

**COMMUNION HYMN #506** “Look Who Gathers at Christ’s Table”

**THE LORD’S SUPPER**

Invitation to the Table  
Words of Institution  
Sharing of the Supper  
Prayer of Blessing

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS)**

**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 and ever. Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #546** “Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing”

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** “On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand” arr. by Adam Mason  
Belinda Vair – Accompanist/Choir Director

**If you would like to purchase a Glory To God Hymnal and dedicate it to someone, please fill out the form which is located on the table in the back of the Sanctuary. The cost of the Hymnal is \$25.00.**

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**May 3, 2026**

**10:30am**

Welcome to worship at the First Presbyterian Church, Johnstown. Whether you are here in the sanctuary or joining us online, we are glad you are with us. Wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome here, and we give thanks for the gift of worshiping together today!

Pastor Ken

**MISSION OF THE MONTH** Domestic Violence of Fulton County

Helen Thompson

**PRELUDE** “In the Garden”

arr. by James Koerts

Belinda Vair – Accompanist/Choir Director

**CHORAL INTROIT**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *Please rise*

Pastor Ken

**Leader:** Friends, Christ says, “Do not let your hearts be troubled.”

**People:** We come carrying worries, questions, hopes, and hunger for grace.

**Leader:** The Lord prepares a table for us, even in the middle of life’s struggles.

**People:** God welcomes us, feeds us, and reminds us we are not alone.

**Leader:** Jesus promises that there is room for us in the Father’s house.

**People:** There is a place for us, a seat for us, and a love that will not let us go.

**Leader:** So come to worship the Shepherd who guides us and the Savior who prepares the table.

**People:** We come to meet Christ, to receive his peace, and to share his welcome with the world. Amen.

(PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT)

**\*OPENING HYMN #612** “We Praise You, O God”

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Pastor Ken

**Leader:** Christ says, “Do not let your hearts be troubled,” yet we know how often our hearts are troubled by fear, resentment, pride, impatience, and worry. We know how easy it is to forget the peace Christ gives and to live as though everything depends on us. But the good news is this: God does not wait for us to be perfect before inviting us near. The Lord prepares a table of mercy even in the presence of all that threatens to undo us. Jesus makes room for us, welcomes us, and meets us with grace. So we do not need to hide, pretend, or clean ourselves up before coming to God. Trusting in the mercy of Christ, let us confess our sin together.

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ALL:** Merciful God, you prepare a table for us, yet we do not always trust your welcome. Our hearts are troubled by fear, pride, resentment, and worry. You make room for us, but we do not always make room for others. You feed us with grace, but we are slow to share that grace. Forgive us, O Lord. Calm our troubled hearts. Bring us back to your table. Teach us to follow Jesus, the way, the truth, and the life. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

**Leader:** Let us take a moment for silent confession and personal reflection.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Leader:** Friends, hear the good news: Christ does not turn away troubled hearts. Christ welcomes us, forgives us, and prepares a place for us in the grace of God. At the table of mercy, there is room for you. In the love of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and made new.

**All:** Thanks be to God! Amen.

**\*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 FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Leader:** Gracious God, as we hear your Word, calm our troubled hearts and open us to your peace. Set a place for us in the story of your grace. Feed us with truth, guide us in the way of Jesus, and help us listen for the voice of the One who welcomes, restores, and leads us. By your Spirit, make this Word alive in us today. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Mona Cole

Psalms 23:5-6 (Pew Bible Page #501)

John 14:1-14 (Pew Bible Page #108)

**Leader:** This is the word of God for the people of God. And we all say:

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM** “Lord, I Need You”

arr. by Lloyd Larson

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**SERMON** “Your Table is Ready”

Pastor Ken