

First Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship

February 8, 2026

Prelude I *Celebration* – John Rutter

Prelude II *Build My Life* – Matt Redman

HolyGrounds Praise Band & Congregation

Video – Welcome. Join Us on the Journey

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Christian Johnson

Pass the Peace

*Responsive Call to Worship Todd Ramsey

One: Beloved friends, in a world full of noise and clever arguments, we come together today with hearts that ache for something deeper—a true connection with Jesus, the One who knows our fears, our joys, and our hidden longings.

Many: **We gather humbly, seeking the hidden wisdom of God, not in lofty words, but in the simple, scandalous love of Christ crucified, where true strength is found in weakness.**

One: Let us open ourselves to the Spirit who searches the depths of God and reveals mysteries beyond our understanding, drawing us into unity and trust like children leaning on a loving Father.

All: **Here we are, real and raw, ready to encounter the living Christ who meets us in our humanity. Come, let us worship with open hearts!**

*Opening Hymn *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak* #722, Vss. 1,2,5

Call to Confession Todd Ramsey

Unison Prayer of Confession

All-knowing God, we often believe our way is the best way. In our arrogance, we ignore your will and your ways. We confess our dependence on knowledge and our independence from you. Thank you that you are always gracious, ready to receive us and that your forgiveness never fails. We trust in your grace and commit to live in your grace so that others might know you.

Silent Confession

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

One: Praise the Lord! Blessed are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in his commands.

Many: **Their offspring will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

One: It is well with those who deal generously, who conduct their affairs with justice.

Many: **They have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever!**

All: **Let us worship God!**

*Doxology *How Majestic is Your Name* – Michael W. Smith

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Video – The Day

Time with our Children Pastor Christian

Prayer for Illumination Todd Ramsey

Old Testament Reading — Isaiah 58:1-12 (NRSVUE)

Anthem *Great is thy Faithfulness* – Mark Hayes
Sanctuary Choir

Sermon Rev. Christian Johnson
Knowing Nothing but Christ Crucified

Scripture — 1 Corinthians 2:1-16 (NRSVUE)

Hymn of Affirmation *I Can Only Imagine* – Bart Millard
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Minute for Ministry – Prayer Ministry Joy Schulz

Call to Offering Todd Ramsey

Offertory *Falling in Love with Jesus* – Jonathan Butler
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Prayer of Dedication/Pastoral Prayer Rev. Christian Johnson
The Lord’s Prayer

*Closing Hymn *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* #65

*Benediction Rev. Christian Johnson

Postlude *Toccata on “Hymn to Joy”* – Mark Thallander

***Please rise in body or spirit.**

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