

# GATHERING

PRELUDE     *“Prelude on Crusader’s Hymn”*     arr. Sikes

## CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT     *“Here in this Place”*     Marty Haugen

## +CALL TO WORSHIP

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,

**that Christ Jesus came into the world  
to save sinners.**

Though the strong wind of judgement blows,  
all is not ended.

God will renew stubborn hearts

and soften stiff necks,

**for Jesus welcomed sinners**

**and ate with them,**

so we boldly come to make an offering of worship

to the God of mercy,

who seeks and saves the lost.

**Let us rejoice in the grace of our Lord!**

HYMN # 12     *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*  
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## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Create in us clean hearts, O God,

cast out any transgression you find there-

ransack, renovate, redecorate!

Deep in our hearts,

remove fearful features

and restore your original design.

The old lamps are dim;

bring new light into the darkness.

Make your dwelling place deep in our hearts,

and teach us wisdom,

so the hearts you transform may rejoice.

*(Silent Confession)*

## KYRIE #551

*Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,

that Christ came into the world to save sinners.

Believe the gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are redeemed.**

## +RESPONSE #581 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.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

# THE WORD

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING     Psalm 139: 1-10

Pew Bible Page 577

ANTHEM     *“The Gift of Love”*     arr. Hal Hopson  
Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING     Hebrews 13: 5,6

Pew Bible Page 227

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks Be to God.**

SERMON     “The Presence of the Lord”  
Reverend Herman Parker

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH     Apostles’ Creed

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;*

*and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by*

*the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius*

*Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell;*

*the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into*

*heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;*

*I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the*

*communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection*

*of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

+HYMN #423     *“Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God”*     SARADAY

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD’S PRAYER

## THE OFFERTORY

There are multiple ways to contribute to the ministries of First Presbyterian Eufaula:

An offering plate is located in the rear of the sanctuary or you may mail your

contribution to First Presbyterian Eufaula at 201 N. Randolph Ave, Eufaula, AL 36027,

drop it by the church office, or give online at [www.firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give](http://www.firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give).

## +DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here*

*below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy*

*Ghost. Amen.*

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

# SENDING

+CLOSING HYMN #649     *“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”*

AMAZING GRACE

## +BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE     *“Praise God”*     arr. Hal Hopson

+ Congregation Standing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME:** We welcome back to our pulpit today, Reverend Herman Parker.

We warmly welcome you to worship this morning and ask that you please sign the Friendship pad in your pew. Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the Triune God. In worship we acknowledge God, who is present in the world and in our lives. As we respond to God's claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, we are transformed and renewed. In worship, we offer ourselves to God and we are equipped for God's service in the world.

**Visitors:** We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting with us this morning. We invite you to come back and worship with us as often as possible. If you would like more information about our church, please see one of our Elders.

**Today, September 14th, 2:00-5:00PM** Margaret Beasley's family will be hosting an open house celebrating her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday at 128 Woody Johnson Rd Midway, Alabama.

**Wednesday, September 17th, 5:30PM-** light supper followed by Collegiate Special Choir Performance at 6:00PM. Everyone welcome! Hailey Beard and Tabitha Taylor are music majors at Columbus State University and are members of the Schwob School of Music. They also are a part of the choir at First Presbyterian Church. They will be performing at the National Collegiate Choral Organization conference at California State University, Fullerton. Their college choir director submitted recordings from previous performances and the Schwob Singers were invited to participate. We are so excited that they get to show off their talents to a larger audience. All of the Schwob Singers that are participating have been tasked to fund raise \$500 each to help offset the cost of this trip. We are happy to help them in this fund raising. There will be no admission charge but a love offering will be collected after the performance. Hailey and Tabitha are excited to be able to sing for you and are incredibly grateful for your support.

**Celebration September 28th, noon-** honoring Steve Hawkins 30th year anniversary as our organist!! Wow!! Come for reception and lunch following worship!

**Giving Fence** needs items. If you have anything that you don't need or want and think it is in good shape, please donate it for our Giving Fence. Also needed are personal and household items.

**Can Cross** needs food items. Please give what you are able to help those who need food in our community. Please place your items in the Can Cross outside the pastor's office.

**Wednesday Noon Prayer Service** will meet at the front of the sanctuary at noon.

Large print editions of the **Glory to God Hymnal** are available for use and can be obtained from an usher.

**Cares & Concerns:** David Nix, Teresa Barrett, Kaitlin Hoover Black, Betty Suddath, Judy Umstattd, Eden Coates, Jada Register, Fred McWaters, Carter McDonald, James Thompson, Darryl Kornegay, Melissa Scholl, Della Huffman, Carla Collins, Hilda Retherford, Linda Creel, Lincoln, Don Wood.

Please pray for our church and the Pastor Nominating Committee, specifically during their regular meeting on Thursdays at 4:00. At this time, please stop what you are doing and pray.

**Worshippers at Home:** Pegge Abraham, Jane Price

**Military Members:** Nicole Barrett, Lamar Flowers

**College Students:** Jake Cournoyer, David Dixon, James Dixon, Haley Helbing, Benjamin Powers, Jake Taylor, Tabitha Taylor, Hailey Beard, Logan Adams, John Stephen Powers, Gray Mitchell.

Weekly Calendar

**Sunday, September 14th**  
10:15 AM - Coffee and Fellowship / Choir Rehearsal  
11:00 AM –Worship with Reverend Herman Parker  
2:00-5:00 PM -Open House for Margaret Beasley's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday at her home at 128 Woody Johnson Rd. Midway Alabama

**Wednesday, September 17th**  
12:00 noon – noon prayer  
5:30 PM – light supper followed by Collegiate Special Choir Performance at 6:00. Please come and enjoy this beautiful music and fellowship!

**Thursday, September 18th**  
5:30PM – PNC meeting

**Sunday, September 21st**  
10:15 AM - Coffee and Fellowship  
11:00 AM – Worship

**Sunday, September 28th**  
Reception honoring Steve Hawkins 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary as our organist following worship!

SESSION		
<i>Class of 2025</i>	<i>Class of 2026</i>	<i>Class of 2027</i>
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14th Sunday after Pentecost  
September 14th, 2025