

WELCOME VISITORS

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church. We are glad to provide hybrid and virtual worship services for this Sunday. Services are currently livestreamed on our Facebook page (First Presbyterian Church of Clarion) in real time, then archived to our website and YouTube channel.

At First Presbyterian Church our mission is to worship, grow, and serve as followers of Jesus. From our youngest to our oldest, we seek to worship God in our actions, grow in God’s love, and serve God’s people in our community and around the world. We hope that you will come join us so we may personally extend a warm welcome. If you have any questions or particular prayer needs, please feel free to contact the church office at 226-8145 between 9 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

For more information visit our website at www.clarionfirstpresby.org.

Find us on Facebook! (First Presbyterian Church of Clarion)

Video recordings of past sermons may be viewed by clicking the “Worship” link on our home page at www.clarionfirstpresby.org or a phone app is available at sermon.net (look for First Presbyterian Church—Clarion.) You can also choose to listen to an audio version. Simply pick the option that works best for you. Videos of Sunday worship are also posted on our Facebook page (see above).

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CHURCH STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

Pastor:	Rev. Rebecca Mihm
Organist:	Jean Mitrosky
Director of Music:	Bonnie Champion
Treasurer:	Ann Brooks
Secretary:	Cindy Kapp
Sexton:	Mike Hetrick
Sound Engineer:	Josh Deitz
Video Engineer:	Dan Willy

Ruling Elders:		
<u>Class of 2025:</u>	<u>Class of 2026:</u>	<u>Class of 2027:</u>
Jeff Deitz	Norma Kooman	Bill Champion
Jeff Kapp	Dave Larimer	Matt Kurtas
Kurt Nesbitt	Cindy Stants	Kathy Larimer

Deacons:		
<u>Class of 2025:</u>	<u>Class of 2026:</u>	<u>Class of 2027:</u>
Kim Lewis	Robin Cable	Barb Beggs
Lee Seitz	Tamalyn Goble	Stacy Hoffman
Lori Smith	Joey Kunselman	Bert Louder

WORSHIP NOTES

Pastor:	Rev. Erin Kobs
Lector:	Dave Larimer
Time with Children:	Dave Larimer
Director of Music:	Bonnie Champion
Organist:	Jean Mitrosky
Sound Engineer:	Josh Deitz/Jeff Kapp
Video Engineer:	Dan Willy/Kurt Nesbitt
Acolytes:	Clara Stants, Jeremy Willy, Andrew Scovel, Nathan Scovel, Sawyer Kunselman, Audrina Champion
Ushers in Charge:	Joey Kunselman, Stu and Stacey Hoffman

The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God, in memory of Roberta Tobiczky, by Elaine Matticks.

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

10:00 a.m.	Worship
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Choir rehearsal
12:00 p.m.	Congregational lunch @ Eagle Commons

WEEKLY DEPOSIT SUMMARY 10/5/25

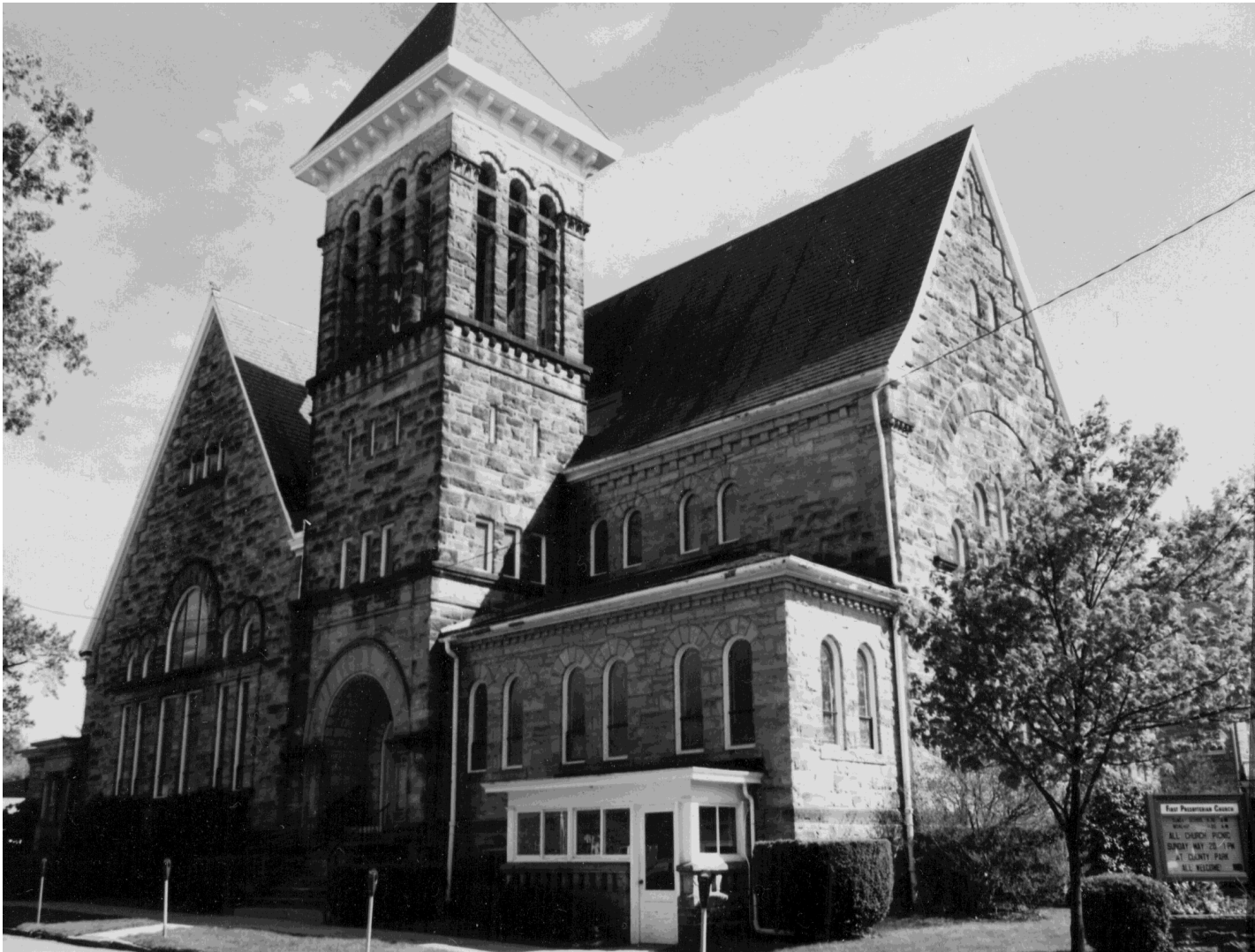
Weekly Contributions	
Envelope Contributions	\$3,310.00
Miscellaneous Cash Contributions	<u>\$85.00</u>
Total Contributions	\$3,395.00
Weekly Donations	
Property/Parking Lot	\$1,000.00
Men’s Fellowship	\$120.00
Caring Callers	\$25.00
Food Bags	\$300.00
Blessing Box	<u>\$300.00</u>
	\$1,745.00
Total	\$5,140

NOTES:

First Presbyterian Church



18th Sunday after Pentecost
October 12, 2025



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We come together to worship, grow, and serve as disciples of Christ.

	We Gather in God’s Name (Tune your car radio to 88.7 FM) 18th Sunday After Pentecost			Sermon “Welfare of the City” Rev. Erin Kobs		
				Organ Interlude ✦Hymn No. 22 God of the Sparrow		
				We Give Thanks to God Affirmation of Faith In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one Triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying “Come, Lord Jesus!” 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. Call for the Offering Offering and Offertory ✦Doxology ✦Prayer of Dedication		
				DOXOLOGY Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. 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.		
We silently shift our focus to God and prepare to worship. Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in bold. ✦ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.	Welcome and Announcements Lector, Dave Larimer					
	Prelude Cleansing Fountain Gilbert M. Martin					
	Chiming of the Trinity					
	Introit This Is The Day					
	Call to Worship Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing to the glory of God’s name. All of creation worships, singing praise to God. Sing to the glory of God’s name. Let us give glory to God.			✦Hymn No. 20 All Things Bright And Beautiful		
	✦Call to Confession			Joel Raney		
	✦Prayer of Confession (Unison) Holy God, when we are in need, we cry out for your mercy and healing. Yet, we confess that too often, we are confident in our own strength. We take the blessings to which we feel entitled and continue on our way, rather than returning to you in worship and praise. Jesus, have mercy on us! It is easy to take for granted the ease of life we so often experience, while failing to question why others are pushed to the margins and excluded. It is tempting to take pride in our health and strength rather than confronting ableism in all its forms. Jesus, have mercy on us! Help us to grow in compassion for all people. Redirect our paths so that we return to you, offering our praise and gratitude, now and always. Amen.					
	✦Declaration of Forgiveness The saying is sure: If we have died with Christ, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him. We are clothed with the righteousness of Christ. Our sin is forgiven! Thanks be to God.					
GLORIA PATRI Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen	✦Gloria Patri			Franklin Ritter		
	We Share God’s Word					
	Time with the Children Dave Larimer					
	Prayer of Illumination					
	First Scripture Psalm 66: 1-12 (p. 528)			Postlude Fantasia on WEBB		
	Second Scripture Jeremiah 29: 4-7 (p. 731)					
	The words of scripture, inspired by God. Thanks be to God.					
				POSTLUDE Please remember at the close of the service, the Postlude is a time to silently reflect on God and the mission to which we are called. We ask that you please remain silent and seated until the music has ended.		