

**ST. DAVID & ST. MARTIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**17 MAY 2026  
11:30 AM EDT  
6:30 PM EAT**

Leading Worship: Rev. Meg Patterson

Music: Jennifer Channen

ENTRY OF THE BIBLE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news.

**People: Who publish peace, who bring good tidings, who publish salvation, and proclaim, "Your God reigns!"**

Leader: God will judge among many peoples, And they shall beat their swords into plowshares and nation shall not lift up sword against nation: neither shall they learn war any more.

**People: Let us lift up our voices and praise the God of peace and justice.**

Source: from the National Council of Churches USA website  
(<http://www.nccusa.org/iraq/firstanniversary/04modelservice.html>)

HYMN: *Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us*

#647 v.1-3

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: (UNISON)

**Our purpose is: to seek to know God; to nurture spiritual growth; to love and worship God and to do God's work.**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (*See slides at the end.*)

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

LESSONS FOR THE YOUNG

PRAISE IN THE AFRICAN WAY:

***Prosper Germoh - Sacred Song, Cameroon***

SUNDAY SCHOOL

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM 85

Reader: LORD, you were favourable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

**People: You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin.**

Reader: You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

**People: Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation towards us.**

Reader: Will you be angry with us forever?

**People: Will you prolong your anger to all generations?**

Reader: Will you not revive us again, so that your people may rejoice in you?

**People: Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.**

Reader: Let me hear what God will speak, for the LORD will speak peace to the people, to the faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

**People: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God, that glory may dwell in our land.**

Reader: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

**People: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

Reader: The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

**People: Righteousness will go before the LORD, and make a pathway for God.**

SELECTED VERSES FROM JUDGES

*(Selections from chapters 2 through 5)*

Joshua son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died at the age of a hundred and ten. And they buried him in the land of his inheritance, at Timnath Heres in the hill country of Ephraim, north of Mount Gaash. After that whole generation had been gathered to their ancestors, another generation grew up who knew neither the LORD nor what he had done for Israel....

The Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD; they forgot the LORD their God and served the Baals and the Asherahs. The anger of the LORD burned against Israel so that he sold them into the hands of Cushan-Rishathaim, to whom the Israelites were subject for eight years. But when they cried out to the LORD, he raised up for them a deliverer, Othniel son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother, who saved them....So the land had peace for forty years, until Othniel son of Kenaz died.

Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD, and because they did this evil the LORD gave Eglon king of Moab power over Israel....Again the Israelites cried out to the LORD, and he gave them a deliverer – Ehud, a left-handed man, the son of Gera the Benjamite....That day Moab was made subject to Israel, and the land had peace for eighty years....

Again the Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD, now that Ehud was dead. So the LORD sold them into the hands of Jabin king of Canaan.... They cried to the LORD for help. Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading Israel at the time....On that day God subdued Jabin king of Canaan before the Israelites....Then the land had peace forty years.

PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

PHILIPPIENS 4:4-9

Réjouissez-vous toujours dans le Seigneur! Je le répète: réjouissez-vous!

Que votre douceur soit connue de tous les hommes. Le Seigneur est proche.

Ne vous inquiétez de rien, mais en toute chose faites connaître vos besoins à Dieu par des prières et des supplications, dans une attitude de reconnaissance. Et la paix de Dieu, qui dépasse tout ce que l'on peut comprendre, gardera votre cœur et vos pensées en Jésus-Christ.

Enfin, frères et sœurs, portez vos pensées sur tout ce qui est vrai, tout ce qui est honorable, tout ce qui est juste, tout ce qui est pur, tout ce qui est digne d'être aimé, tout ce qui mérite l'approbation, ce qui est synonyme de qualité morale et ce qui est digne de louange. Ce que vous avez appris, reçu et entendu de moi et ce que vous avez vu en moi, mettez-le en pratique. Et le Dieu de la paix sera avec vous.

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

HYMN: *Put peace into each other's hands*

#560 v.1,2,5

SERMON: *Then the land had peace...*

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OUR OFFERING

ANTHEM: *Dona Nobis Pacem*

DOXOLOGY: *"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

#830

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

**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, the power, and the glory. Forever. AMEN**

HYMN: *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

#267 v.1,2,3,5

COMMISSIONING : "*Go Now In Peace*" (Sung)

BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN (Sung)

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST