

# First Presbyterian Church

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort,  
to all who struggle and desire victory, to all who sin and need a Savior,  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship,  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness,  
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

## The Lord's Day SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2018

### Prelude

Barb Storm, Hammered Dulcimer  
"My Shepherd" by Peggy Carter

### Preparing Our Hearts and Minds for Worship

*"If you want to judge how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God's child, and having God as his Father. If this is not the thought that prompts and controls his worship and prayers and his whole outlook on life, it means that he does not understand Christianity very well at all. . . . 'Father' is the Christian name for God."*

— J. I. Packer, *Knowing God*, p. 201.

Celtic Ensemble, Kelly Stultz

\*Celtic Ensemble, Adult Choir

"Shine, Jesus, Shine" arr. by Mark Hayes

### †Sung Call to Worship

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"Children of the Living God"

### †Prayer of Adoration

Rev. Chris Bowen

### †Hymns

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"Here I Am to Worship"

No. 170 (vv. 1,2,4)

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

### Prayer for God's People

Rev. Chris Ehlers

### Offertory

David Luther

\*David Luther and Adult Choir

"To Behold Thee" by Dan Forrest

From weariness of sin I turn at last, O Lord, to Thee;  
my eyes and heart grown dim from looking long on vanity.  
I venture toward thy radiance then, compelled to come by grace,  
and in the pages of Thy word behold Thy lovely face.

*Chorus: Face of glory, turned upon me I cannot but Thee adore.*

*To behold Thee, O my Savior, is to love Thee more and more.*

Each grace in all its fullness on Thy countenance I see;  
great tenderness of mercy, blazing light of purity.  
Thine eyes are wells and love and wisdom, settled peace Thy brow,  
before the whole of perfect beauty I in worship bow.

*Chorus*

When someday I before Thee stand, a debtor to Thy grace,  
and gaze with heaven's eyes upon the brightness of Thy face,  
transformed into Thy likeness, all my sin thrust far away,  
with millions of redeemed ones I will lift my voice and say:

*Chorus*

### †Greeting of Peace & Dismissal of Children

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*\*Children's church for 4 years old through 1<sup>st</sup> grade is available during the late worship service in the PreK-K room. Leaders will meet children at the left front doors of the Sanctuary.*

### †Doxology

No. 731

### †Scripture Reading

John 1:1-13 (pg. 886 in pew Bible)

Rev. Chris Bowen

### Sermon

"A Gospel Overture—Welcome to the Family"

Rev. Chris Bowen

### Confession of Sin *(To be read in unison)*

Rev. Chris Ehlers

Merciful Lord, forgive my sins. Forgive the sins that I remember and the sins I have forgotten. Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements and those when I have failed to boast in Your works. Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others and the leniency I have shown myself. Forgive the lies I have told to others and the truths I have avoided. Forgive me the pain I have caused others and the indulgence I have shown myself. Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole. Amen.

### Private Confession of Sin

### Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Chris Ehlers

*Psalm 103:11-13*

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear Him.

### †The Ministry of the Table

Rev. Chris Ehlers

Leader: The LORD be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the LORD.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O LORD, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God.

People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You.

### †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, amen.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Chris Ehlers

### Words of Institution

Rev. Chris Bowen

Please hold the elements until everyone has been served. The pastor will lead us to partake together, symbolizing our unity in Christ with God and one another.

### †Closing Hymn

No. 441 (vv. 1,4)

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Musical score for "Jesus Shall Reign" (No. 441, vv. 1,4). The score is written for voice and piano. The lyrics are: "To our King be high - est praise Ris - ing through e - ter - nal days. Just and faith- ful - He shall reign: Je - sus shall reign!"

### †The Benediction

Rev. Chris Bowen

### Postlude

"Jig Medley"

†The Congregation will please stand.

\*10:55 service

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert and Virginia Talley and Humphrey B. and Rosina Heywood, parents of Joan and Barry Heywood, M.D. (Flowers will be arranged and delivered following the late worship service today by the Rocking Chair Sunday School Class. All volunteers are welcome.)*

Announcement sheets are available at the entrances or [www.FPCChatt.com](http://www.FPCChatt.com).

# Children Of The Living God

Children Of The Living God - 2

Words and Music by  
Fernando Ortega

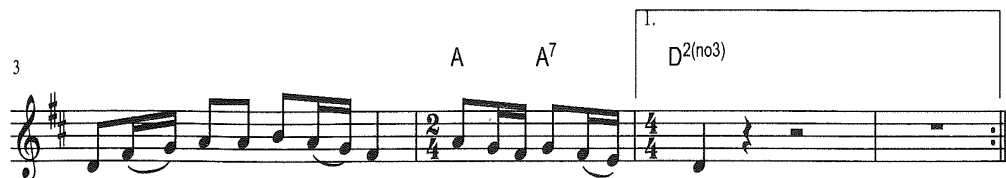
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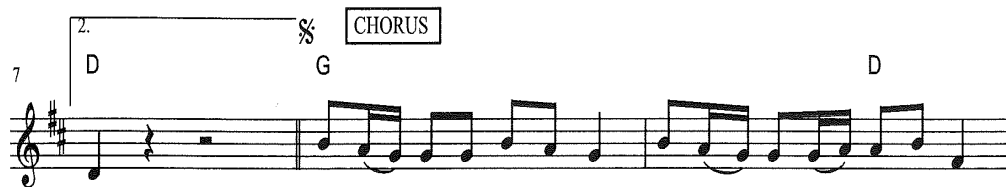
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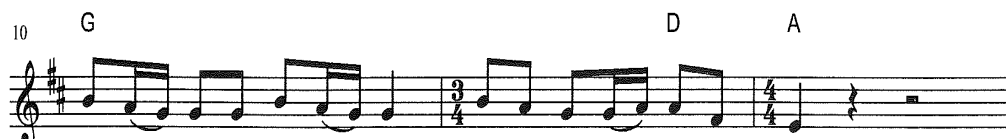
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2. Sing of the won - ders He has \_ made, bird in flight, fall - ing rain.



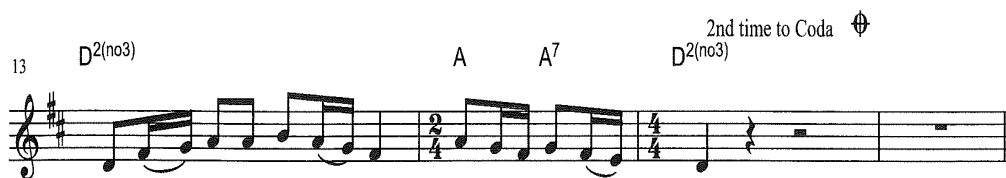
Chil - dren \_ of the liv - ing \_ God, sing to the liv - ing \_ God!  
Sing of the won - ders He has \_ made, sing to the liv - ing \_



God. How He \_ loves us with great love, He who \_ sits en - throned a - bove.



For our \_ lives He spilled His \_ blood, sent His Spir - it \_ like a flood.



Chil - dren \_ of the liv - ing \_ God, sing to the liv - ing \_ God!

**VERSE 3 & 4**

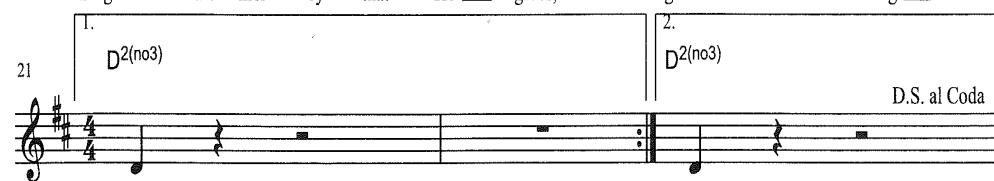
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3. Sing of His gen - tle, heal - ing \_ hands, how they found the low - liest man.  
4. Sing of the mer - cy that He \_ gives, though we sin, \_ He for - gives.



Sing of His gen - tle, heal - ing \_ hands, sing to the liv - ing \_  
Sing of the mer - cy that He \_ gives, sing to the liv - ing \_



God! God!

**Sermon Notes:**

**This Week at FPCC**

**Sunday, May 20**

8:30 AM	Early Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:45 AM	Sunday School	
10:55 AM	Fellowship Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
	Late Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:15 PM	Coffee/Coke Fellowship	Library/Lounge

**Monday, May 21**

10:00 AM	Women's Prayer Time	Session Room
5:15 PM	Deacons' Meeting	Chapel
	Session Meeting	Chapel/Session

**Tuesday, May 22**

12:00 PM	Beatitude Living	Tower 404
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**Wednesday, May 23**

4:30 PM	Deacon-on-Call Appts.	Deacon Office
5:00 PM	World Missions Prayer Time	Tower 404
6:15 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
	Rapha Fellowship Classes	Tower 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor

**Thursday, May 24**

5:30 PM	Stephen Ministry Training	Tower 403
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**Friday, May 25**

8:30 AM	Salvation Army Ministry	
12:00 PM	Card-E-Ology	Tower 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor

**Saturday, May 26**

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