# Extending God's Grace throughout Northeast Texas First Presbyterian Church—Winnsboro, TX Commissioned Pastor Jane Els

## May 18, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Chimes, the Flames, and the Waters Greetings and Announcements
\*=Stand. if able

## We Prepare to Receive the Word

#### Prelude

Call to Worship: (Responsive) (Psalm 148:11-13)
Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
Young men and women alike, old and young together!
Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

## **Opening Prayer**

\*Hymn: #408 (red hymnal) "Come We That Love the Lord"

### **Confession - Unison**

Eternal God, we dissociate from parts of your creation and falsely separate into clean and unclean. You call us to love one another and make more space at the table of belonging. Forgive our exclusion and judgment. Cleanse us of the sin that distorts your truth. [a moment for silent confession] Amen.

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

\*The 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. Amen."

#### We Receive the Word

## The Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading: Leviticus 19:18 @ Psalm Reading: Psalm 148 @

The Gospel Reading: John 13:31-35

@- This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Love One Another"

## We Respond to The Word

\*Hymn: #492 "Baptized in Water"

Reception of Tyler and Bryanna Lenius and Baptism of Larry Lenius (see bulletin insert)

Prayers of Intercession
The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

\*The Doxology - Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #357 "O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction response: #106 "Alleluia, alleluia! Give Thanks" (Refrain) Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His Name

#### To our guest

We are so glad that you joined us today. We believe that it was no accident that you came here, and that God has given us the opportunity to share the love, grace, and saving gospel of Jesus with you. And so, it is our prayer that you feel loved in this place, and we want you to know that you are welcomed no matter what is going on in your life. We will embrace you with the same grace that God has embraced us with, and we will proclaim to you the same good news that has called us and saved us. If you want to make this church your home, and these people your family let us know after the service or by phone or email later this week. We would love to welcome you into Jesus' family.

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