of God in yourselves. <sup>43</sup>I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, you will receive him. <sup>44</sup>How can vou believe, when you receive glory from one another and you do not seek the glory that is from the one and only God? <sup>45</sup>Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; the one who accuses you is Moses, in whom you have set your hope. <sup>46</sup>For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me, for he wrote about Me. <sup>47</sup>But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?"

#### **Proclamation of God's Word**

Pastor Marty Martin

Multiple Witnesses to Jesus

Christ Shall Have Dominion § Hymn stanzas 1, 2, & 4

No. 439

§ Benediction

#### May 11, 2025—Nursery Schedule:

11:00 AM Infant Nursery: Neil & Brittany Reini; Alternate: Angie Frengel 11:00 AM Toddler Nursery: Angie Pyc & Marijke Alford 6:00 PM Evening Nursery: Heather Nossaman & Evalee Allman

#### May 18, 2025—Nursery Schedule:

11:00 AM Iniant Nursery: Ryan Piller & Sandy Waugh; Alternate: Cindy Worley
11:00 AM Toddler Nursery: Alex & Zoe Brandenburg
6:00 PM Evening Nursery: Kim & Don Beret

Questions? Contact nursery@fellowshippres.org.

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#### THE SESSION:

Teaching Elder: Pastor Martin H. Martin Ruling Elders: Craig Bouvier, Terry Richards, Tim Taylor, Jeff Wayne, Sr. Elder of the Month: Jeff Wayne, Sr.

#### THE DIACONATE:

Deacons: Pat DeJong, Jared Farquhar, Dave Frengel, Brian Medlin, Kelly Peterson, Philip Triplett Deacon of the Week: Pat DeJong

ASSISTANT PASTOR: Pastor Andrew Newman

COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL CARE: Pastor Peter Spink

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES: Steve Lawton

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: Jeff Wayne, Sr.

CHURCH INTERN: Greg Horsky

#### ACCOMPANISTS:

Piano, Beverly Brouwer and Cathy Lawton; Organ, Sheryl Farguhar

#### MISSIONARIES & BENEVOLENCE MINISTRIES:

Rev. & Mrs. Albert Kona—Albania Rev & Mrs. Alonzo Ramirez—Peru Rev. & Mrs. Todd Crusey—London Rev. & Mrs. John Blevins—NW Knoxville Rev. & Mrs. Mikael Romer—Poland/ Ukraine Greenville Theological Seminary Greer Community Ministries Rev. & Mrs. Mark Kuo—Taiwan Rev. & Mrs. Gary Watanabe—Tokyo Rev. & Mrs. Rob Hamby—Daniel Island Rev & Mrs. Miguel D'Azevedo—Okinawa Rev. & Mrs. Vinicius Pimentel—Brazil Gospel Reformation Network Covenant College

#### **April 2025 General Fund Summary\***

<u>Date</u>: Apr 2025 Jul 2024—Apr 2025

Miracle Hill Ministries

General Fund Giving: \$44,583.17 \$564,709.28 General Fund Expenses: \$46,241.54

General Fund Net Total: (\$1,658.37) \$28,569.40

\$564,709.28 \$536,139.88 Building Fund Total as of 7/01/2024: \$564,189.29 Building Fund Total as of 4/30/2025: \$745.171.76

\*For a full Financial Report, please contact the church office or speak to an Officer.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pew Cards:** If you are new to Fellowship, please help us get to know you by filling out a pew card and dropping it in the offering plate. ~Thank you!

## Wednesday Night Supper & Service

5:30 PM: Catered Supper—\$3.50/ adult (ages 11 & up); \$2.50/child (ages 10 & under): \$15 max/family: sign-up is required.

\*Please indicate on a pew card the number of adults & children attending this week's supper; the menu is pizza, salad, and dessert. Food is served until 6:10 pm.

6:00 PM: High Point (youth), meets in the sanctuary 6:30 PM: Devotional & Prayer Time (adults); Catechism (children)

#### Summer Supper Clubs: June—July—August 2025!

Couples and individuals may sign up now (in the narthex or online under the "Women's Ministry" page) to be assigned to a supper club that will meet once a month during June, July, and August. Meeting times and places are determined by each group. This is a great way to get to know new people or deepen existing relationships. Please contact Becky Taylor for questions or more information. **Deadline to sign up is May 18.** 

#### The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated Sunday, May 18, during evening worship.

Reminder: Wine is in the tinted cups; grape juice is in the clear cups; the unleavened bread in the center cups is gluten and dairy free.

Lord's Day Prayer Group, Sundays, 9:30 am; all are welcome.

#### Adult Sunday School classes, 10:00 am:

- -Christian Parenting, meeting in the Fellowship Hall
- -Parables of Jesus, meeting in the Sanctuary

#### Youth Teaching & Events:

- -Sunday School, 10:00 am: Biblical Relationships
- -Wednesdays, High Point, 6:00 pm: Westminster Larger Catechism

**Women's Summer Studies:** More information/ sign-ups available in the narthex; **sign-up deadline is today.** 

- <u>-Courage: Fighting Fear with Fear</u>, by Wayne Mack, led by Cindy Worley, Thursday evenings
- -Chosen by God, by RC Sproul, led by Becky Taylor, Tuesday evenings
- -Proverbs, by Lydia Brownback, led by Shery Farguhar & Sandy Waugh, Thursday mornings

Ladies, you are invited to a a Baby Shower in honor of Lydia Yates (& son!)  $\sim$  Saturday, June 7, at 11:00 am.

Men's Bible Study (Romans), Thursday, <u>May 22</u>, 7:00 pm, at Kirk Alford's home (308 N Miller St, Greer).

**VBS—UPWARD BOUND: Monday, June 16—Friday, June 20.** If you have children (K-4 through grade 6 completed), and wish to register them, please visit <u>fellowshippres.org/2025-vbs-upwardbound</u> (expeditions are filling up!). Contact Sheryl Farguhar for more information.

# Sunday Evening, June 1—Graduation Picnic Supper

Plan to join us Sunday, June 1, following evening worship, for a picnic supper in honor of our graduates!

Please sign-up online (fellowshippres.org/calendar) or in the narthex, to bring a tray of sliders, sandwiches or wraps; pasta, potato or broccoli salad; fruit or dessert ~Thank you!



# FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (PCA)

May 11, 2025

Our purpose is to glorify the Triune God by reconciling the lost to Him through faith in Jesus Christ and equipping the saints to serve Him in every area of life.

2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Matthew 28:19-20