

*Chapel by the Sea  
Presbyterian Church (USA)  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
April 25, 2021*



*Chapel by the Sea was the first church on our island and remains a church for the community, welcoming all people seeking to know and serve Christ. We are a mission for Jesus Christ and church for all seasons...*

*...seasons of life*

*...seasons of the year*

*...seasons of our growth as Christians*

# ***A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY***

*TOLLING OF THE BELL*

*WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

*PRELUDE*

*Go Down, Moses/Wade in the Water*

Traditional Spiritual

*CALL TO WORSHIP*

*One: Out of the blue*

**All: God comes to us.**

*One: In the midst of the storm*

**All: Jesus walks toward us.**

*One: As darkness closes in*

**All: The Spirit lights a way for us.**

*One: Out of the blue*

**All: Jesus comes through.**

*One: When times are tough*

**All: God can be enough.**

*One: As questions arise*

**All: The Spirit is wise.**

*One: Let us raise our voices in song;*

**All: May our praise be loud and strong.**

**1)** Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.  
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

**2)** Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of Thy love.  
Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee,  
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

**3)** Take my voice, and let me sing Always, only, for my King.  
Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee,  
Filled with messages from Thee.

**4)** Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect, and use Every power as Thou shalt choose,  
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

**5)** Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne,  
It shall be Thy royal throne.

**6)** Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store.  
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee,  
Ever, only, all for Thee.

*CALL TO RENEWAL*

Dr. Adkison

**And so we live our lives imperfectly, for we are flawed. But we are also loved by the God in whose image we were created. Let us remake ourselves toward that image as we make our confession before God and each other.**

*PRAYER OF RENEWAL (In Unison)*

Dr. Adkison

**Our Father in Heaven, you know us from the beginning. You see in us more good and beauty than we have dared to believe. You beckon us to do more than we have dared to try. Forever you call our names. But we have filled our ears with the sounds of the world; we have timidly spoken of your great love; we have doubted the gifts hidden within each of us. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy and forgive us. Searcher of hearts, shine your forgiving light into our hesitancy, and embolden us to live with such joy that all the world may know of your love. Let it be so. Amen.**

*GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS*

Dr. Adkison

*Friends, hear the Good News: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. Let us proclaim the Good News.*

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Alleluia! 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. A – men, A – men.**

*OFFERTORY*

*To God on High*

Mendelssohn

*\*DOXOLOGY*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### *Jeremiah 18:1-6 (NIV)*

<sup>1</sup>This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: <sup>2</sup>“Go down to the potter’s house, and there I will give you my message.” <sup>3</sup>So I went down to the potter’s house, and I saw him working at the wheel. <sup>4</sup>But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him.

<sup>5</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to me. <sup>6</sup>He said, “Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?” declares the LORD. “Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel.

### *2 Corinthians 4:7-12 (NIV)*

<sup>7</sup>But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. <sup>8</sup>We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; <sup>9</sup>persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. <sup>10</sup>We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. <sup>11</sup>For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus’ sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body. <sup>12</sup>So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.

### *Philippians 1:3-6 (NIV)*

<sup>3</sup>I thank my God every time I remember you. <sup>4</sup>In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy <sup>5</sup>because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, <sup>6</sup>being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

*Philippians 1:9-11 (NIV)*

<sup>9</sup>And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, <sup>10</sup>so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, <sup>11</sup>filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer

**Thanks be to God!**

*SERMON*

*“Treasures in Jars of Clay”*

Dr. Adkison

*ANTHEM*

*You'll Never Walk Alone*

Rogers & Hammerstein

Kim Southworth and Peter Cartwright, Duet

*PASTORAL PRAYER & 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE*

*Go Now In Peace*

D. Besig

**Go Now In Peace, Never Be Afraid.  
God Will Go With You, Each Hour Of Every Day.  
Go Now In Faith, Steadfast, Strong And True.  
Know He Will Guide You In All You Do.  
Go Now In Love, And Show You Believe.  
Reach Out To Others, So All The World Can See.  
God Will Be There, Watching From Above.  
Go Now In Peace, In Faith, And In Love.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.**

*BENEDICTION*

Dr. Adkison

*POSTLUDE*

*Toccata*

Girolamo Frescobaldi

*The flowers today are in honor of the  
80<sup>th</sup> Birthday of JoAnne Hunter,  
from the Hunter and Hennig Families.*

Special Announcement: Pastor Steve will be out of the Pulpit on Sunday, May 2. We are happy to announce that ***Courtney Ducharme*** will lead us in worship that Sunday. She is the Chaplain of Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. A retired Colonel in the United States Air Force, Courtney had the privilege of attending Princeton Theological Seminary. She, husband, Jay, and their 13-year old Golden Doodle, Brewster, moved to Fort Myers to be with Courtney's mother in 2019. They are the grateful parents of two beautiful and accomplished daughters, Christianna and Kaileigh."

\*Denote standing, if able.

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## Prayer Guide — April 25, 2021

*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, 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” --Philippians 4:6-7*

Please pray for...

- Nancy Bryant George
- Jean Shell
- John & Julianna Beal
- Sheila Simpson
- Miffie Greer
- Jessica Holmes
- Roy O’Doherty
- The Adkison Family
- Emily Porter
- Jim & Lorri Marshall
- Mary Lou Dietz
- Bill & Sandy Peters
- Sandy DeJonge
- Bill Figgins
- Jim
- Michelle
- Coen Holmes & Family
- Vann Turner
- Jack & Julia Palmer
- Bill
- Bill Mouw
- Cheryl Bredin
- Sue Brady
- Harry Willard
- Marie, Jeanne, Aubrey & Stefan
- Linda Brown
- The Bob Horning Family
- Amy Bell Finiki
- John Berkenpas
- Alta Nodland
- Karin, Penny & Matt & Families
- Drew Vandlen
- Jim Silvernail
- Audrey Berkenpas
- Joy Booth
- Maria Werner
- Chris M.
- Amanda volunteering in Africa
- Aubrey
- Peggy Huff
- David Conrad
- Graeie Grant
- Josh Stevens, USN
- Craig & Laurie Furlong
- Bob & Ginny Lemire
- Bushnell Family
- Fasick, Bennett, Rhodus & Eggar Families
- Sidok Family
- Chris Foster
- Kathy Frazee
- Linda Hinrichs
- Brad & Pam Cox
- Deb, Connie, Alan
- Greg Beller
- Craig Allen
- Lauren & Marilyn Kamm
- Jarrod Karnes
- Katie Spyke
- Haas Family
- Jay Dishnow
- Merlyn O’Malley
- Doris Lynch
- R.J. & Family
- Tim & Karen
- LaCombe Families
- Unspoken

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