

Service for the Lord's Day

August 2, 2026

10:30 a.m.



First Presbyterian Church

Asheboro, North Carolina

Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”

arr. Gene Roberson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

L: The Lord be with you.

P: **And also with you.**

The Gathering of God’s People

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP “Raise a Song of Gladness”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 124:8, 100:1–2, 118:24

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

P: **maker of heaven and earth.**

L: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

P: **Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God’s presence with singing!**

L: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN #353

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ambrose of Milan

**Merciful God, save me from my sin
and let your Holy Spirit burn in me.**

**Take away my heart of stone
and give me a heart of flesh—
to love you and adore you,
to follow and enjoy you,
to delight in you forever;
through Jesus Christ my Lord. 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

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sebastian Hogle

ANTHEM

“Sanctuary”

arr. Lloyd Larson

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

“To the Rising Sun, Op. 4 no. 1”

Trygve Torjussen

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 15: 29-32
John 5: 1-9

L: The word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Compassion Fatigue”

Rev. Brian K. Rummage

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

HYMN OF PREPARATION #521 “In Remembrance of Me”

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: Let us pray...

Being Sent Into the World

HYMN #749

“Come! Live in the Light”

CHARGE AND BLESSING

**Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold onto what is good; return no one evil for evil; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL BENEDICTION “God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me”

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 worshiping 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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