



# First Presbyterian Church

5th Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2020  
10:30 AM

Pastor: Rev. Andy S. Chambers  
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## **PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP**

*You are cause for rejoicing, O God, and the source of our gladness. You know what afflicts us; you can sense our distress. You remove whatever net will ensnare us; you give our feet firm places to stand. In Christ you have brought us deliverance. For all your mercies we praise your name and worship you now as our refuge and strength. Amen.*

## **MUSICAL MEDITATION**

Donna James

## **MORNING PSALM**

Psalm 31

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Victory in Jesus*

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**Lord, we confess that we cover our ears to your commandments, choosing instead to carry out plans that cause suffering and inflict pain on others. We neglect to heed your instructions to care for the vulnerable and uphold the weak. Out of fear and selfishness we grab and hoard resources meant to be shared and distributed. In this season of uncertainty, we are tempted to seek control through self-protection rather than surrendering ourselves to you and trusting your promise to never abandon us. Forgive our unwillingness to listen to your Word and do your work. Hear our confession and grant us mercy. Amend our ways and help us to walk more closely with you.**

(our prayer continues in silence)

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (responsive)

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. Friends, believe the good news, through Jesus Christ you are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

## **OFFERTORY**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

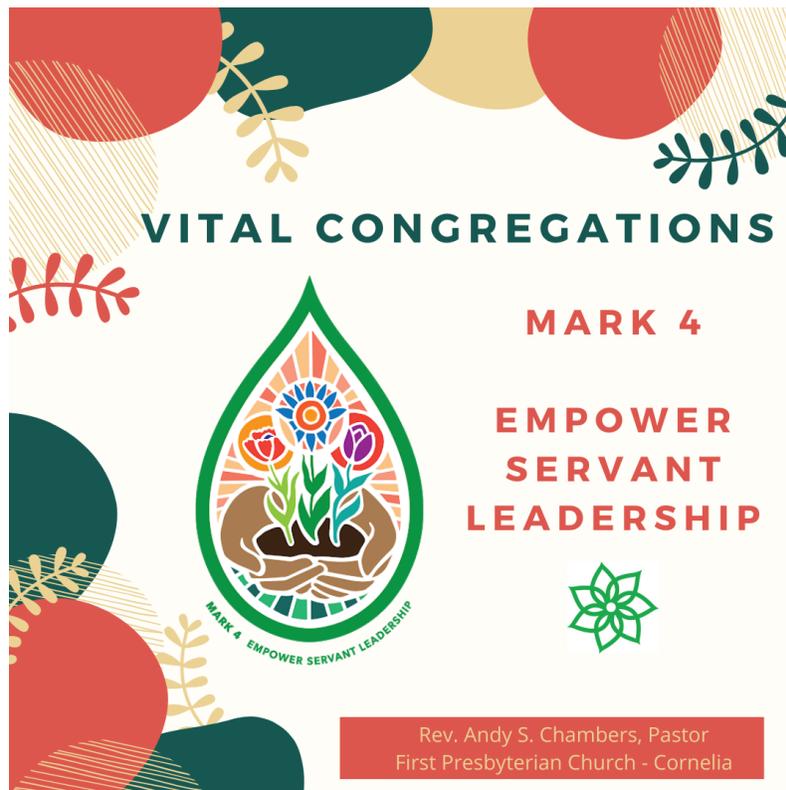
*Amazing Grace*

Malie Anderson

## **SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Ephesians 4:1-16

**Church Vitality: Empower Servant Leadership**



**BENEDICTION**

**RESPONSE**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me,  
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

## Upcoming Birthdays

May 10: Karen Sprayberry  
May 11: Vida Rogers  
May 12: Carolyn Denton  
May 13: Toui Khamatsamay  
May 15: Ellie Armour  
Chad Chosewood  
May 18: Cathy Crawford  
Sue White  
May 19: Ramsay Allen  
Danny Honeycutt  
Carol Thomas  
May 20: Barbara Anderson  
Nancy Hendricks  
Billy Trotter



### PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayer Person(s) of the week: **Ada Khioukhom**

In the Oaks (Scenic): **John Howard**  
**Ruth Breed**

In the Military: **Captain Alex McLean** and family; **Cpt. Joe Campbell** and his family, **LCpl Kevin Matthews** (Marine Corps Base Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii) and his family.



**Geoff Tipton; Sylvia Palmer; Jerry and Joyce Barrett; Laurie Oldroyd** (George and Martha Kaulbach's daughter); **Bill Ford; Michelle Truelove and family; Jan Tolbert** (friend of Pastor Andy); **Betty Schaeffer; Hadden Carswell** (friend of Duren Chambers and Maddie Chosewood); **Greg Hopkins; John Foster; Celeste Sumner; Teresa Touralack; Ann Nermoe** (Bill Ford's sister); **Melody Little** (Marilyn Bedsworth's daughter); **Garth and Sue Smith; Carolyn and Jeff Denton; David and Martha Lee Sherman; Karen Hooper** (Troy Webb's Stepsister); **Mary Sue Tripp** (Troy Webb's cousin); **Maria Costley; Robin Griffin; Khamphant Touralack** (Souvanh's brother); **Scott and Melissa Painter; Jackie Williams** (Sharon Baskin's cousin); **Philip Barber; Bonnie McKim; Brad Donaldson** (Ron & Karen Sprayberry's son-in-law); **Pete Lewis** (Joy Mullen's uncle); **our country, its leaders, and those working in the medical field.**

#### **Household Prayer: Morning**

*I give thanks for the gift of life and breath that is mine today in Christ. Make me eager to do good and to resist evil, and grant me the wisdom to recognize the difference. Fill me with your assurance in all I say and do that I may share the hope that is within me in gentleness and reverence of Christ. Amen.*

#### **Household Prayer: Evening**

*O God, in whom I live and move and have my being, you hear me when I cry and listen to my prayer; you set my feet on steady ground, you never leave me alone. As I rest in you tonight, sanctify my heart in Christ, and fill me with your strength, that I may rise to love and serve you and greet another day. Amen.*



## Avery Chambers, HCHS Class of 2020

Graduation for Avery and her fellow Senior class should have been held on Friday, May 22. Although the graduation ceremony has been postponed until later in the summer, Avery has still had to miss out on all the special things that make the end of your high school career fun and exciting. To help lift her spirits and ease her transition to college, Nancy Hendricks (Avery's Deacon), would like to organize a special gift for her.

We will be putting together a **gift basket** from her FPC family filled with things she may need when she attends the University of Georgia in the Fall. If you would like to contribute, please drop your gift off at the Church Office on or before **May 15**. Let's help make Avery's Senior year as special as we can!

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# WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING

THURSDAYS - 10AM

Join Us On Zoom:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4388280904>  
Meeting ID: 438 828 0904





## Thank You to those who have already sent in a photo!

If you haven't already....we would love to have you send in a photo that can be used in an updated Church Directory.

It doesn't have to be professional-we just want our members to see your smiling face along with your information.

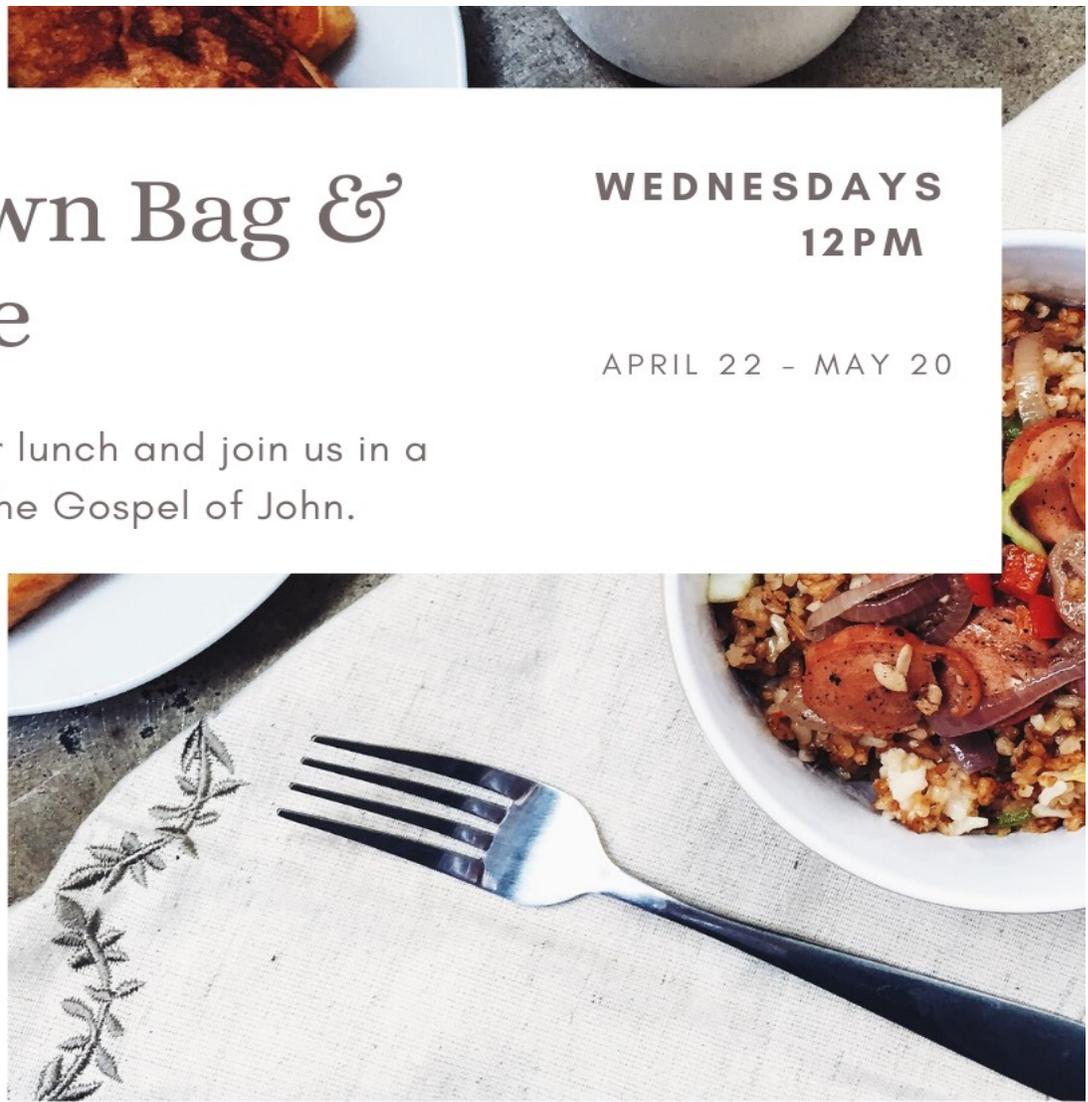
Send to: [office@firstprescornelia.org](mailto:office@firstprescornelia.org)

# Brown Bag & Bible

WEDNESDAYS  
12 PM

APRIL 22 - MAY 20

Grab your lunch and join us in a study of the Gospel of John.



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At this time the Soup Kitchen is only serving to go meals. If you have any type of reusable food container you would like to donate, you can drop them by the Church Office. Thank you!

