



First Presbyterian Church of Littleton



You're blessed when you get your inside world — your mind and heart — put right. Then you can see God in the outside world. You're blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That's when you discover who you really are, and your place in God's family.

Matthew 5:8-9 (The Message)

SCRIPTURE 2 Kings 6:15-17 (NRSVUE)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new vision, you call us blessed in ways we do not expect, yet we resist your way of seeing. We overlook those who are suffering. We avoid the places where grief and injustice dwell. We cling to privilege and call it security. We settle for what is comfortable instead of what is faithful.

Forgive us when we close our eyes to the realities of this world and to your presence within it. Open our eyes again — to see our neighbors with compassion, to see your kingdom breaking in, and to see ourselves as you see us. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

HYMN 575

LORD, HAVE MERCY UPON US

Congregation

*Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us;
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

SHARING GOD'S LOVE AND FORGIVENESS

Cheri B

...Believe the Good News of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

◆ HYMN 582

GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME Congregation

◆ GOSPEL READING Matthew 5:1-12 (The Message)

Pastor Murray

This is the Word of the Lord. **God is still speaking.**

~~~ PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD ~~~

MESSAGE

New Eyes

Sermon Series New Life

HYMN 172

Blest Are They

Congregation

~~~ RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD ~~~

OFFERING

Pastor Murray

OFFERTORY

Prayer of St. Francis

◆ HYMN

Doxology

Congregation

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

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Murray

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Source Unknown

We believe that the LORD is God, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: who called us in righteousness, who took us by the hand and kept us; who has given us as a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out from the prison those who sit in darkness. We believe the former things have come to pass, and new things now spring forth. For we believe the one seated on the throne of heaven who says "See, I am making all things new." Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (pg 35)

Pastor Winslow

◆ HYMN 273

He Is King of Kings

Congregation

~~~ CARRYING GOD'S GOOD NEWS INTO GOD'S WORLD ~~~

◆ BENEDICTION

Pastor Murray

POSTLUDE

Mary Dailey

What do you need to see...  
to live like God's kingdom is already here?

And who might experience that kingdom...  
because you chose to see differently?

*The flowers in the Sanctuary were given by Margaret and John A to celebrate Mr. Philip A who is celebrating 102 Years of Life!*

### **Today's Service**

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|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| Music       | Mary Dailey and The Women's Ensemble |
| Liturgist   | Cheri B                              |
| Trustee     | Don W                                |
| Ushers      | Teagan W                             |
| Cover Image | Howard Carter                        |

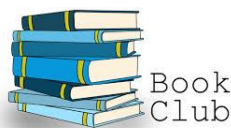


Tuesday Evening Shabby Sheep Women's Bible Study

On a break for now

Wednesday Morning Shabby Sheep Women's Bible Study

Six-week study on *Acts*, started on April 8<sup>th</sup>



FPCL Book Club meets in Ayers' Parlor or Zoom on the Second Thursday of each month at 12:30. All are welcome.

### *April's RightNow Media selections*

As we celebrate and reflect upon the miracle of Easter Sunday and Jesus' Resurrection during the month of April, here are some recommended video series drawn from the huge selection of inspiring Christian content located at RightNow Media! Everything is accessible for you to conveniently enjoy from your computer or mobile device--absolutely free! Your account is already paid for through FPCL

If you have any trouble creating your account, or accessing content, please contact Pastor Blakeley for assistance!

For general audience: **"The Easter Experience":**

Join pastor and author Jason Lawrence Turner in a journey through Luke 24--to experience the Resurrected Jesus through the eyes of two disciples on the road to Emmaus. Learn that no matter what circumstances life may bring, Jesus always walks the road alongside of us.

Please join the Men's Ensemble rehearsal for Mother's Day on Sunday, May 10 at 8:30am on the fourth floor before we sing at the 10:00 am service.  
No choir experience or music reading necessary. Hope to see you there.



Date: Sunday, April 26, 2026

1:00 pm

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JERIMIAH OTTO holds a BM degree in Piano Performance and an MM degree in Harpsichord Performance from CU Boulder. In 2023, JERIMIAH performed at L'Echappee Estivale early music festival in Clumy, France. In 2025, he gave two concerts at the Church of Saint-Julien-du-Saul's, France, "L'orgue fait son marche" on harpsichord and on the historic 1568 Renaissance organ as part of the Les Epopees early music festival. Mr. Otto performs at various venues and churches throughout the Front Range. He has also music directed theatre productions at Marionelas International Theater Festival in Gondomar, Portugal, the University of Guelph in Canada, as well as the Lakewood Cultural Center, Candlelight Dinner Theatre, Vintage Theater, Aurora Fox Theater, Cherry Creek Theater, Red Rjocks Community College and the University of Colorado at Boulder. He is also the person who

takes care of the harpsichord here at FPCL. We are so excited to have him here for a 45-minute concert on April 26. There is no charge for attending and please bring your friends.



**Open Door Circle** will be meeting every 3rd Thursday, at 10:30. All women are welcome. Please call Hedy L with any questions.



The mission committee will be holding its annual food drive for the Life Center during April. The Director said they could use any food, but they are always in need of foods with protein such as Spam, beans, tuna, salmon, peanut butter or any nut butter. We will be collecting food through April. There will be a container at the Windermere entrance and at the Littleton Boulevard entrance to place your donations. Thank you in advance.

**Office Hours** 9am-2pm Tuesday-Thursday \*Appointments Encouraged

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**Joan Lund**, Financial Secretary

**Tracy Eidson**, Child Care

### *Worship Plans*

#### **Sermon Series for the Season of Easter: *New Life***

**May 3: *New Identity***

**Matthew 5:13-16 Bells**

**May 10: *New Courage***

**Matthew 16:21-28 Men's Ensemble**

**May 17: *New Calling***

**Matthew 28:16-20 Chancel Choir**

**Town Hall Meeting today, following Worship**

**Next Bible Study- May 3rd**

**Our Mission:**

***We welcome all to love, share, serve, and grow in Christ.***

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