

SENDING

- *Closing Hymn:** #797 - "We Cannot Measure How You Heal"
YE BANKS AND BRAES
- *Benediction** Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert
- *Benediction Response: 11:00 am—"Go Now in Peace"** Don Besig
- Postlude: "Recessional"** Arcangelo Corelli
Jim Moore, Organist

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert
Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert
William Bennett—Director of Music
Jim Moore—Organist
Rocks of Ages
Chancel Choir
Liturgists: 8:45 am—Kristi Selander 11:00 am—Colin Martin
Elder-in-Charge: 8:45 am—Charlie Harris 11:00 am—Doug Hess
Ushers: 8:45 am—Pat Tolbert, Julie McCormick, Charlie & Sue Harris
11:00 am—Lionel Lawson, Merrilyn Long, Colin Martin & Debbie Lindsay

Flowers—The flowers are given to the glory of God by Kim and Sybil Collins in memory of their daughter Tammy.



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DID YOU KNOW?

We have a Little Free Library in the playground area behind the education building. If you have children's books you would like to donate to the library, we would be happy take those in the church office during office hours. Over the summer we will be sprucing up all areas on campus and this will be one of them.

SUNDAYS AT SPC

Nursery is available 8:30 am-12:15 pm in Room 203
8:45 am—Traditional Service (Sanctuary)
9:45 am—Coffee Fellowship (Lanneau)
10:00 am—Sunday School (Education Wing)
Pre-Reader—Room 103
K-4th—Room 104
Tween (5th-8th)—Room 303
Under the Hill—Room 106
Genesis—Room 101
Seekers —Room 201
10:00 am—Contemporary Service (Gym)
11:00 am—Traditional Service (Sanctuary)
11:00 am—Contemporary Small Group (Room 304)

WELCOME

We welcome you to worship this morning! Please fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate during the offering. A map of our campus is available in the pew racks. If you are a guest with us, we invite you to Lanneau Hall following the service to visit the Welcome Center. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

Children and Nursery—Nursery is available in Room 203. We offer two nurseries, one for ages 0-2 years and the other for ages 3-4 year-olds. We kindly ask that children 5 and above not be dropped off in the nursery. Please ask an usher for a pew pal to help occupy your child during the worship service. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Murphy at summervillepresnursery@gmail.com

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Rev. Dr. Anita Herbert—Senior Pastor
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Sheila Wilson & Lauren Sanders—Co-Directors of Mother's Morning Out
Kelly Murphy—Nursery Coordinator
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Bob Hirsch—Sexton

SESSION

Fellowship: Zachary Storti (Chair), Vicky Methot
Nurture: Charlie Harris (Chair), Sharlene Douthit Schneidmuller
Service: Kelli Kemmerer (Chair), Sherry Roberts
Spiritual Growth: Hunter Harris (Chair), Amy Price
Property: Jade Hill (Chair), Doug Hess
Finance: Jeff Bowers (Chair), Robert Pratt
Personnel: Jeff Bowers (Chair)
Worship: Mike Homola (Chair), Kathryn Tupper
Youth Elder: Lily Bennett
Clerk of Session: Oden Semones

DEACONS

Class of 2026 - Sue Avenel, Perry Harris, Barbara Norris, Marylou Semones, Marilynn Shaughnessy
Class of 2027 - Rachel Altman, Vera Devito, Jim Ferro, Skip Fetters, Rose Warrell
Class of 2028 - Barbara Grube, Carol Hetu, Matthew Keller, Carol Wilkins, Tony Young

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ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS

*"But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus,
"And who is my neighbor?"
Luke 10:29*

**7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE**
Sunday, May 17, 2026

GATHERING

Please prepare your hearts for worship during the prelude.

“Be still, and know that I am God.” Psalm 46:10

Prelude: 8:45 am—“An Old Hymn” Wihla Hutson
Jim Moore, Organist
11:00 am—“An Instrument of Peace” Greg Gilpin
Rocks of Ages

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

*Call to Worship:

Let us start this service well, by reminding ourselves:
That it is not we who chose Christ,
but Christ who chose us,
That we are not here because of our goodness
but because of Christ’s grace,
That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,
but to allow Christ to enlighten us,
That we have not come to be entertained
but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.

***Opening Hymn:** #450 - “Be Thou My Vision” SLANE

*Confession and Pardon

There are sins of commission and sins of omission – things we knowingly do wrong and to those things we overlook. Sometimes we don’t respond to a need because we don’t see it. Let us ask God to slow us down, and renew our hearts so that we may see the needs of both neighbors and strangers. Let us pray:

**Lord, give us the eyes of Jesus
to see our neighbors and the strangers we meet.
Teach us what it means
to love our neighbor as we love
ourselves.
Forgive us for our selfishness, for our silence,
for not caring enough for the strangers
who come to our
communities.
Teach us to love and care for them the way You do.
In Jesus’ name, Amen.**

(Time for silent confession)

Song of Assurance: “Lord Have Mercy” KYRIE
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Word of God assures us
that we are able to love through the Spirit of Christ,
loving as we have been loved.
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***Song of Praise:** “Glory Be to the Father” GLORIA PATRI
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.

*Affirmation of Faith: 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;
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.**

*Passing the Peace

Please introduce yourself as you pass the peace of Christ.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Church Family Moment Sara Kaczmarks

Prayer of Illumination:

Living God, help us so to hear Your Word
that we may truly understand;
that, understanding, we may believe;
and believing, we may follow Your way in all faithfulness,
seeking your honor and glory in all that we do. **Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 10:12-20

12 “So now, O Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you? Only to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 and to keep the commandments of the Lord and his decrees that I am commanding you today, for your own well-being. 14 Although heaven and the heaven of heavens belong to the Lord your God, the earth with all that is in it, 15 yet the Lord set his heart in love on your ancestors alone and chose you, their descendants after them, out of all the peoples, as it is today. 16 Circumcise, then, the foreskin of your heart,

and do not be stubborn any longer. 17 For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, 18 who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. 19 You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. 20 You shall fear the Lord your God; him you shall serve; to him you shall hold fast; and by his name you shall swear.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Musical Offering: 8:45 am—“An Instrument of Peace” Greg Gilpin
Rocks of Ages
11:00 am—“Celtic Laud” Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir

*Doxology

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

***Prayer of Dedication** Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

***Reflection Hymn:** #802 - “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” ST. COLUMBA

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 10:25-37 Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert

25 An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” 26 He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” 27 He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself.” 28 And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

29 But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” 30 Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. 31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. 32 So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ 36 Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” 37 He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

Sermon: “The Test” Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Herbert