



Organized August 28, 1898

First Presbyterian Church

209 W. Hickory Street
Arcadia, Florida

September 7, 2025

13th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Loving God, we celebrate your gifts of freedom and grace. We thank you that you have chosen us, giving us love and life, and claimed us to be your children. Thank you for giving us your son, Jesus Christ. In Jesus, you have chosen us as your servants for the sake of the world.

We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

Choral Introit

Prelude

Selected

Organist Mike Cooley

Chimes

Welcome, Announcements

Elder Jackie Harris

Call to Worship

But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting on those who fear him,
and his righteousness to children's children,

to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.

The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.

**Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding,
obedient to his spoken word.**

Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers who do his will.

Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul.

Let us worship God.

***Hymn:**

"You Servants of God"

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession ***(unison)***

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone, We have not loved you with our whole hearts and minds and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have done, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel,

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, thanks be to God.

****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. Amen

First Lesson

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Elder Jackie Harris

Anthem

Second Lesson

Luke 1:46-55

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

“ God of Our History”

**Apostles’ Creed*

Elder Jackie Harris

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. Amen

**Hymn:*

“Let Us Break Bread Together

#699

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving & The Lord’s Prayer

.....Now hear us as we pray the Lord’s prayer as Jesus taught us,
“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 he kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer after Communion

**Celebration of Generosity*

**Doxology*

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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*

**Hymn:*

“ Leaning on the Everlasting Arms ”

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**Charge and Benediction*

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Postlude

Selected

Organist Mike Cooley

Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy the Postlude.

Please join us for refreshments 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, Brian & Jackie Harris, MaryAnn Treadwell , and Terry West.

FPC – Family/ Friends: Bobby & Charlaine Adams, Kathy Borsmann, Diane Brantley, Mary Dow, Sue Fender, Earl & Kay Frierson, Kathy Gamiotea, Donna Jones, Jimmy Lanier, Lisa Letson, Jill Logan, Keith Markey, Wayne & Judy Onofri, Gabriel Quave, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Purvis Rohling, Bob & Pam Simmons, Margaret White and Laurie York.

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	Sept. 7	10:30 Choir Practice 11:15 Worship Service Communion Collection Bill's Paper Angels
Monday	Sept. 8	Paper Angels distribution
Wednesday	Sept. 10	12:30 Bible Study/Duplex 6:00 Choir/Handbells BBQ
Friday	Sept. 12	12:30 Men's Luncheon @ Reef & Beef
Sunday	Sept. 14	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:

Viewed on Facebook: 40

Offering last Sunday:

Year to Date: **\$ 113,678.41**

Church Directory

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Church Office

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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