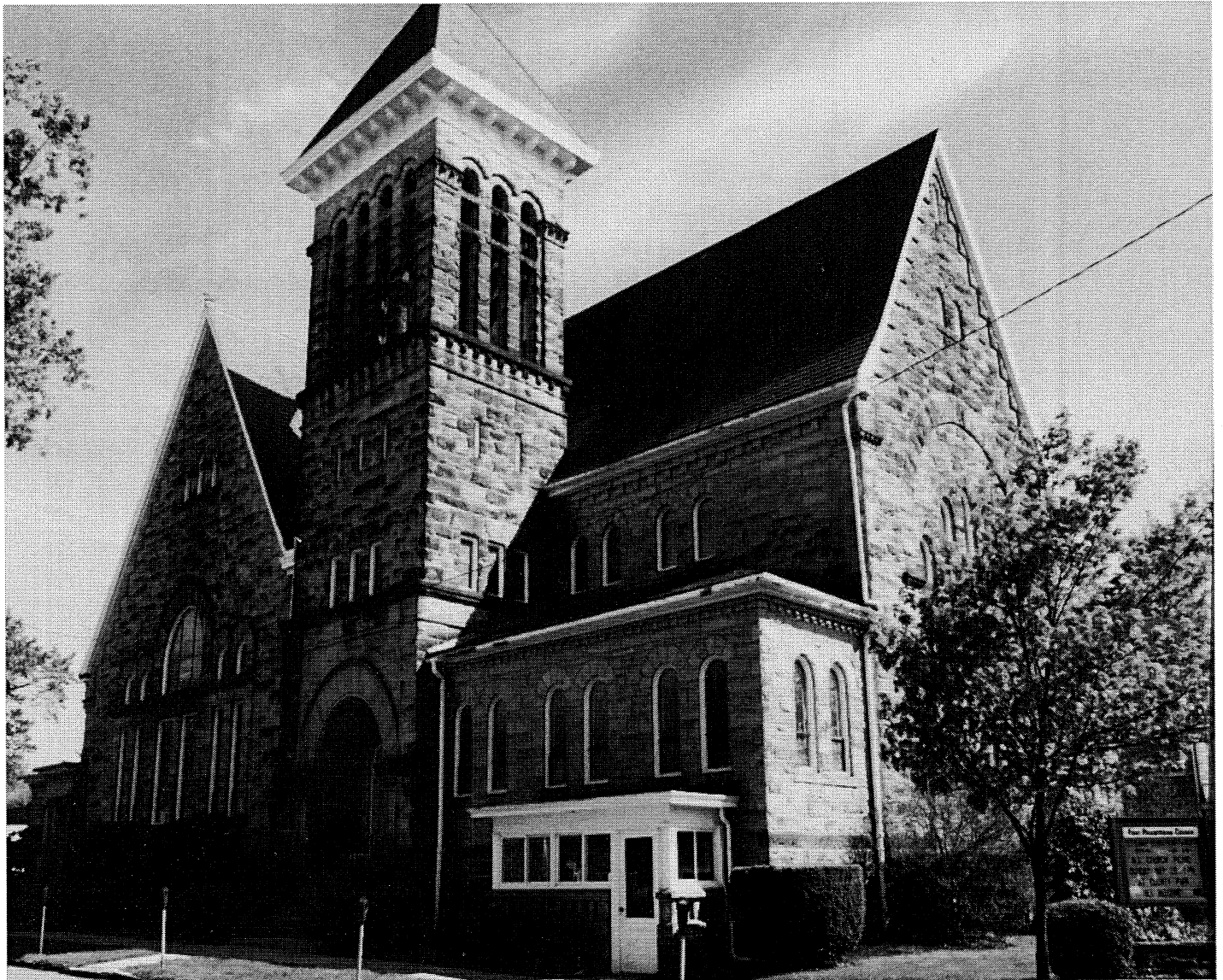


First Presbyterian Church



*Christ The King
November 23, 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)

Christ The King

Welcome and Announcements

Lector, Norma Kooman

Prelude

Setting on a Shaker Hymn

Gregg Sewell

Chiming of the Trinity

Introit

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Call to Worship

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! I myself will gather my flock and bring them back to their fold.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

I will raise up for David a righteous branch, who shall reign and deal wisely and execute justice and righteousness in the land.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

God will give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us to give light to those who sit in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

✦ Hymn No. 268

Crown Him With Many Crowns

✦ Call to Confession

✦ Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious Lord, we are quick to identify our enemies and slow to name the ways we hurt others. You lead us in the ways of righteousness, and yet we prefer to walk our own path. We are called to follow your lead in creating a beloved community, yet we idolize wealth and power. Heal us and help us, O God. Turn us from the ways of sin, the means that create unjust ends. Grant that we may seek to be for others what you are for us: a source of light on the way to peace. In Jesus' 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

Norma Kooman

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

(p. 725)

Second Scripture

Luke 23: 33-43

(p. 89)

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.

The words of scripture, inspired by God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Christ The King” Rev. Rebecca Mihm

Organ Interlude

✦ Hymn No. 260 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

We Give Thanks to God

✦ Affirmation of Faith 7.026 The Shorter Catechism

Christ executeth the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Call for the Offering

Offering and Offertory *Arise and Sing* Dave and Jean Perry

✦ Doxology

✦ Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

We Go Forth to Serve

✦ Hymn No. 269 *Lead On, O King Eternal*

✦ Charge and Benediction

Postlude *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* James Pethel

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.

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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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 Thursday.

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: Norma Kooman
Time with Children: Norma Kooman
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, Logan Myers
Ushers in Charge: Rick & Barb Beggs, Robin Cable

-The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God, in loving memory of Ellen Lawrence, by Suellen Gourley

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

10:00 a.m.	Worship
11:00 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Choir rehearsal
11:30 a.m.	Cantata rehearsal

WEEKLY DEPOSIT SUMMARY

11/16/25

Weekly Contributions

Envelope Contributions	\$1,760.00
Miscellaneous Cash Contributions	\$124.00
Total Contributions	\$1,884.00

Weekly Donations

Pastor's Discretionary Fund	\$25.00
Christmas Flowers	\$164.00
Food Bags	\$100.00
Men's Fellowship	\$75.00
	\$763.00

Total	\$2,248.00
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NOTES:

Monday, November 24

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

Tuesday, November 25

6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Wednesday, November 26

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, November 27

—Thanksgiving Day—

Sunday, November 30

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Choir Practice

11:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:30 a.m. Cantata Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

—Mission's Coat Project continues. The coat rack is on the walkway between the Ramp Room and the CE Building. Coats hung on the rack are for anyone who needs a coat. If you need a coat, please take one. If you have a coat or two that are new or still in great shape, hang them on the rack so someone else may be blessed with their warmth. New or gently-used tennis shoes or boots are also needed.

—**Hanging of The Greens is today after Sunday School and Choir rehearsal.** If you would like to begin following Worship, tasks needing completed are on a board outside the Chapel. Decorations are in the Chapel. Pizza and drinks will be provided. Please come and join us for an enjoyable afternoon with friends decorating our church for the holiday season.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

—Create a free account with FPC's RightNow Media page. Enter the following address into an internet search and explore devotionals, Bible studies, training materials and more! <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/fpcpa>

—Caring Callers December meeting will be on Wednesday, December 3rd at 10:30 in Ministry Central. Before our meeting we will be having some food and games. Tableware and bottled water will be provided. Bring a brunch dish to share and a wrapped gift for the gift exchange. The gift should be something new you have around the house that you'd like to regift. If you have questions, you can contact Dee Wenner.



—The office will be closed on Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28 for Thanksgiving.

—The Clarion Community Choir concert is Sunday, December 7 at 7:00pm in the Marwick Boyd Auditorium. Our Echoes of Joy Handbell Choir will also be performing during that concert. Come and support our bell choir and our local musicians.

PRAYER LIST

Randy Cable
Shirley McKinley
Pauline Henry
Jeff Deitz
Mary Ann Lees
Greg Rhoads
Dave Steward
Sue Widmer
Jim McConnell
Charlie Kurtas
Lucy 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
Shawn Martin
John McConnell
A 4-year-old with kidney cancer
Terry Wensel
Kathy Lahr
Nina Faust Joslin
Alec Booth
Greg Nesbitt
Terry
Denny Hickman
Elise Burns Pasles

PRAYER LIST (CONTINUED)

Darlene Hargenrader
Sara Riggins
Sherrie Kapp
Bernice Yockey
Bill Burnworth
Steve Payne
Kara's friend
Karen McMillen
Nancy Mills
Dudley Fye
Susan Joy's neighbor
Emily Champion

Bereaved: Please remember the friends and families of:

Tim Fulton
George Champion

Around the World

Everyone serving in the US Military

Gitwe Congregation in Rwanda, our faith partners

Homebound Member of the Week

Gail Baptist
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