

Service for the Lord's Day

September 13, 2026

10:30 a.m.



First Presbyterian Church

Asheboro, North Carolina

Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

“Nearer, Still Nearer”

arr. Dan Forrest

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

The Gathering of God’s People

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP “They Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet”

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 119

L: Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.

P: Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; I shall keep it with all my heart.

L: Your hands have made me and fashioned me; give me understanding, that I may learn your commandments.

P: Your word is a lamp unto my feet and a light upon my path.

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #307

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and loving God: You desire us to grow in grace. You yearn for us to learn your ways and follow where you lead. We stay put. We stay comfortable. We stay silent. God of all generations, teach us to speak your truth in love and help us to grow as Christ’s body, all knit together by your Holy Spirit. Build us up in faith, hope, and love, so that we may be faithful witnesses in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy.

P: Hear our prayer.

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S LOVE

RESPONSE OF PRAISE #581

“Gloria Patri”

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR KINDERGARTEN AND FOURTH GRADE CHILDREN

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Sunday School, Fall 2026

ANTHEM

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

arr. Rollo Dillworth

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Wiegenlied, Op. 24 no. 3”

Edward MacDowell

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 139: 1-18

L: The word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Faith Formation”

Rev. Brian K. Rummage

Responding to the Word

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Being Sent Into the World

HYMN #305

“Come Sing, O Church in Joy!”

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

We welcome you to worship this morning. If you are visiting with us, we hope you find our congregation to be a place of welcome and spiritual nurture. Please take a Visitor Gift Bag with a devotional book and other gifts and information about FPC, as our way of thanking you for worshipping with us. Visitor Gift Bags can be found just outside the center Sanctuary door in the Narthex or in the Hospitality Center.

Children's Worship and Nursery Ministries: Our infant nursery is located in room #114 on our Children's Ministry hallway immediately behind the sanctuary. If you are unfamiliar with our facilities, an usher will happily guide you.

Worship is the heart of church life and it is important that our children feel welcomed and are strengthened for their own walk of faith. At the appropriate time in the service, children are invited to come to the front of the church for our children's message time with Pastor Brian. Afterwards children are dismissed to either return to sit with their parents or leave with our Children's Ministry Director Carla Lovell.

For those who choose to participate in in our children's worship experience, younger children (preschool-1st grade) stay with Ms. Carla in Room 110. Older elementary age children (2nd-4th grade) will go to room 103. Our teachers will use this time to explore the different aspects of worship in a fun and engaging way.

Again, children are always welcome to stay for the entire "big church" service. As they grow and mature, we encourage them to be part of the full worshipping community.

In consideration of others, please silence or turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices.

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