

**Present Word Class.** We have started a *new* Bible study! Please join us in the Fellowship Hall **on Sundays at 9:15am**. Our study will be based on the Present Word series of Bible studies. The first one we are using says, *"This quarter examines God's call in stories from the New Testament. The greatest call came to Jesus. Other calls in the NT led to the extension of Christian ministry into the known world."* Through these studies, we also think about our own sense of God's call during this time in our lives. Present Word follows the Uniform Lesson Series which covers all of the major Bible studies over a 6 year period. Wear a mask and we will socially distance. Bring a cup of coffee if you like!

**The Biblical Solutions Sunday School Class** is happy to announce they will resume weekly meetings beginning today at 9:00am. They will meet in the Biblical Solutions room (A-2). If you have questions, please contact Mary Lou Montgomery at 770-630-0105.

**Sunday, May 23 is SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY.** After worship on the patio, we will honor our graduating high school seniors and award the Huie-Keever Scholarships. High School Seniors, if you need a copy of the scholarship application to fill out, please email church@fayettepcusa.org. **OTHER GRADUATES**, we also like to feature in the bulletin those who are graduating from college or graduate programs. Please email the church office with this info—name, school, and degree. Thank you!

**Happy Birthday Church!** We hope you'll join us to celebrate Pentecost following Worship on Sunday, May 23rd. We will enjoy cupcakes on the patio, and everyone (ages 0-99) is invited to make a wind chime to take home.

**VBS IS BACK!** Sail Away with FPC and Join Us on Adventure Island! June 14-17 (9:00-11:00am). Information on child registration will be announced soon. If you're interested in helping, volunteer sign-up sheets are located in the Church lobby (look for our tiki hut), or contact Karen (kanthony@fayettepcusa.org; 404-217-3921). **VOLUNTEERS:** Phyllis King will be leading a VBS volunteer information/training session on June 6th at 9:00am. We will meet in room B-8/10 downstairs and a light breakfast will be provided.

There will be **congregational meeting** on June 6 directly following worship for the purpose of electing an elder nominating committee. We are planning to have a Zoom feed available for those unable to attend the in-person meeting.

**Food Pantry Donations**—We have our food donation basket under the awning outside the fellowship hall every Saturday starting at 7:00am. The cart will be available for donations until Sundays at NOON.

**Have a Prayer Request?** Submit it to our prayer chain! Contact Sharon Ayers on her cell, 404-402-4094 or at sharart.ayers@gmail.com. **NOTE:** Sharon will be out of town May 15-23. Please call or email the church office to leave a prayer request during that time: 770-461-7147 (voicemail is fine, we get that immediately) or church@fayettepcusa.org.

# FAYETTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## The kingdom of heaven comes near

# 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us. Children ages 4 - 5th grade are invited to Children's Church with Ms Karen. Nursery is available for infants through age 3, down Heritage Hall off the main lobby. Assistive hearing devices and large-print bulletins are available from an usher. As we enter a holy space and time this morning, please silence your electronic devices.

Today's Flower Arrangement is given to the Glory of God by Eva Gill in loving memory of her husband, Paul, who passed away 35 years ago today.

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## Welcome and Announcements

Song	Come, Now is the Time to Worship	B. Doerksen
Verse	Chorus	
Come, now is the time to worship	One day every tongue will confess you are God	
Come, now is the time to give your heart	One day every knee will bow	
Come, just as you are to worship	Still the greatest treasure remains for those	
Come, just as you are before your God	Who gladly choose you now	
Come	Repeat Verse and Chorus	

## Scripture Reading: I John 5:9-13

Sermon Rev. Dr. Alex Moses

## Affirmation of Faith: From "The Confession of 1967" PCUSA—The New Life

Leader: *The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humanity.*

*His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for people when the gospel is proclaimed and believed.*

**People: 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.**

Leader: *The new life takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are.*

**People: They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no person has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.**

Leader: *The new life does not release a person from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, and fear. We still have to struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems.*

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**People: Nevertheless, as we mature in love and faithfulness in our life with Christ, we live in freedom and good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil days, confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others.**

Leader: *The new life finds its direction in the life of Jesus, his deeds and words, his struggles against temptation, his compassion, his anger, and his willingness to suffer death.*

**People: The teaching of apostles and prophets guides people in living this life, and the Christian community nurtures and equips them for their ministries. We confess our faith when we bear a present witness to God's grace in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Hymn **God of Grace and God of Glory** H. Fosdick, J. Hughes

Verse 1

God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour Thy power.  
Crown thine ancient church's story;  
bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

Verse 2

Lo! the hosts of evil 'round us,  
scorn thy Christ, assail His ways.  
From the fears that long have bound us  
free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

Verse 3

Cure thy children's warring madness,  
bend our pride to thy control.  
Shame our wanton selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Verse 4

Save us from weak resignation,  
to the evils we deplore.  
Let the gift of thy salvation,  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

## Presbyterian Women Installation of Officers

### Benediction

*\*Please take your bulletin with you and recycle or dispose at home.*

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## 2021-2022 Presbyterian Women Officers

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Treasurer: Kaye Mrozinski  
Nurture: Ann Johnston, Liz Lamble

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Missions: Mary Lou Abbett, Ellen Rodriguez  
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