

"Breakfast with the King." by Matt Philleo

# Sunday May 4, 2025

# 3rd Sunday of Easter / Communion

# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of BELLA VISTA

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AUDIO/VISUAL Tom Hackleman, Steve Little, Jim Watson

# A SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

An asterisk (\*) indicates that those who are able may stand; **Bold type** — please respond in unison.

#### WE GATHER AND PREPARE OUR HEARTS

#### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Blessed Quietness"

Sarah Douglas

CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on Psalm 30)

You have turned our mourning into dancing; You have taken off our sackcloth and clothed us with joy. Our souls may praise you and not be silent; O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

\*HYMN #462

"I Love to Tell the Story"

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Occasionally, God invites us into confession and repentance with a blinding light from the heavens. But often, God invites us into relationship over a humble cookfire. Let us illumine our lives using this prayer of confession.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God, we know that your throne is surrounded by the voices of many angels and that you are worshiped by the multitudes of the heavenly host, but we so often fail to join in their "amen." We do not fall down and worship you as we know we should. We are distracted by our catch, by our high priests, by our mourning, and our doubts. Show yourself to us anew and give us the faith to cast our nets in other waters. Strengthen us to worship you alone, even when we are in the depths of the pit.

(Moment of silence for personal confession)

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** (from Psalm 30)

The Lord's anger is but for a moment. God's favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

#### 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.

All: And also with you.

(Please take this opportunity to share the sign of "peace" to those around you.)

#### \*GLORIA PATRI #581

#### WE ENCOUNTER THE WORD

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

John 21:1-8

21 After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup> Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup> Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup> He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup> That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he had taken it off, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup> But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

#### **RESPONSIVE READING**

Psalm 90:13-17

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Turn, O LORD! How Long? Have compassion on your servants!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us and as many years as we have seen evil.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>Let your work be manifest to your servants and your glorious power to their children.

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper for us the work of our hands—O prosper the work of our hands!

#### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 21:9-19

<sup>9</sup>When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them, and though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them.

and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup> This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup> When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup> A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup> He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup> Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." <sup>19</sup> (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

In the reading and hearing of your Word, O God, remove the scales from our eyes that we may see your works and know your ways.

**SERMON** 

# "Feed My Sheep More Than Sweets"

Rev. Dr. Judi McMillan

#### WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

\*HYMN #460

"Break Though the Bread of Life"

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from The Confession of 1967, gendered language modified)

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for people when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to people, moves them to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

#### 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.

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Jesus invites us to bring what we have to the feast. With gratitude for God's provisions and assured of our place at Christ's table, we respond with generosity.

"Trust In the Lord"

OFFERTORY

D. Callender

\*DOXOLOGY #606

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, you have filled our nets to bursting. Empower us to use these gifts for the sustenance of your creation, and to follow them where they go. Amen.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

# INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE AND PRAYER BREAKING OF BREAD AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### WE GO FORTH TO MINISTER

#### **INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*HYMN #451

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

\*CHARGE & BLESSING

\*GOING FORTH #408

"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit" (v.1)

\*POSTLUDE

"Come Let Us Sing"

David Paxton



# Weekly Vista

#### WELCOME!

We hope you will find your time of worship with us to be very meaningful. We are an open faith community.

Please visit
www.pcbv.org, or call
the Church Office at
855-2390 if you
would like to learn
more about us and
inquire about
membership.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

MON-THURS: 9 am to 3 pm FRIDAY: CLOSED

For pastoral
emergencies, please
call or text Pastor Judi
at 479-403-9082.
Pastor's day off is
Friday, she will return
calls later. To schedule
an in-person
appointment, please
email her at
jmcmillan@pcbv.org
stating your need.

Deacons on Call for May: Frank Taylor Alice Irwin 4/27/2025 Attendance: Members & Friends: 65 Visitors: 12 Online: 28



You are invited to refreshments and a time of fellowship after the service.

Flowers today are given by Donna and Jim Ramey in Honor of their grandchildren: Emily, Grace, Logan and Alexander.

GRAND(HILDREN ARE

\*\*\* LIKE FLOWERS \*\*\*

YOU NEVER GET TIRED

OF WAT(HING THEM GROW

Next Sunday is "Gifts of Women" Sunday - Please join us for a celebration of the Women in our church!



#### BIRTHDAYS

May 3 Harlan Freerks

May 6 Virg Halgrim

May 10 Ruth Cozad

#### CALENDAR

#### Sunday, May 4

9:00am Christian Ed Class 10:00am Worship(Communion and Home Communion) 11am-12pm Fellowship Time (F/H)

#### Monday, May 5 NO EVENTS

#### Tuesday, May 6

9am-3pm—Outdoor Grounds Clean-up Day! 10:30am-1pm—Writing Group (P) 5:30pm Men's AA (A)

#### Wednesday, May 7

9:30am Deacon's (A) 3-4pm Congregational Life (C) 5:00pm Chancel Bells 6:00pm Chancel Choir

#### Thursday, May 8

12-2pm PW Luncheon & Meeting (F/H)

#### Friday, May 9

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 1:00pm Busy Hands (Lobby)

#### Saturday, May 10

8am-12pm Art Club(F/H) 9am-Stated Session (A)

#### Sunday, May TI

9:00am Christian Ed Class 10:00am Worship( Gifts of Women Sunday) Tlam-12pm Fellowship Time (F/H) This Tuesday come help clean up the church grounds— 9am—3pm. Bring tools!



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## **Celebrate National Music Week**



# "Something for Everyone"

Concert presented by Andante Music Club of Bella Vista featuring award-winning musicians

Bella Vista Mayor John Flynn will present Proclamation of National Music Week to Andante Music Club

Raquel King, soprano
Daniel Fry, pianist
Marilyn Lee, organist
Ellen Stephenson, composer
& pianist
Vicky Shutters, singer

Rebecca Harrold, singer & pianist Garth Smith, pianist & arranger Mattie Hirst, singer Junior Festival Winners, Two Vioinists, One Pianist

National Federation of Music Clubs 2025 Theme Music...is Unstoppable

#### Public is invited to Free Music Concert

Tuesday, May 6, 6:30 p.m.
First United Methodist Church of Bella Vista
20 Boyce Drive, Bella Vista, AR

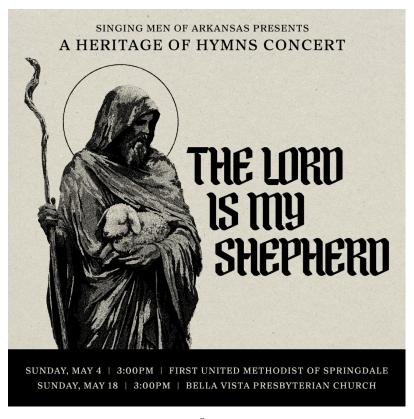
Andante Music Club of Bella Vista is associated with the National Federation of Music Clubs and the Arkansas Federation of Music Clubs

Visit our website: andantemusicclub.org

A big shout out to Pastor Judi, Dorothy Margve, and Gina Nida who rode 36 miles in the UCM Bike Ride. Thank you for all who donated to their ride. We raised \$760.

The Singing Men of Arkansas will be back in our sanctuary on May 18th. Concert starts of 3pm!

Please put this on your calendar to come hear Bud Clark and the rest of the men sing.

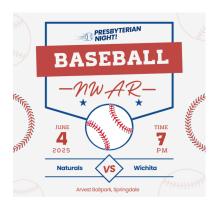


## Presbytery of Arkansas/Travelers Baseball Night 2025

Friday, May 30th, is Presbyterian night at the ballpark when the Arkansas Travelers play the San Antonio Missions at Dickey-Stephens Park in North Little Rock. A picnic dinner will be served from 6:05 to 8:05 p.m. in the Club Car area across the walkway from our seats. Burgers, brats, chips, beans, popcorn, and drinks will be served. The first pitch is at 7:05 p.m., and there will be post-game fireworks. As long as the temperature is above 75 degrees, the splash pad will be available at no additional cost for children in the 5th grade and younger. You must register below how many children you will have in order for us to get splashpad bracelets for them. The total cost is \$20 per person (all ages). The registration form can be found at the website below and must be completed by Friday, May 16, at 12:00 noon. Click "yes" to pay online, or click "no" and mail your check to: The Presbytery of Arkansas, 9221 N. Rodney Parham Road, Little Rock, AR 72227, Attention: Travelers Baseball. Presbytery staff Connector, Julie Price, will be under the bridge in front of the entrance to the ballpark starting at 6:00 p.m. the night of the game, passing out the reserved tickets. Get a group together, or just bring your family, and let's all meet at the ballfield on May 30th for Presbyterian night. See you there!

https://www.cognitoforms.com/PresbyteryOfArkansas/PresbyteryOfArkansasTravelersBaseballNight2025





# NWA Presbyterian Night/Wichita Surge Baseball Night 2025

Wednesday, June 4, is Presbyterian night at the ballpark when the NWA Naturals play the Wichita Wind Surge at 7:00 PM at the Arvest Ballpark in Springdale. Here are the details:

- The \$9 per person tickets, which include a discount for block seating, can be purchased online by completing this form. You can also pay by check to FPC Bentonville and mail it to: 901 NE J STREET, BENTONVILLE, AR 72712. For further questions, you can contact administrative.assistant@fpcbentonville.org or 479-273-5450.
- Everyone is invited to join other Presbyterians in singing the National Anthem on the field before the opening pitch. The gates will open at 6:00 pm and anyone wanting to sing should arrive no later than 6:15 pm. Warm up and practice will be in the McNaughton Real Estate Community Room Community Room that is located on your right after entering Arvest Ballpark. Contact Dan Fry, music director at FPC Bentonville, at dfry@fpcbentonville.org if you have questions.
- Please note that it will be \$1 hotdog night, and there will be a \$5 per vehicle charge (payable at the park).
- Tickets can be picked up in front of the main gates of the stadium on game night.

The deadline to register is Sunday, May 18th on this website:
https://www.cognitoforms.com/PresbyteryOfArkansas/PresbyteryOfArkansasNaturalsBaseball2025