

# *First Presbyterian Church*



## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

We live and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, service, and witness. As a Christ-centered church empowered by the Holy Spirit, we seek God's plan for each of us and all of us. We welcome everyone to journey with us as we strive to grow in love, faith, trust, and discipleship.

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## **OPENING PRAYER**

Liturgist

Loving and forgiving God, be present with us now, as we offer praise and thanksgiving for the abundance that we have received through your grace. You have gathered us in, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south, to be your people. Like a loving parent, you have sustained our needs—sharing your love with us, satisfying our thirst, and filling our hunger with good things. Help us, Lord, to heed your call, that we might find deliverance through Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

**\*HYMN:                   “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”                   BLUE 417**

## **\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

Pastor

Sin shuts us down and stops us short of hearing of God’s Word. Let us open ourselves to hearing God’s truth and free ourselves to follow God’s path.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of Hope and Promise, we confess we do not always believe. We confess that our questions and complaints catch up to us. We cannot understand our suffering and the suffering of others. Forgive us when we give up on you and ourselves. Return and restore us to right relationship. Help us to not disengage but remain steadfast in faithful dialogues of grace. Amen.**

*Silence is kept*

## **\* SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*KYRIE:   *Lord have mercy upon us;  
Christ have mercy upon us;  
Lord have mercy upon us***

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Pastor

God’s grace is given freely. God’s love is steadfast. Receive the good news that you are forgiven, and live liberated from sin to the glory of God. **Hallelujah! Our sins are forgiven through the love of God and Christ’s sacrifice.**

**\*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. Amen.*

**\* SHARING THE PEACE: (Social Distancing)**

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us show one another a sign of God's peace.

**– PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD –**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Led by Liturgist

**Your Word guides every step of our journey, God. Help us be attentive to your Word read and proclaimed today, so we can hear your message and act according to your will. Amen.**

**Responsive Psalm: Psalm 33:1-5,11-12,16-22**

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Leader: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous.  
Praise befits the upright.

**People: Praise the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings.**

Leader: Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts, For the word of the LORD is upright,

**People: He loves righteousness and justice;  
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.**

Leader: The counsel of the LORD stands forever,  
the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

**People: Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD,  
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.**

Leader: A king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

**People:**     **The war horse is a vain hope for victory,  
and by its great might, it cannot save.**

Leader:     Truly the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those  
who hope in his steadfast love, to deliver their soul from death  
and to keep them alive in famine.

**People:**     **Our soul waits for the LORD;  
he is our help and shield.**

Leader:     Our heart is glad in him because we trust in his holy name.

**People:**     **Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,  
even as we hope in you.**

NEW TESTAMENT:             Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16             Liturgist  
  This is the Word of Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

GOSPEL:                     Luke 12:32-40             Pastor  
  This is the Word of Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON:                     "Ready and Willing?"             Pastor

**\*HYMN**                     **"I'd Rather Have Jesus"**             **RED 650**

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From A Brief Statement of Faith)**

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.**

**In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.**

**We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.**

## **INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP (From 2 Corinthians 9:7)**

Liturgist

**"God loves a cheerful giver." Let us present our tithes and offerings to God with thankful hearts of praise for all we have received.**

*The offering plates are located at the front of the Chancel, or you can drop your offerings and tithes in the mail slot of the Parish House door. Thank you for your support of the mission of First Presbyterian Church.*

**OFFERTORY**

**"In Remembrance of Me"**

**Video**

**Cheri Keagy**

## **\* DOXOLOGY:**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.***

***Praise God, all creatures here below.***

***Praise God, above ye heavenly host.***

***Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen***

## **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Led by Liturgist

**God of abundance, everything we have is on loan from you. Help us be good stewards of all your precious resources. Bless these gifts we give in return that they might, in turn, be a blessing to others. Amen.**

## **GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

May the God of faith be with you!

**God be with you as well!**

Let us open our hearts in trust.

**God fills them with grace in every moment.**

Join with me in singing songs of thanksgiving.

**We lift our voices in glad adoration to our God.**

When there was . . . in praise and wonder:

**Holy, holy, holy are you, God who watches over us.**

**All creation trusts in your grace and hope.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is the One who comes to save us.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

By grace, you set aside glory . . . of resurrection's hope.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Day by day, dear Lord, of Thee, three things we pray,  
to see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly,  
follow Thee more nearly, day by day.**

By grace, we come to this Table. . . . mystery of salvation:

**Jesus died, to bring light into death's gloom.  
Jesus was raised, to bring life to all God's people.  
will come, so all are welcomed by God.**

Lord Jesus, . . . remembrance of me.

**Every time we eat this bread, every time we drink this cup,  
we proclaim the death of the Lord, until he comes.  
Until He comes.**

Now you come, Holy God, . . . Holy in One. Amen.

## **SHARING THE MEAL**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

As your people, O God, through the grace given us at this table, help us to be bring light into the shadows, to invite strangers and those estranged into our hearts, to set the table for everyone. As those gifted by the Spirit, help us be ready to choose love, not hate and to share that love with all whom you bring near. Amen.

**\*HYMN:                      Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us                      BLUE 387**

## **COMMISSION AND BLESSING**

### **\*THREEFOLD AMEN**

### **\*POSTLUDE**

**– GO OUT TO SHARE THE WORD OF GOD –**

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The chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Marida & Albert Zimmaro by Judy Latchem.

**Those Serving Among Us Today**

Liturgist today is Bobbi Jo Huebner.

Greeter today was Maxine Brownlee.

**Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Aug.7- Sally Callaway Breslin Trubiani	Aug. 12- John Rapchak Aug. 14- Emma Burkley Aug. 16- Jennifer Davis
Aug. 11- Scott Jupin Donna Sichi Luke Zeli	
Aug. 7- Bill & Chemen Callaway Aug. 12- John & Kay Conger	

**THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN:**

**TODAY:** Worship at 10 am; Communion

**TUESDAY:** Bible study at 2 pm

**WEDNESDAY:** Homeless Bag Project 9 am to 1 pm

**FRIDAY:** Peach Pie Making in the FH

**SATURDAY:** Peach Festival from 11 am – 3 pm

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Worship at 10 am

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**COMMUNION OFFERING:** This week's communion offering will go to the local Salvation Army. The Salvation Army is committed to meeting human need wherever it is needed in our community throughout the year.

**OFFERINGS:** Thank you for your faithful support of the church and its ministries. The offering plates are located on the windowsills at the front.

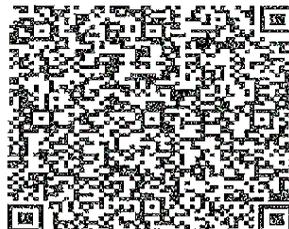
**PEACH PIES:** Peach pies will be made this Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> and August 19<sup>th</sup>. Cost of the pies will be \$12 each. We will be making a **limited** number of pies so please order early by calling the church office. All help will be needed on those Fridays to help peel the peaches and make pies. Thank you for all your support.

**DONATIONS:** Donations of flour and Crisco are now being accepted to help with the expenses of peach pies and chicken pies. You may bring them to the church or drop them off at the Parish House.

**LAUREL HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:** Is celebrating 250 years of service and worship and invites us to join them on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 am for their worship service that includes gospel music by the Inner Light Band and refreshments after worship.

**ONLINE GIVING:** Want to support FPC? Scan this QR code with your mobile device to access the system.

To make a onetime gift or to sign up for our online giving program, scan this QR code with your mobile device. All donations are processed through the Presbyterian Foundation and VANCO giving services and is secure and protected.



## PRAYER LIST

Please remember the following people in your thoughts and prayers.  
Please call the office with prayer needs, updates, and questions or e-mail the church at [office@fpresbv.org](mailto:office@fpresbv.org).

† John & Marlene Amoroso † Kaiden Bane † Brian Barkby †  
Nuncio Battista † Bill Behrens † Mary Lou Berish † Nadine Brewer †  
Garret Brigs † Frank Britton † Kathy Buckalew † Angel Burnsworth †  
Joe Burnsworth † Colin † Sally Callaway † Sally Campbell † Frank  
Caristo † Jim Caristo † Milana (Berish) Cerniga † Michael Colla †  
Lou Comadina † Glenn Crownover † Dorothy Dodroskey † Carol  
Driver † Sandy Elder † MaryAnn Falk † Norm Floyd † Howard  
Forsyth † Ed Friedenberger † Carol Gillon † Patti Huyck † Diane  
Johnston † Zoey Johnson † Earlene Kalakewich † Janet † June  
Kefover † Donna Kearns † Cameron Kennedy † Robert Korff †  
Irene Leyda † Mike Lemley † J.T. Mateka † Taylor McGee †  
Bruce Merritt † Dean Migliori † Mrs. Munsen † Tim and Melissa  
Nagelreiter † Joanne Nelson † Mary Caroline Nicholas † Bob Palfrey  
† June Palfrey † Nora Pelezar † Darlene Perrotta † Helen Pulgina †  
Dennis Raymer † Colleen Ray † Dorothy Rogers † Gordon  
Rutherford † Clare Sartori † Sandy Seeley † Alina Shaw † Linda  
Shuler † Chris Sicora † Toi Smith † Walter Smith † Gianna Smoyer  
† Ruth Ann Spark † Laura Stopka † Patty Strychalski † Neville Vasho  
† Leroy Walters † Sandy Walters † Joseph Waywood †  
Yauger Family † Barb Zucconi † Kim Zunic †

**Pray for the safety and protection of  
First Responders (police, fire, EMTS),  
Military Personnel, Medical Personnel,  
and those affected by senseless violence and war.**

*( If you have a prayer concern or to update the list,  
please call the office at 724-929-7616 or  
fill out a prayer card and place in the offering plate)*



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<b>Head Usher:</b>	Bill Callaway	929-5176
<b>Custodian:</b>	Patty Gillon	929-7616
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## E L D E R S

### **Class of 2022**

Natalie Brewer  
Dee Hepple  
Mike Moravec  
Judy Latchem

### **Class of 2023**

Sharon Zunic  
Jane Bonari  
Mary Beth Burkley  
Bobbi Jo Huebner

### **Class of 2024**

BJ Thomas  
Lori Lamberski  
Carol Tragesser  
David Burdis

## D E A C O N S

### **Class of 2022**

Susan Aten  
Anne McCorkle  
Kerry McCorkle  
Barb Peters

### **Class of 2023**

Marguerite Patterson  
Dennis Peters  
Patty Gillon  
Eileen Kunca

### **Class of 2024**

Jessica Phillabaum  
Dave Neel