Service for the Lord's Day

June 29, 2025 10:30 a.m.



Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- L: The Lord be with you.
- P: And also with you.

The Gathering of God's People

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

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Psalm 133 (The Message)

- L: How wonderful, how beautiful, when brothers and sisters get along!
- P: It's like costly anointing oil flowing down head and beard,
- L: Flowing down Aaron's beard, flowing down the collar of his priestly robes.
- P: It's like the dew on Mount Hermon flowing down the slopes of Zion.
- L: Yes, that's where God commands the blessing, ordains eternal life.

All: Hallelujah! Let us worship the Lord together as one!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN #749

"Come! Live in the Light!"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Adapted from a prayer by Beth Merril Neel

Great and gracious God, we lift up all the ways we hurt ourselves, hurt others, and hurt our relationship with you, our God:

For apathy,

For meanness,

For boredom,

For pride,

For judgment,

For gossip:

For all those ways we cause harm, we ask that you would forgive and heal.

Turn us toward you and make us whole.

This we pray in the name of our Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy.

P: Hear our prayer.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

RESPONSE OF PRAISE #447

"We Are Forgiven"

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

ANTHEM

"An American Hymn"

arr. Cecil Effinger

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears.
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood,
From sea to shining sea.

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

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 12: 9-18

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Acts 6: 1-6

L: The word of the Lord.P: Thanks be to God.

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SERMON "At the End of the Day, We Need One Another"

The Rev. Brian K. Rummage

HYMN #306

"Blest Be the Tie that Binds"

Verses 1, 3

Responding to the Word

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Phil. 2:5–11

- L: Live a life life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.
- P: Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath

and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Being Sent into the World

SONG OF PRAISE CHARGE AND BLESSING POSTLUDE "How Great is Our God"

Tomlin/Cash/Reeves, Psalm 150

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-5th 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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