



Organized August 28, 1898

First Presbyterian Church

209 W. Hickory Street
Arcadia, Florida

May 04, 2025

3rd Sunday of Easter

The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Arcadia is to answer God's Call by offering: inspired worship; creating great relationships with members and community; educating and serving both members and the community God has entrusted to us.

***Please stand if able**

bold=unison

Prayer of Preparation

God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, grant that our worship may confirm us in this faith, and our faith commit us to living in the way and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Choral Introit

Prelude

Selected

Organist Mike Cooley

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Elder Mitzie McGavic

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us sing to the Lord

People: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Leader: Come, let us worship and bow down

People: let us come before the Lord our Maker,

Leader: for he is our God

People: and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

**Hymn*

“O Worship the King “

#02

Call to Confession

Rev. Norman Pritchard

Trusting in the mercy, grace and love of God let us face the truth of who we are and acknowledge that we are not the people we would like to be, far less the people God is calling us to be. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have left undone what we ought to have done and we have done what we ought not to have done. We have followed our own ways and the desires of our own hearts. Yet, good Lord, have mercy on us. Give us grace to leave our mistakes behind and travel in the way that you would have us go, that in all things we may acknowledge you the Lord of our lives and the God of all people. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: God's grace is constant; God's mercy never fails.

People: Through Jesus we have confidence to claim the peace of sin forgiven and the grace of life made new.

**Gloria Patria*

"Glory be to the Father"

#734

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.

First Lesson

Psalm 23

Elder Mitzie McGavic

Anthem

Selected

Second Lesson

John 10: 1-10

Rev. Norman Pritchard

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

"The Good Shepherd"

Rev. Norman Pritchard

**Apostles' Creed*

Elder Marlou Zolkos

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting.

**Hymn*

"Let us Break Bread Together"

#699

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Norman Pritchard

.... "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."

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Elements

Prayer after Communion

Celebration of Generosity

Rev. Norman Pritchard

**Doxology*

#34

**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**

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn

"Wonderful Words of Life"

#668

**Charge and Benediction*

Rev. Norman Pritchard

Postlude

Selected

Organist Mike Cooley

Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy the Postlude.

Please join us for a time of fellowship in the breezeway.

WELCOME: We gather in worship together. Whether we are in the sanctuary or at home, we are grateful for the technology that connects us as one in Christ. Together we are the church.

Church Prayer List

FPC - Members: Tom & Arlene Anderman, Jean Borsmann, Shirley Cullom, Ellen Davis, Wayne & Marilyn Gallant, Muriel Hall, Jerry Nathe, Marilyn Stander, LaVerne Townsend, MaryAnn Treadwell and Edith Wildt.

FPC – Family/ Friends: Wayne Adams, David Allen, Diane Brantley, Amy Deming, Earl & Kay Frierson, Tripp Johnson, Donna Jones, Jimmy Lanier, Lisa Letson, Jacquelyn Lopez, Ian & Sandra McLauchlan, Keith Markey, Wayne & Judy Onofri, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Purvis Rohling, Bob & Pam Simmons, Donna Stakey, Jerry Waters, and Margaret White.

Military List: Julian Davis, U.S. Army Medical Corps;
Sean Davis, U.S. Army Medical
Corps; E6 Curtis Johnson, U.S. Navy Medical Corps;
CM1 Ryan Maassen, U.S. Navy Seabees
Airman Roland Phelps.

Session

2025: Dave Bremer, Jill Maassen, Mac Martin, Terry Presson

2026: Jeff Adams, Ellie Sutphin, David Maassen, Don Knoche

2027: Jackie Harris, Donnie Knoche, Tyler Maassen, Edith Wildt

Look what's coming.....

Sunday	May 4,04	9:45 No Sunday School 10:30 Choir Practice 11:15 Worship Service/Communion/Class of 2026 Collection for Bill's Paper Angels
Wednesday	May 07	No Bible Study
Friday	May 09	No Men's Luncheon
Sunday	May 11	10:30 Choir Practice 11:15 Worship Service

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church of Arcadia, we would love to have you do so. Please speak with Pastor Will Browne or Clerk of Session Jill Maassen

Church Information

Attendance last Sunday: 34

Viewed on Facebook: 43

Offering last Sunday: \$ 1,574.00

Year to Date::\$ **64,271.16**

Church Directory

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Church Office Hours

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Pastor – Dr. Will Browne: Cell phone (941) 928-7504

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Director of Music – Genie Martin

Organist/Pianist – Mike Cooley

Sound Technician – Elder Tyler Maassen

Treasurer – Elder Edward Maassen

Office Manager – Karen Cassels