

Prelude "Alleluia! Alleluia!" (EBENEZER) arr. Gordon Young

Welcome and Announcements Rev. H. Neely Gaston, DD

May Birthdays "Happy Birthday to You" (sing "Dear Friends") Patty and Mildred Hill

Call to Worship

Because He Himself suffered when He was tempted, He is able to help us when we are tempted.

Lord Jesus, we look to You—our Helper and our Strength.

You know our weakness, You understand our struggles, and You stand with us in every trial.

Keep us faithful. Hold us steady. Help us overcome.

Christ our Savior, You are able to help us when we are tempted.

We worship You with confidence and trust.

***Trinity Hymnal 283** "Alleluia! Alleluia" EBENEZER

*Invocation

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.

Trinity Hymnal, 674 "I Need Thee Every Hour" (v. 1, 2) NEED

Psalter Reading Psalm 141 (*Trinity Hymnal*, pages 836-837)

Apostles' Creed

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; and the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *universal or world-wide

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" [TH 734] MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen

Children's Sermon

Prayer

Preparation (all sing once)

"Spirit of the Living God" (*Trinity Hymnal*, 726)

IVERSON

"Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me!

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me."

Silence

Prayer

Offertory

"In His Holy Temple"

Ellen Jane Lorenz

*Doxology

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" [TH 731]

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer

Scripture

Hebrews 2:14-18 ESV

¹⁴ Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶ For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Sermon

"He Is Able"

Prayer

***Bible Songs, 200** "Glad Tidings of Salvation" DUKE STREET

*Prayer

*Benediction

***Postlude** "Praise Ye the Father" Charles Gounod / arr. Dorothy Wells

Announcements May 3, 2026

Deacons meet today following worship.

Our VBS volunteers will have a planning meeting this afternoon at 3:00 p.m.

Children's Social at Richburg Park May 24th from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Joe Gordon will do a Concealed Weapons Class for church members on May 30th beginning at 8:00 a.m. and will go to the range at 2:00 p.m.

We are planning to have VBS here on Friday, June 5th and Saturday, June 6th from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be served both days. Attendees are invited to join us for worship Sunday, June 7th. We will have lunch following worship. There is a sign-up sheet for children and volunteers on the hall table.

Please pick up an updated copy of our green Church Directory (in vestibule and on hall desk).

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, May 6

5:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 7 (National Day of Prayer)

Arrive between 5:30-6:00 to load grill

7:00 a.m. – 7:30 Breakfast for volunteers

8:00 a.m. – Fill BBQ sauce & bean cups

Between 3:00-4:00 begin preparing meat

About 5:00 begin cleaning grill

No Scouts

Friday, May 8 (Teacher Appreciation BBQ Lunch)

7:00 a. m – Breakfast for volunteers

7:30 a.m. Begin filling boxes for delivery

Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 1 – Libby Gaston (Joe)	May 23 – Andy & Sandy Bennett
May 8 – Scott & Kathy Rishebarger	May 24 – Ann Simpson
May 10 – Lyn Gaston	May 25 – Reid Carrico
May 10 – Scott Rishebarger	May 26 – Rob Dodson
May 11 – Kathy Rishebarger	May 26 – Pete & Mary Beth Burton
May 14 – Alissa Smith	May 27 – Marley Blair
May 14 – Archer Graybill	May 27 – Mark & Debbie Bennett
May 20 – Nancy Bailey	

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Order of Worship
Sunday, May 3, 2026
The Fifth Sunday of Easter



Welcome in the name of Christ to all who gather for worship at Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. As you join us for worship, we hope that you will sense God's presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God's Word, and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. If you do not have a church home in this community, we encourage you to consider uniting with us in our work and worship.