

GATHERING

PRELUDE “Of the Father’s Love Begotten” arr. Sikes

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GATHERING INTENTION Reverend Leigh Anne Armstrong

+CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist

Where can I go from your spirit, where to flee from your presence?
There is nowhere too far for your spirit to find me, for your presence to hold me.
The highest heights, the lowest depths, the farthest reaches of earth-
There is nowhere too far for your spirit to find me, for your presence to hold me.
The bright edge of morning, the dark middle of a new moon night-
There is nowhere too far for your spirit to find me, for your presence to hold me.

+HYMN #65 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”
CWM RHONDDA

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Armstrong

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. Armstrong

Ever-present God,
there is no place where you are not with us.
You see us at our worst and at our best.
There is so much we would hide from you-
the ways we harm your creation,
the ways we mistreat others,
the ways we turn away when we should turn toward.
Even as you know us, forgive us.
Guide our thoughts, our words, our actions,
that you may delight in us as we delight in you.

(Silent Confession)

KYRIE #551
Lord, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Armstrong

Beloved, hear the good news:
God knows us and forgives us
and leads us in the way of everlasting life.
Thanks be to God!

+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 | CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION LITURGIST

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 28: 10-19a
Pew Bible pg. 24 LITURGIST

ANTHEM “Rejoice Greatly” George Frederic Handel
Hailey Beard, Soprano

PSALM READING Psalm 139: 1-12, 23-23 Rev. Armstrong
Pew Bible pg. 577

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON “This Is the Gate of Heaven” Rev. Armstrong

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 arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. 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 #443 “There is a Redeemer” REDEEMER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY

+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 Rev. Armstrong

SENDING

+ HYMN #248 “Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!” ODE TO JOY

+BENEDICTION Rev. Armstrong

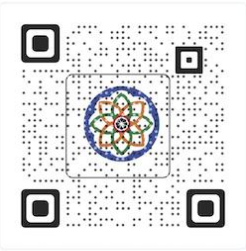
+POSTLUDE “Ode to Joy” Ludwig von Beethoven

+ Congregation Standing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We warmly welcome you to worship this morning. 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.

Rev. Leigh Anne Armstrong currently serves First Eufaula as our Stated Supply Pastor. She is available Sunday and Wednesday here at the church and can be reached at 334.687.2523 or via email at revlaarmstrong@gmail.com.



WELCOME 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 the minister or one of our Elders. So that we have a record of your attendance today, please open your camera app on your mobile phone, place the QR code in the frame, tap on the weblink when it appears on the screen. This will take you to a visitor’s information card to complete from your device. Thank you and again, welcome.

Assisting in Worship today are Liturgist Teresa Barrett, Sound Technician, Arnie Cutchen, Live Stream Technicians, Shelle Cooper & Marta Hoover.

First Presbyterian Church will host a luncheon in honor of Hailey Beard’s service to our music ministry and also her Master’s Commencement from the Schwob School of Music at Columbus State University, immediately following the service of worship on July 26th. All are welcome.

WOW (Worship on Wednesday) dinner at 5:15pm with Bible Study following. We continue to study hymns and their biblical connections, led by Rev. Armstong.

Our Giving Fence needs items. We are accepting gently used or new clothing, household, and personal items like toiletries, diapers, etc. for donation to our Giving Fence Mission.

The Can Cross Mission Project has been placed by the church office and is ready for a refill. Please bring non-perishable food for people with food insecurities in our community. Do not donate food that has expired or nearing expiration date. Specific requests are canned fruit, canned soup, breakfast bars, peanut butter and individual bowls of cereal and oatmeal.

Wednesday Noon Prayer Service meets in the front of the sanctuary at 12:00 PM. Please enter through the side entrance.
Glory to God Large Print Hymnals are available for use and can be obtained from an usher.
Cares & Concerns: Kaitlin Hoover Black, Betty Suddath, Judy Umstatt, Fred McWaters, Carter McDonald, Darryl Kornegay, Melissa Scholl, Della Huffman, Linda Creel, Christine Fisher, Teresa Orr, Don Wood, Andrew Peak, Carolyn Cousar, Joel Miller, Reb Bludsworth, Laura Taylor, Roger Coates, Jared Haynes, the family of Donald Vest. Please remember our church and the **Pastor Nominating Committee**, specifically during their regular meeting on Thursdays at 4:00.
Worshippers at Home: Pegge Abraham, Betty Cain,
Military Members: Nicole Barrett, Sydney and Garreth Moreno; and our **College Students:** Jake Cournoyer, Jake Taylor, Tabettha Taylor, Logan Adams, John Stephen Powers, Gray Mitchell, Isabella Peak, Anna Peak.

ONGOING EVENTS

Sunday
10:30 AM - Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM - Worship with Reverend Armstrong

Monday - Thursday
11:30 AM – 3:30 PM Church Office Open

Tuesday
8:00 AM – 2:30 PM The Giving Fence

Wednesday
12:00 PM - Noon prayer
5:15 PM - WOW dinner with Bible Study following

Thursday
4:00 PM – PNC meeting (alternating weeks)

UPCOMING



EVENTS – SAVE THE DATE!



Sunday, July 26th 12:00 PM Churchwide Hailey Beard Appreciation Luncheon after worship



The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed during the July 26th 11 a.m. worship service. All are welcome.



Sunday, August 30th
Annual Summer Hymn Sing Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

SESSION		
<i>Class of 2026</i>	<i>Class of 2027</i>	<i>Class of 2028</i>
Callie Strickland	Arnie Cutchen	Diana Brooks
Doug Winkleblack	Ginny Hornsby	Wayne Fiquett
Teresa Barrett	Emily Parrish	Steve Hawkins

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7th Sunday after Pentecost
July 19th, 2026