



FIRST PRES
COLORADO SPRINGS

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY 8:30 A.M.
APRIL 19, 2026



Good morning, First Pres! It is so good to be together today.

Whether you've been here for years or you're joining us for the first time, this is a place where you are welcome—you've found a place where we see lives transformed in the power of Christ, shaping believers into Christian disciples who proclaim the light of the gospel and demonstrate the life of Jesus in our city and beyond.

NEW HERE? If today is your first time with us, we want to meet you! Please fill out a New Here card, which you can find in the seat pocket in front of you. Whether you're looking for community, a place to serve, or just have questions about what it means to follow Jesus, we're here to walk that journey with you. Stop by the Welcome Center in the Plaza to ask questions or take next steps to get connected.

LIGHT + LIFE *for the* **CITY**

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Fanfare and Allegro on the Doxology

Composer: Steve Kellner

Steve Kindermann and Tim Baird, trumpet;
Sarah Ford, horn;
Mark Burditt and Ray Cramer, trombone;
Tyler Perea, tuba; Steve Williams, conductor

INTROIT

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name

Composer: Tom Fettke

Chris Owenby, director

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dave Steane

HYMN OF PRAISE

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

No. 96

DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS + PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell

SONGS OF ADORATION

Holy Are You Lord

Composer: Rachel West

Vera Skar, co-conductor

Holy Forever

Arranger: Marty Hamby

Light + Life Kids Choir, 3rd-6th grade
Rachel West and Adam Haas, directors;
Jaron Klassen, piano

CALL TO CONFESSION

Lord God, through the death and resurrection of Jesus, You gave us new life. You freed us from the addiction of going our own way. You brought us back to Yourself. You made it possible to live for You. You made it possible to live like You. But we have lived as if You never defeated sin and death. We have too often gone our own way, and we are living in darkness and decay. Forgive our wandering ways. By Your Holy Spirit, remind us that we are free from those things that enslave us.

Make us so grateful for Your redeeming work that we will live wholeheartedly with You and for You. We pray this in the name of our liberating Savior, Jesus. Amen.

RESPONSE

Nothing But the Blood

APOSTLES' CREED

Rev. Greg Hartnett

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Grace

Composer: Carolyn Hamlin

SERMON

Freedom From and Freedom For

Romans 7:1-14 (*pg. 1715*)

Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Rock of Ages | No. 384

Composer: Ralph Vaughan Williams

Elisa Wicks, violin

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

At the Name of Jesus

Composer: Cindy Berry

Jason Crowe, bass; Scott Barbier, percussion;
Wayne Wilkinson, guitar

PRAYER OF RESPONSE + THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

No. 405

CHARGE + BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Arranger: Lloyd Larson

**“We know that the law is spiritual;
but I am unspiritual, sold as a
slave to sin.”**

Romans 7:14

READ AHEAD!

Next week, Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell will preach a message titled *Inner Peace*, from Romans 7:15-25

NEED PRAYER?

- Find a pastor or Prayer Team member with a large red lanyard
- Fill out a Prayer Request card located in a pew pocket or in the Narthex.
- Email prayer@firstprescos.org

Sign up for weekly emails to stay in the loop with everything happening at First Pres.



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You can also connect with us on your favorite social media platform:



[@firstprescos](https://www.instagram.com/firstprescos)

IN MEMORIAM:

Barbara DiFiore

March 27, 2026

Tom Hatton

April 2, 2026

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:

Lorri Chappell

Wednesday, April 22 at 10:30 am

To view upcoming memorials, visit firstprescos.org/memorials

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL:

Diana Borden

Memorial North

Please contact the church if you or another member are hospitalized.

FLOWER FUND IN MEMORY OF:

Doug, Connie & Tyler Harsh

By Harsh & Zwoyer families

Flowers by: He Loves Me Flowers

MILITARY MUSTER

Join us Thursday, April 23 at 10 a.m. for a talk on VA benefits with SFC (Ret.) Rich Gagne, El Paso County Veteran Service Officer. All active duty military, veterans, spouses, and family members are welcome!

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The Happenings

Find all upcoming events online.
[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/CALENDAR](https://firstprescos.org/calendar)

40 DAYS OF PRAYER

Join our church family for 40 Days in a Spirit of Prayer, April 15–May 24. Together we will seek the Lord through prayer, fasting, and times of gathering as we pray for our church, our city, and our world. Visit our webpage to learn more and sign up for daily prayer prompts.

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/PRAYER40](https://firstprescos.org/prayer40)



FELLOWS HOST FAMILIES NEEDED!

We have a real need for Fellows host families this year. By opening your home for nine months, you offer more than a place to stay—you share life, faith, and hospitality with a young adult growing in Christ. Families of all stages can serve in this meaningful way. Maybe yours is next?

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/HOSTFAMILIES](https://firstprescos.org/hostfamilies)



WOMEN'S WORSHIP NIGHT

Come seek God together at a Women's Worship Night. Come worship and pray with your sisters in Christ! Worship from 6:30 - 7:30pm in the Worship Center. Free childcare available!

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/WOMEN](https://firstprescos.org/women)



BELONG | FIND YOUR PEOPLE

Belonging starts by discovering the life God is inviting you into. At First Pres, we want to help you find your rhythm of worship, your people to grow with, and your place to live for others.

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/BELONG](https://firstprescos.org/belong)



DERBY DAY TEA PARTY

Celebrate the bond between moms and daughters at Derby Day with tea, treats, and fun. Wear a hat if you'd like! Ages 2+ are \$15, and children under two are free. Please include them in your registration.

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/TEAPARTY](https://firstprescos.org/teaparty)

