

Service for the Lord's Day
High School Graduate Recognition Sunday

May 31, 2026

10:30 a.m.



First Presbyterian Church
Asheboro, North Carolina

Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

“Here I Am, Lord”

arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

The Gathering of God’s People

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

“Rooted and Growing”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 43:19, Proverbs 3: 5-6, Isaiah 43: 1, 4, 5

L: Thus says the Lord: “Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert!”

P: Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

L: Thus says the Lord: “I have called you by name, you are mine...”

P: “...you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you.”

L: Fear not, says the Lord, I am with you.

PROCESSION AND RECOGNITION OF OUR 2026 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES *Helen Britt*

Wesley Rummage

CHARGE AND BLESSING

HYMN #69

“Here I Am, Lord”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Augustine of Hippo (354–430)

**O God, full of compassion,
I commit and commend myself to you,
in whom I am, and live, and know.
Be the goal of my pilgrimage,
and my rest by the way.
Let my soul take refuge
from the crowding turmoil of worldly thought
beneath the shadow of your wings.
Let my heart, this sea of restless waves,
find peace in you, O God. Amen.**

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

ANTHEM "The Blessing" *Chancel Choir and Psalm 150, arr. Heather Sorenson*

PRESENTATION OF THE EDITH AND IRWIN RAY SCHOLARSHIP

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 "Give Me Jesus" *arr. Paul Johnston*

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 42: 5-9
NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 3: 14-20

L: The word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Rooted and Grounded In Love" *Rev. Brian K. Rummage*

Responding to the Word

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Colossians 3: 12-17*

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful.

Being Sent Into the World

SONG OF PRAISE "Build My Life" *Pat Barrett, Psalm 150*

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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