

First Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship

August 23, 2026

Preludes

– Johannes Brahms

6 Klavierstücke, Op. 118: No. 5, Romance in F Major

Revolutionary Etude

– Frédéric Chopin

Video — A Church Welcome

Gathering

Garden Into Graves

– Lake, Brown, Furtick, Hudson

Open the Eyes of My Heart

– Paul Baloche

HolyGrounds Praise Band & Congregation

*Call to Worship

Our God

– Tomlin, Reeves, Redman

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Call to Confession

Jack Oliver

Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we often live as if You are distant. When the ground feels unsteady, we grasp for control. When the future is unclear, we fill the silence with our own anxious plans. We lean on our strength instead of Yours, and we forget that You are already near. Forgive the ways we have trusted ourselves more than You. Forgive the restless striving that crowds out quiet trust. Forgive the fears we have nursed instead of bringing to You. We turn to You now, not because we are worthy, but because You are faithful. Receive us again. Steady us again.

And in the quiet that follows, hear the confessions of our hearts...

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Pass the Peace

Video – A Childlike Faith

Time with our Children

Anita Ramsey

Prayer for Illumination

Jack Oliver

New Testament Readings – Hebrews 12:1-2 (NRSVUE)

Sermon

When the Map Fails

Rev. Christian Johnson

Scripture — Psalm 46 (NRSVUE)

Hymn of Affirmation

– Nockels, Carson, Reeves, Stanfill, Maher

Lord I Need You

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Minute for Mission – Church Facility Update

Jan Montgomery

Call to Offering

Jack Oliver

*Doxology

Our God is an Awesome God

– Rich Mullins

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Prayer of Dedication & Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Christian Johnson

*Closing Hymn

My Redeemer Lives

– Reuben Morgan

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*Benediction

Rev. Christian Johnson

Postlude

Jesus Loves Me

– arr. Jim Martinez

*Please rise in body or spirit.

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