



First Presbyterian Church of Littleton



The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” He answered, “Here I am, Lord.” 11 The Lord said to him, “Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, 12 and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.”

Acts 9:10b-12

Sunday, July 19, 2026
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

All are welcome in this sacred space, including the wiggles and giggles!

◆ **PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT**

*Please be seated, silence all devices, and **prepare yourself for worship.***

PRELUDE

Mary Dailey

OPENING HYMN 393

O Day of Rest and Gladness

Congregation

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Dailey

◆ SHARING THE PEACE

*The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!***

~~~ **GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE** ~~~

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

Trey McDowell

*We go through life not seeing what is all around us:  
God's gifts of beauty, of human connection, of purpose.*

**But Christ asks us to open our eyes  
and see anew the things around us.**

*With eyes focused on God, we see differently.*

**We see the call to love and kinship.**

*With eyes focused on God, we walk a more beautiful, if challenging, path.*

**We gather together, intent on walking the way Christ leads.**

*Let us worship God.*

◆ HYMN 12 (v. 1-3)

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Congregation

~~~ **LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD** ~~~

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Traci Kern Piper, soprano

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Trey McDowell

SCRIPTURE READING: Genesis 16:7-9, 13 (NIV)

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you call us to open our eyes to a new path, yet we hesitate to remove the blindfold made of notions of “us” and “them,” of arrogance and blame. You ask us to see all people as your people, but we hold tightly to our judgment and disdain. You ask us to see through the eyes of love, but we perceive with suspicion and fear. We forget that you see us all as your children and want us to build family together. Give us new eyes, we pray — eyes that see with love, with compassion, with justice. Show us a new way, that we may realize your vision of us. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN 579

Kyrie Eleison (Lord, Have Mercy)

Congregation

Kyrie eleison (3x) Christe eleison (3x) Kyrie eleison (3x)

SHARING GOD’S LOVE AND FORGIVENESS

Trey McDowell

...Friends, 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

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 9:1-19a (NRSVUE)

Pastor Katie

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

~~~ **PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD** ~~~

MESSAGE

Blinded into New Sight

Sermon Series “*Spirit on the Move*”

HYMN 451

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

Congregation

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

OFFERING

Pastor Katie

OFFERTORY

Traci Kern Piper, soprano

◆ HYMN 606

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 Katie

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

This We Believe

(inspired by Mark 1:14-20, Matthew 4:18-22) By Bruce Pewter

I believe in an innovative God, who does not wait for us to find ourselves but comes seeking the lost and calling us into a new way.

I believe in Jesus of Nazareth as God's crucial initiative, that when he calls us to follow, Christ also gives us the power to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the living God.

I believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us, calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship.

I believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people, called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future.

Because Christ has called me in this I truly believe. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Katie

...Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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

◆ HYMN 295

Go to the World!

Congregation

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

◆ BENEDICTION

Pastor Katie

POSTLUDE

Mary Dailey

**"When God changed someone's heart – or your own – in a way you never expected; what made that transformation possible?"**

## Today's Service

Music

Mary Dailey & Traci Kern Piper, soprano

Liturgist

Trey McDowell

Trustee

Don Wendell

Ushers

Dick & Cathy Graves, Diane Caby & Mary Doner

Rev. Katie Palmer retired in 2024 after serving First United Presbyterian Church in Las Vegas, New Mexico, for several years. Prior to going into ministry, she taught in the Writing Program at CU - Boulder. Katie and her husband have two daughters, five grandchildren, and two cats.



# CONCERT

— ON THE —

# CORNER

≡ Featuring ≡

**NOLAN BAKER**

— & —

**MATTHEW DAILEY**



**SUNDAY,**  
**JULY 26**



**1PM**



Bring a lawn chair · and a cool beverage to sip on · WHILE YOU ENJOY SOME OF BROADWAY'S GREATEST HITS!



# First Presbyterian Church of Littleton



Presents the 23rd Annual

**Western Welcome Week**

**Quilt Show &**

**Used Book Sale**

**Come enjoy the beautiful quilts displayed in our Historic Sanctuary (built in 1929 by Jules Jacques Benois Benedict) and Used Book Sale!**

Quilt Drop-off Day: Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 12-6pm

Quilt Show & Used Book Sale: Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup> 12-6pm

Quilt Show & Used Book Sale: Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> 8:30am-3pm

**\*\*Quilts must be picked up on Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm**

A beautiful hand quilted mission quilt has been generously donated to the Peacemakers to be included in a chance drawing on Saturday August 15, at 3:00pm. All proceeds from the Quilt Show will benefit "Faithfully K-9" - a service to our veterans, who provide individual dog training.

Chance Tickets: **\$1** each or **6** for **\$5**

Proceeds from the Used Book Sale will benefit Whiz Kids Tutoring.

We will begin collecting books July 1<sup>st</sup> in the Welcome Center.

Contact Kathy Frear at 303-241-3405 or [kathyfrear@gmail.com](mailto:kathyfrear@gmail.com)

to arrange a drop-off or pick up.

**\*\* LAST DAY TO DONATE BOOKS: SUNDAY, AUGUST 9<sup>th</sup> \*\***

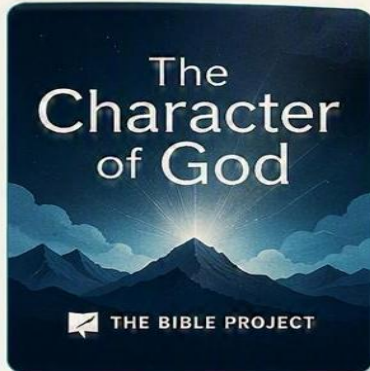
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# July

## RIGHTNOW MEDIA

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GENERAL STUDY

## The Character of God

The Bible Project

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If you were to name the attributes of God, what would you name?



Love?



Gracious?



Merciful?

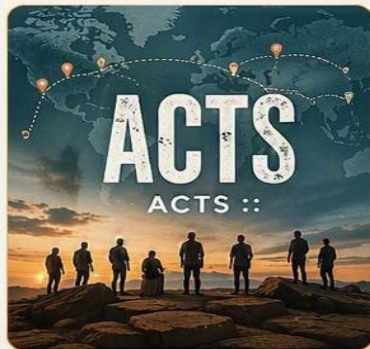


Vengeful?



Demanding?

Learn about the foundational description of God's attributes found in the book of Exodus.



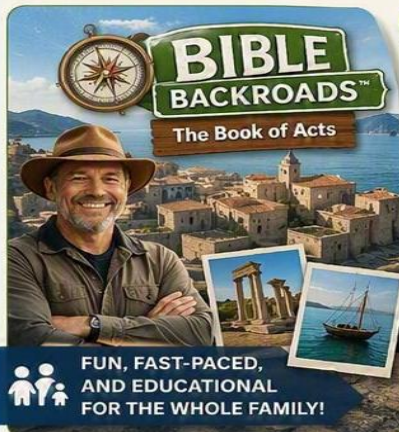
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## Acts: Acts :: RightNow Media

Francis Chan +5

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/en/content/details/886827>

In this compelling six-part series from the book of Acts, church leaders from nations around the world equip us to take the gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Join Francis Chan, Anne Zaki, Chadwick Mohan, Anand Mahadevan, Jorge Salazar, and Kwasi Amofo, and be inspired to lead as servants, overcome opposition in community, face persecution with boldness, and reframe your workplace as your mission field.



KIDS:

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**Joan Lund**, Financial Secretary

**Matthew Dailey**, Interim Office Administrator

**Jessica Lund**, Bookkeeper

**Worship Plans**

Sermon Series: *Spirit on the Move*

(A study through Acts of the Apostles)

July 26: *God Shows No Partiality* (CRE Beth Hewlett)

Acts 10:1-35

August 2: *When the Church Disagrees*

Acts 15:1-21

August 9: *An Unfinished Story* (Final Sermon in Series)

Acts 28:16-31

**UPCOMING MUSIC**

**August 2: Bruce Benson & Matthew Dailey**

**August 9: Bill Graves, saxophone**

**Mission Statement:**

***We Welcome All to Love, Share, Serve and Grow in Christ.***



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