



The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026

10:30am

GATHER

WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

GATHERING SONG

Seek Ye First

No. 175

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness
and all these things shall be added unto you,
Allelu, alleluia**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 68:7-10, 32

Jennifer Beasley, *liturgist*

O God, when you went out before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness, the earth quaked,
**the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God,
the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**
Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad;
you restored your heritage when it languished; your flock found a dwelling in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.
Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

He is King of Kings

No. 273

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

*You are invited to stand.

Please join in saying/singing aloud the responses **printed in bold**.

Hymn numbers correspond to the pages in the red or purple *Glory to God* hymn book in the pew rack in front of you.

Today's Call to Worship, Confession and Pardon, Affirmation of Faith, and Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession were written, provided or adapted from materials by Rev. Baron Mullis for *The Presbyterian Outlook*.

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Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, you have loved us from generation to generation.
You have shown your faithfulness more often than we can recall.
The Bible tells us of your steadfast mercy. You even pray for us.
Yet we live holding on to past hurts; we are not open to your new creation.
We prefer the safety of what we know to the excitement of discipleship.
Forgive us, we pray, and make us again as you would have us be.
We make all of our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

**Response to Pardon* He is King of Kings *Refrain* No. 273
**He is King of kings; he is Lord of lords,
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him. (Repeat)**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you

You are invited to share greetings and signs of Christ's peace with those seated around you.

*During this time the young (and young at heart!) are invited to come forward
to sit in the front row of chairs by the piano in preparation for the Time with Children.*

PROCLAIM

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*Following the Time with Children, young worshipers
may remain in worship or choose to attend Sunday school in the Fellowship Hall.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

New Testament Reading Acts 1:6-14 NRSVue

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading John 17:1-11 NRSVue

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Prayers for Protection

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RESPOND

*** HYMN OF RESPONSE**

We Are One in the Spirit

No. 300

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from A Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA)

**In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION AND MINISTRY

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

During this time, you are invited to make a financial contribution to LPC. You may do so by placing cash or a check (payable to "LPC") in the offering plate, or give by credit card by using the QR code to be directed to our online giving page. (Note - this QR code does NOT work in Venmo/Paypal or any other third party app.) You are also encouraged to be in prayer about how you can use your time and talents to serve God and neighbor this week.



Offertory

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION 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 debts¹ 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.

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***SENDING HYMN**

O Christ Surround Me

No. 543

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE**

Following the postlude, all LPC members are asked to remain in the sanctuary for a congregational meeting to elect church elders.

¹ When saying the Lord's Prayer, some prefer to use the words "forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us" or "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Please pray as you feel led.

Everyone is invited to enjoy refreshments, coffee, and conversation in the Fellowship Hall!

Worship may be over, but our **service** has just begun.

*We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us.
Lakeview Presbyterian Church brings God's word to life
in a welcoming atmosphere of worship, prayer, and fellowship,
while spreading the love of Jesus Christ
through Christian education and outreach, wherein all are welcome.*

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