

GATHERING		
PRELUDE	“Steal Away”	African-American Spiritual
CHIMING OF THE HOUR		
GATHERING INTENTION	Reverend Leigh Anne Armstrong	
+CALL TO WORSHIP	Liturgist	
When I am confident, and my steps are sure, your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path. When I am shaken, moving from crisis to crisis, your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path. When I am teachable, ready to grow, your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path.		
+HYMN #109	“Blest Be the God of Israel”	MERLE’S TUNE
CALL TO CONFESSION	Rev. Armstrong	
PRAYER OF CONFESSION	Rev. Armstrong	
“ O God, we are quick to say, “We didn’t know.” “We didn’t mean to.” “We didn’t expect that to happen.” But we have not tended the soil of our lives. We let it stay shallow and rocky by not learning from the experience of others. We let it be riddled with thorns by succumbing to our own prejudices. Life-giving God, help us to tend our soil. Open us to being challenged, enable us to learn, so that your word will take root and bear good fruit in our lives.		
(Silent Confession)		
KYRIE #551		
Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.		

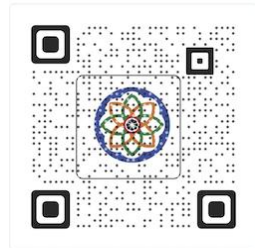
ASSURANCE OF PARDON		Rev. Armstrong
There is no condemnation for us: God has forgiven us that we might live according to the spirit. The Spirit of God dwells within us. Thanks be to God!		
+RESPONSE #581	GLORIA PATRI	
<i>Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.</i>		
ANNOUNCEMENTS CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH		Liturgist
THE WORD		
PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION		Rev. Armstrong
THE OLD TESTAMENT READING		Genesis 25: 19-34
Pew Bible pg. 21		Rev. Armstrong
ANTHEM	“Ave Maria” Hailey Beard, Soprano	Franz Schubert
GOSPEL READING		Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23
Pew Bible pg. 13		Liturgist
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.		
SERMON	Cup o’ Soup, Foodie Version	Rev. Armstrong

RESPONDING TO THE WORD		
+UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	Apostles' Creed	
<i>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.</i>		
+HYMN #451	"Open My Eyes That I May See"	
	OPEN MY EYES	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER		
THE OFFERTORY		
+DOXOLOGY		
	<i>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.</i>	
PRAYER OF DEDICATION	Rev. Armstrong	
SENDING		
+ HYMN #307	"God of Grace and God of Glory"	
	CWM RHONDDA	
+BENEDICTION	Rev. Armstrong	
+POSTLUDE	"Send the Light"	
	arr. Sikes	
+ 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.

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. Armstrong.

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. Sympathy to Edie and Wayne Fiquett on the passing of Edie's niece, Carla Collins after a long illness. 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, Tabetha 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!

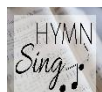
Sunday, July 26th



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 31st

Annual Summer Hymn Sing Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

SESSION

Class of 2026

Callie Strickland
Doug Winkleblack
Teresa Barrett

Class of 2027

Arnie Cutchen
Ginny Hornsby
Emily Parrish

Class of 2028

Diana Brooks
Wayne Fiquett
Steve Hawkins

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7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 12th, 2026