

**First Presbyterian Church of Rolla**  
**Worship Service Third Sunday after Pentecost**

June 29, 2025

**Pre-Service Music:**     *Give Me Jesus* – Mark Hayes

**Welcome and Announcements:**

**Prelude:** *Save by Grace* – Tracy Craig McKibben

**Welcoming Song #646:**     *Sing Out, My Soul* (sing twice)

**Responsive Call to Worship/Prayer of the Day**

In the calm waters of the ponds and the bouncing waters of the rivers,

**you make a path, O God of wonders.**

In the playful waters of the streams that shape every rock and the furious waters of the whirlwinds coming down,

**you make a path, O God of wonders.**

We come to praise God, knowing that in the quiet and in the chaos of our lives,

**you will make a path. Let us worship God!**

**Prayer of the Day**

**Almighty God, we praise you that your blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you by their martyrdoms. Grant that your church throughout the world may always be instructed by their teaching and example, be knit together in unity by your Spirit, and ever stand firm upon the one foundation who is Jesus Christ our Lord, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn #438**     *Rock of Ages Cleft, for Me* v. 1, 2, 3  
(stand)

**Call to Confession**

Seeking to follow God, shepherd of our flock, and knowing  
how we have strayed,

**we humbly confess the ways in which we have  
sinned, that we might find grace.**

**Prayer of Confession**

**God of mercy, We confess that we too often give in  
to the yearnings of the flesh. We have impure  
thoughts. We idolize those who misuse power. We  
harbor jealousies and are quick to anger. We neglect  
to care for others and gratify our own desires.  
Forgive us, O God, and cleanse us of our sin. Lead us  
to ways of love, joy, and peace. Send your Spirit to  
engender patience, kindness, and generosity, and  
lead us to be gentle in our care for all of your people.**

**Declaration of Pardon**

Sisters and brothers, we are all called to freedom. Amidst  
thunderous storms and rocky waters, God reaches out to us  
in love.

**Thanks be to God. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

The peace of Christ be with you.    **And also with you.**

**Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Gloria #582:**                     *Glory to God*                     (please stand)

**Hymn of the Day #720:** *Jesus Calls Us* v. 1, 3, 4 (stand)

**Time for sharing joys and concerns, and the prayer list.**

## **Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

*Worship leader will lead the prayers.*

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

Guide your church, O God. Anoint us for service and make us messengers of your peace. Emboldened by the witness of Christians throughout history, send us to proclaim your reign come near.

God of grace. **Hear our prayer.**

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Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior, who taught us to pray.

**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. Amen**

**Hymn #688** *Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart* vs. 1, 3, 5  
(seated)

### **Prayer for Illumination:**

**Holy, Holy, Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak, and to give all glory, honor, and praise to your threefold name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Scriptures for the Day:**

**Old Testament Lesson:** I Kings 19:15 – 16, 19 – 21

**Gospel Lesson:** Luke 9: 51 - 62

**Epistle Lesson:** Galatians 5:1, 13 – 25

Heaven and earth will pass away, but the word of the Lord is forever.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon:** *Walking by the Holy Spirit* Susan Murray

**Affirmation of Faith:** Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32–33

**The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church’s mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God’s judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church’s own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God’s renewal of human life in society and of God’s victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.**

**Dedication of Tithes and Offerings:** (please be seated)

**Offering #697:** *Take My Life* vs. 1 and 4

**Prayer of Dedication:** John Birch-www.faithandworship.com

**We bring you only what is yours, Creator God,  
that you might use this offering and the giver  
for the building up of your kingdom and the glory of  
your name. Amen.**

**Sending Hymn #543:** *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep  
Me* vs. 1, 2, 4, 5 (stand)

**Charge and Benediction:** John Birch-www.faithandworship.com

(remain standing)

Go in peace. Live in love. **Serve the Lord**

**Postlude:** *How Majestic Is Your Name* – Michael W. Smith,  
arrg. Jay Rouse

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