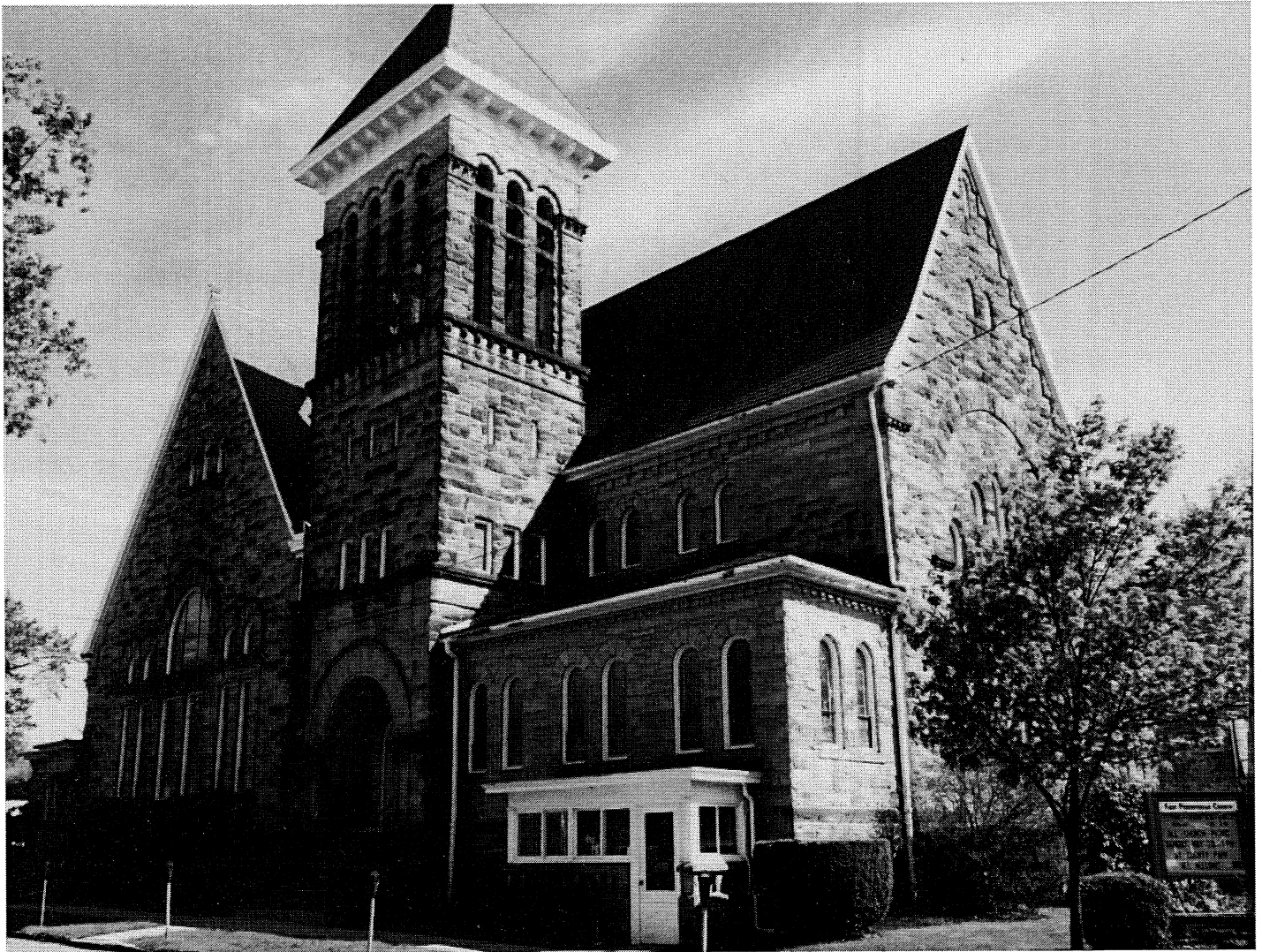


First Presbyterian Church



*Reformation Sunday
October 26, 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)

Reformation Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Lector, Dave Larimer

We silently shift our focus to God and prepare to worship.

Prelude

Foundation
Banner Processional

Bonnie Barrett

Chiming of the Trinity

Introit

I Will Call Upon The Lord

GTG #621

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

Call to Worship

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you.

God's people shall never again be put to shame.

O you who answers prayer! To you all flesh shall come. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

God's people shall never again be put to shame.

You water the furrows of the fields abundantly, the pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy.

God's people shall never again be put to shame.

The Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all might hear it.

God's people shall never again be put to shame.

All who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.

God's people shall never again be put to shame.

✠ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

✠ Hymn No. 35

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

✠ Call to Confession

✠ Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Loving God, too often we hide beneath the veil of religion or trust too much in the good things we do. Smug and safe in our pews, we look down on those not here, thankful we are not like them. Shatter us with the truth that all have sinned, even us. We have failed to live as the people you call us to be. Cleanse and restore us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. It's in his name we pray, Amen.

✠ Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the Good News:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

✠ Gloria Patri

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

We Share God's Word

Time with the Children

Dave Larimer

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture

2nd Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

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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. Rebecca Mihm
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, Ashley and Gavin Kunselman

The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God, in honor of Stu and Stacey Hoffman, by Pauline Henry.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

10:00 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Choir rehearsal

WEEKLY DEPOSIT SUMMARY

10/19/25

Weekly Contributions	
Envelope Contributions	\$1,460.00
Miscellaneous Cash Contributions	<u>\$561.00</u>
Total Contributions	\$2,021.00
Weekly Donations	
Covenant Fund	\$925.12
Mission for PDA Buckets	\$200.00
Food Bags	\$35.00
Men's Fellowship	<u>\$40.00</u>
	\$1,200.12
Total	\$3,221.12

NOTES:

Second ScriptureJoel 2:23-32(p. 848)
The words of scripture, inspired by God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon"Restoration"Rev. Rebecca Mihm

Organ Interlude

✦Hymn No. 806I'll Praise My Maker

We Give Thanks to God

Affirmation of Faith4.032 The Heidelberg Catechism

I am called a Christian because, by faith, I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess his name, to present myself to him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for eternity.

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.

Call for the Offering

Offering and OffertoryTotal PraiseRichard Smallwood

✦Doxology

✦Prayer of Dedication

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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

We Go Forth to Serve

✦Hymn No. 275A Mighty Fortress

✦Charge and Benediction

PostludeThe Church's One FoundationDavid Cherwien

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.

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Offertory: "Total Praise" Richard Smallwood.
Postlude: "The Church's One Foundation" David Cherwien, Samuel Sebastian Wesley.

Tuesday, October 28

6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Wednesday, October 29

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, October 30

4:30 p.m. Echoes of Joy Handbell practice

5:30 p.m. Joyful Bells Handbell practice

Sunday, November 2

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Choir Practice

11:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:30 a.m. Cantata Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

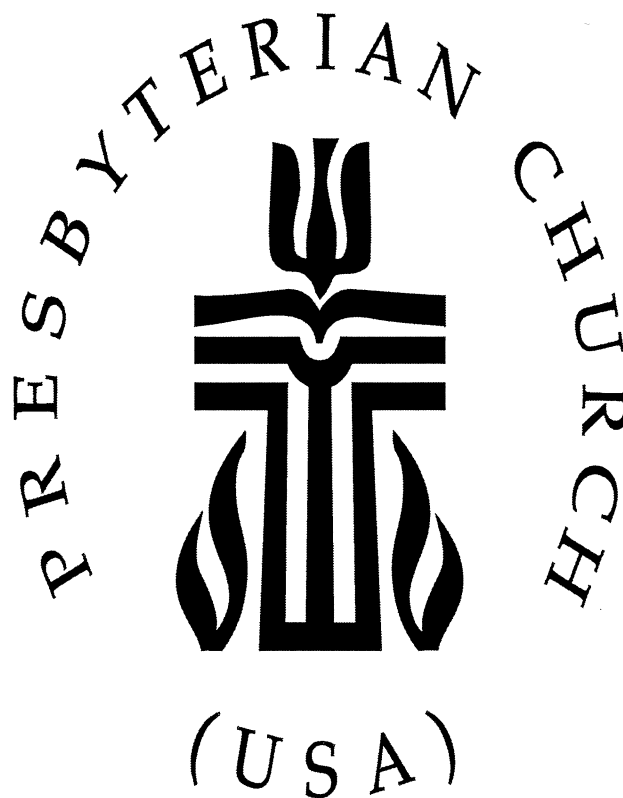
—There will be a congressional meeting today following worship. This meeting is to elect officers for the coming year. See insert.

—Thank you to all who helped with the parking on Crafter's Day and with the Concession stand on Parade Day. Whether you bought a parking ticket, helped park cars, baked goodies, worked the concession stand, or bought food from us on Saturday, you helped make our Christmas project a success. Thank you! *Men's Fellowship*

—The Food Bag Ministry would like to thank everyone who helped with parking cars on Parade Day! We had a great day!

—It doesn't seem like Christmas should be 8 weeks away, but the calendar doesn't lie. With that being said, Cantata practice will begin after worship on **Sunday, Nov. 2**. We will practice for the upcoming Sunday's music first, so rehearsal will begin roughly around 11:30-11:45. You are welcome to come and sing with us for the weekly Sunday pieces:) If you can't make the Nov. 2nd rehearsal, please let Bonnie know that you plan to sing, so a book is saved for you. This Cantata does NOT have rehearsal CD's so practices are very important. Come and sing about the birth of our Savior!

—There is a sign up sheet in the ramp room for the Thanksgiving Dinner on Nov. 21, 2025. Please sign up if you are planning to attend the Thanksgiving Dinner. We need to know how many people to prepare for. Thank you.



PRAYER LIST

Randy Cable
Shirley McKinley
Pauline Henry
Jeff Deitz
Mary Ann Lees
Greg Rhoads
Dave Steward
Sue Widmer
Josh Deitz
Jim McConnell
Charlie Kurtas
All our homebound members

Mary Biser
Charlotte Hartman
Ben McKinley
Anthony Louder
Pat Hargest
Alexandra Sharrar
Mary Kay Arth
Mason Martin and family
Rob Summerville
Cori
Chuck Reninger
Kay Caller
Dan Clark
Amy Benhoff
Archer Kunselman
Ryan Cornicki
Jerry Deitz
Don Neiderriter
Kathy Meley
Shawn Martin
Clayton Hayden & family
John McConnell
A 4-year-old with kidney cancer
Terry Wensel
Kathy Lahr
Nina Faust Joslin
Alec Booth
Greg Nesbitt
Terry

PRAYER LIST (CONTINUED)

Denny Hickman
Elise Burns Pasles
Darlene Hargenrader
Sara Riggins
Sherrie Kapp
Bernice Yockey
Bill Burnworth
Colleen Donovan
Steve Payne
Kara's friend
Karen McMillen
Del Bailey
Nancy Mills

Bereaved: Please remember the friends and families of:
Tim Fulton

Around the World

Everyone serving in the US Military

Gitwe Congregation in Rwanda, our faith partners

Homebound Member of the Week

Ellen Fulton
Clarion Health Care & Rehab
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