



# Abbott

Memorial Presbyterian Church

May 5, 2024

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“...worship is the goal and the fuel of missions:

Missions exists because worship doesn't.

Missions is our way of saying: the joy of knowing Christ is not a private, or tribal, or national or ethnic privilege. It is for all. And that's why we go. Because we have tasted the joy of worshipping Jesus, and we want all the families of the earth included.”

— John Piper —

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**To those joining us in person and online today...THANK YOU!**

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, Abbott Church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Para todos los que están espiritualmente agotados y anhelan descanso; para todos los que buscan consuelo; para todos los que luchan batallas y desean victoria; para todos los que pecan y necesitan un Salvador; para todos los que son extraños y quieren comunidad; para todos los que tienen hambre y sed de justicia; y para todos los que quieren venir, la Iglesia Abbott abre ampliamente sus puertas y les ofrece bienvenida en el Nombre de nuestro Rey Jesús Cristo.*

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**HOW CAN I SERVE THE LORD AT ABBOTT?**

**Prayerfully consider where you can serve the Lord here at Abbott.**

**Sign-up sheets are in the narthex** to serve on a specific Sunday(s). We will begin posting the next week’s servers in the bulletin and weekly emails. These are important ways to serve our Lord and the body here. Questions? Please contact Debbie or Pastor Chris.

- **Special Prayer Team** (*pray with individuals right after the service*)
- **Preparing Communion** (*prepare trays before the service*)
- **Greeter** (*greet individuals in the narthex before the service*)
- **Sunday School Assistant** (*for children - helpers and assistants in training*)

**We Care Bags-** Please consider purchasing some of the items listed below and place in the We Care Box in the foyer to serve those need in our community. Canned food items w/ pop top opener, peanut butter, ramen noodles in a cup, granola bars, tooth brush and paste, bar of soap, hand sanitizer, winter hat, socks, gloves. You can leave items in the kitchen or in the box in narthex.

**Driver to help pick up grad students in the Harbor East-Fells Point area.** If you can help with picking up students in this area of the city for worship around 10:15 AM on Sunday mornings please contact Pastor Chris. We are trying to serve this area where many international students live.

**Salaam Center Tutoring Needs:** Our ministry partners a block away from Abbott have a tutoring program twice a month on Saturdays fro 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. (next date is 1/27) and are in need of tutors and transportation helpers as they minister to recent refugees from the Middle East. If you are interesting in serving, please contact Yoonah by email at [volunteersalaam@gmail.com](mailto:volunteersalaam@gmail.com).

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**The tear-off portion of the bulletin** can be put in the offering plate with prayer request to let us know how we may serve you, or just to let us that you were here.

## GREETING AND GOD'S WELCOME

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

## PRAYER FOR THE LORD'S PRESENCE

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Please stand if you are able)* Psalm 22:22-27

Leader: I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:

People: **You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him, and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!**

Leader: For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.

People: **From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will perform before those who fear him.**

Leader: The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord! May your hearts live forever!

Together: **All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

*Oh! Great is Our God*

**Oh! Great is our God! So we should worship greatly!!**

**No song is too loud! No orchestra too stately**

**To hail the majesty of our King**

**So lift your voices loud as we sing**

**Oh! Great is our God! So let our songs be endless!!**

**So awesome His ways, how could we comprehend them?**

**So we will make it known to our kids**

**And we will sing about the gracious gifts You give** *(continued)*

**Chorus: We will sing Your praise and pour forth Your fame  
We will bless Your name  
Let every one give thanks, because our God is great!**

**Oh! Great is our God! And we cannot contain it!  
We sing from our souls, affected by His greatness  
His mercy covers all that He's made  
Showing His glory and His grace [Chorus 3x]**

**CONFESSION OF FAITH            The Apostle's Creed – Second Century A.D.**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**SONG OF HOPE**

*Mighty to Save*

**Everyone needs compassion,  
A love that's never failing;  
Let mercy fall on me.**

**Everyone needs forgiveness,  
The kindness of a Savior;  
The Hope of Nations.**

*(continued)*

**Chorus: Savior he can move the mountains,  
My God is mighty to save,  
He is mighty to save!  
Forever author of salvation,  
He rose and conquered the grave;  
Jesus conquered the grave!**

**So take me as you find me,  
All my fears and failures;  
Fill my life again.**

**I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in,  
Now I surrender.**

**Chorus: Cristo puede mover montes  
Solo Dios puede salvar  
Mi Dios puede salvar  
Por siempre, autor de salvación  
Jesus la muerte venció El la muerte venció.**

**Shine your light and let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory of the Risen King... Jesus [2x]**

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## PASTORAL PRAYER and THE 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 now and  
forever. Amen.

## SONG OF PREPARATION

*Living Hope*

How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished the end is written  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

### Chorus (2x)

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!  
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!  
You have broken every chain, there's salvation in Your name  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me

*(continued)*

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Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me

Jesus, Yours is the victory!

[Chorus 2x]

Jesus Christ, my living hope  
Oh God, You are my living hope

**OFFERING** *The offering is a way for members and friends of Abbott Church to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give. You can mail your giving to the church or if you would like to give online, you may do so at [www.abbottchurch.org/giving](http://www.abbottchurch.org/giving).*

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**SCRIPTURE FOR THE SERMON**                      *Romans 1:1-15 (p.1116 in pew Bible)*  
Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, 2 which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, 3 concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh 4 and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, 5 through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, 6 including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

7 To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints:  
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world. 9 For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I mention you 10 always in my prayers, asking that somehow by God's will I may now at last succeed in coming to you. 11 For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you— 12 that is, that

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we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine. 13 I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles. 14 I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. 15 So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

Rev. Chris Garriott

A Passion for the Gospel and the Nations

## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Communion, also called the Lord's Supper, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ to participate. If you are not a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*1 John 1: 5,6,8,9*

**Together: "God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth...If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."** (Silently confess your sins.)

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Romans 8:1,2*

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death."

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

## DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS



## SONG OF RESPONSE

*Here the Call of the Kingdom*

Hear the call of the kingdom  
Lift your eyes to the King  
Let His song rise within you  
As a fragrant offering  
Of how God rich in mercy  
Came in Christ to redeem  
All who trust in His unfailing grace.

Hear the call of the Kingdom  
To be children of light  
With the mercy of heaven  
The humility of Christ  
Walking justly before Him  
Loving all that is right  
That the life of Christ may shine through us.

Chorus:

King of Heaven we will answer the call  
We will follow bringing hope to the world  
Filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim  
Salvation in Jesus' name

Hear the call of the Kingdom  
To reach out to the lost  
With the Father's compassion  
In the wonder of the cross  
Bringing peace and forgiveness  
And a hope yet to come  
Let the nations put their trust in Him"

[Chorus 2x]

## BENEDICTION

*Those who desire special prayer may come to the front left of the chapel.  
after the service.*



## PRAYERS FOR REFLECTION

### **Prayer for those searching**

*Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.*

### **Prayer of belief**

*Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weak and sinful, but through you I am loved and accepted. I thank you for taking my place in death, in order to offer me forgiveness and renewal. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and my Lord. Amen.*

### **Prayer for those struggling with sin**

*Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and faithfully follow you in life. Amen.*

### **Prayer of commitment to God's people**

*Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the steps necessary to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.*

### **Prayer of thanksgiving**

*Lord, you have put gladness in our hearts; you have satisfied our hunger with good things. In giving all, you have not withheld from us your own dear Son. How can we withhold anything from you, our Lord and our God? Renew us day by day with the gift of your Spirit, that we may give ourselves completely to your service and walk with joy in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

**MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES WHICH WE SUPPORT:**

- Andy and Bev Warren with MTW with Ethiopia
- Jason and Liz Polk with MTW in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- Bert and Nancy Williams with MTW in Uganda
- Br^ce & P@t with MTW in a sensitive area
- Jacob Jasin with RUF-I at Johns Hopkins University
- Trip Beans with RUF at University of Maryland Baltimore County
- Ryan Bratt with RUF at University of Maryland College Park
- Abbott Center for the Arts

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## HE HEARS

*"This is the assurance we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us."*

— 1 JOHN 5:14

### **Please pray for:**

- Pastor Chris and the church leadership, for God to show us how to draw visitors and seekers to Abbott.
- Family members and friends who are not walking with Christ.
- Ongoing health concerns for these members and friends: Dawn Brewer, Larry Halterman, Phyllis Brown, Billie Mitchell, David Files.
- Cleo Garriott (Pastor Chris' mother) recovering from a stroke, pray for increased strength in her right side and for improved clarity.
- Jackie Lubin with Parkinson's disease, for comfort and peace as she has returned home for in-home hospice care.
- Tom Lubin for strength, endurance, and peace as he cares for Jackie.
- Paula Polek (Joan Kelly's daughter), diagnosed with leukemia.
- Ed Allison (Debbie's brother-in-law) wisdom for doctor to determine the safest followup treatment; for Ed's comfort, speech, and swallowing.
- Lorraine Sapp, for her vision, arthritis, anxiety, continued healing of wrist.
- Kathy Williams (Guy Williams' wife) with liver disease.
- Barb Huhn to regain her strength and return to us soon.
- Walter Karczmarek, for continued healing and strength, and for Dave as he cares for his father.
- Terry Looney, recovering from a blood clot in his lower leg.
- Jason Wockenfuss, for wisdom and patience in securing a new home.
- Violet Flynn with dementia, and for her children caring for her.
- Lydia Frasca, struggling with pain from stage 4 cancer.
- Lawrence Choate, for continued improvement, strength, and peace.
- Joann Choate, battling cancer; relief from hip pain.
- Carmen Ohlinger, Lawrence and Joann's granddaughter for safety; she is deployed in a carrier strike group in the Persian Gulf.
- Missionaries that we support, listed on page 14.
- Those in our military, police, and fire departments.
- Leaders in our community, City, State, and Nation.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

**Giving Envelopes** are on the table in the Narthex for weekly tithes and offerings and the monthly deacons offering (the first Sunday of each month).

**CHANGE IN ONLINE GIVING: Online giving is no longer through easyTithe.**

It is through Fluid Pay, which has lower fees and will save the church money. You can set up recurring gifts or send a one-time gift to Abbott through Fluid Pay at [abbottchurch.org/giving](http://abbottchurch.org/giving) and designate your gift for the General Fund, Deacons Fund, or Ministry Renewal (which especially is raising money for a Youth Minister). Thank you.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Fellowship Luncheon TODAY**, following the service in Room 8. All are welcome.

**Open Session Meeting - Tuesday, May 7th** at 6:00 p.m. in Room 8. Everyone is welcome. We encourage your ideas as we seek to grow as a church. (*Session meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month.*)

**Prayer and Chili - Sunday, May 17th** 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. in the manse. Come eat, fellowship, and pray for one another, Abbott, Baltimore, and the Kingdom of God. Side dishes and desserts are welcome.

**Saturday, June 15th - Men's Breakfast** at 9:00 a.m. in Rooms 7 & 8 for boys and men of all ages. Come for the food, fellowship, door prizes, and a short message titled "Sheep Are Dumb."

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### WEEKLY EVENTS:

**Women's Bible Class** Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in Room 7.

**Children's Sunday School** at 9:30 a.m.

- Pre-school and K in the church library with Jeanette Beaudry;
- Grades 1-6 in Room 8 with Ann Pfeifer.

**Wednesday Prayer Meeting via Zoom**, 12:00-12:30 p.m. A link to the meeting is in the weekly email from Pastor Chris, or email [julius@abbottchurch.org](mailto:julius@abbottchurch.org) for a link or to submit prayer requests. You can join in at any time during the half hour.

**Thursday Bible study**, 11:30 a.m. in room 8, using Max Lucado's book, They Walked with God: 40 Bible Characters who Inspire Us. Consider joining this fun, growing group!

**Thursday Community Group**, around 6:30 p.m. in room 8 or outside. Come enjoy the fellowship and games. Bring snacks, food from home or carry-out. We close with prayer for our community and church.

**Friday AA Meetings** at 7 p.m. in Rooms 7 & 8. Meetings are led by Jim Younger, and last approximately one hour.

**\*\*\* SEE THE INSIDE COVER FOR WAYS TO SERVE THE LORD AT ABBOTT! \*\*\***

**CONGREGATION AND  
COMMUNITY CARE:**

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Chris Garriott  
PASTOR

Julius Fischer Jr. - Elder  
MINISTER OF MUSIC

George Lenning - Elder  
CLERK OF SESSION



**Use This Space for Prayer  
Requests, Ideas and Concerns**

(Please tear off and place in the offering plate)

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## Welcome to Abbott.

We're glad we worshiped  
with you today!

May 5, 2024

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## How may we serve you?

(please check the appropriate box)

- I am a visitor
- I would like to find out about how  
to become a Christian
- I am interested in membership  
*(Abbott schedules classes regularly)*
- I would like a call from the pastor
- I would like prayer
- I would like to join a  
community group
- My contact information has changed

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