

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 and the power and the glory, forever, Amen.*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

We Will Sing (Stone)

Ensemble

***DOXOLOGY #607**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
raise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

— Sending—

***HYMN #837**

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (What a Fellowship)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

We Are All One in Mission

Joshua Allen

You may sit after the light passes you in the aisle.



**First
Presbyterian
Church**

Henderson, Texas



*Serving God,
Honoring Creation,
Embracing Differences*



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*Then He said to them,
“Follow Me, and I will
make you fishers of men.”*

Matthew 4:19

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
HENDERSON, TX**

**5th Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024**

(*) Please rise in body or in spirit
Bold Italic Letters indicate congregational response

— Gathering —

INTROIT **Welcome Into This Place (Oliver)** **Ensemble**

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather this day in joy and Christian fellowship,
for we are the church of Jesus Christ!
We pray for the Holy Spirit to be among us,
opening our hearts and minds to the worship of God!

Liturgist: Steve Lowe

***HYMN #401** **Gather Us In (Here in This Place)**

CONFESSION

***Gracious God, our hearts are restless
until they find their home in you.
Forgive our pursuit of things that separate us from you.
We pursue success, realizing it will never be enough.
We desire more possessions, knowing they are empty.
We turn toward the world and hope we will find peace,
knowing the world cannot provide it.
Forgive us, we pray, and may our wandering hearts
find their rest in you alone. Amen.***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! In Christ, we are new creations.
The old life is gone, thank God! A new life has begun.
Know you are forgiven, and be at peace.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

ALLELUIA #586** ***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

— Word—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Acts 8:26-40 Bible p. 119, LG p. 155-156

SECOND READING
The word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

Matthew 4:18-22 Bible p. 3, LG p. 4

SERMON

Gone Fishin' **Rev. Danny Crouch**

— Response—

SOLO **Pass It On** **Joshua Allen**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (adapted from *Belonging to God: A First Catechism*)

***We are the church:
the people who believe the good news about Jesus,
who are baptized, and who share in the Lord's Supper.
Through these means of grace,
the Spirit renews us so that we may serve God in love.
We believe the good news that gives us comfort
that we belong to our faithful Savior Jesus Christ,
who died and rose again for our sake,
so that nothing will ever separate us from God's love.
We know this good news through reading the Bible
and hearing it taught and preached.
The Holy Spirit inspired those who wrote the Bible
and helps us rely on its promises today.***