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# *First Presbyterian Church*

209 W. Hickory Street  
Arcadia, Florida

**July 20, 2025**

*6th 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*

**In grace, O God, you have sought us and loved us and redeemed us. Hear our thanks as we come in worship this day, for we ask it in Jesus' name. Amen**

## *Choral Introit*

### *Prelude*

Selected

Organist Mike Cooley

### *Chimes*

## *Welcome and Announcements*

Elder Dave Bremer

## *Call to Worship*

God calls us here to worship.

**Yet, we carry many worries,  
we are distracted by many things,  
but here, in this time and place,  
we are invited to set them aside,  
we are invited to be fully present in God's presence.**

Let us remember whose and what we are:

**We are the body of Christ.**

We remember we are God's beloved children.

**We remember our chief purpose:**

**To glorify and enjoy God forever.**

Let us worship God!

### *\*Hymn*

"O Worship the King"

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## *Call to Confession*

Dr. Will Browne

### *Prayer of Confession* (unison)

**Holy God, we are pulled in many different directions. We are dis-tracted by the news, quick to point fingers and pass judgment, but are reluctant to examine our own complicity. We are distracted by our fear of the loss of health, safety, and financial security. We operate from a mindset of scarcity. We are distracted by the tasks, that crowd our calendars. We confess we some-times embrace our busyness because is it easier than being Christ's true disciples. Forgive us. Help us choose the better path as we seek to follow Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

### *Assurance of Pardon* (Psalm 52:8-9)

*We are like a green olive tree in the house of God.*

**We trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.**

*We will thank you forever*

**because of what you have done**

*In the presence of the faithful*

**We will proclaim your name, for it is good.**

*Friends, hear and 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.**

### *First Lesson*

Colossians 1:15-20

Elder Dave Bremer

## *Anthem*

### *Second Lesson*

Luke 10:38-42

Dr. Will Browne

*This is the Word of the Lord!*

**Thanks be to God**

### *Prayer of Illumination*

### *Sermon*

*"The Tale of Two Sisters"*

### *\*Apostles' Creed*

Elder Dave Bremer

***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*

*"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

**#473**

### *Morning Prayer & 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 he kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen"***

## *Service 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*

*Dr. Will Browne*

### *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.***

***“The liturgy is adapted from material prepared by Rev. Stephanie Sorge in  
Presbyterian Outlook for July 20, 2026.”***

**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, Marilyn Gallant & family, Jerry Nathe, MaryAnn Treadwell and Edith Wildt.

**FPC – Family/ Friends:** Bobby & Charlene Adams,. David Allen, Kathy Borsmann, Diane Brantley, Mary Dow, Earl & Kay Frierson, Tripp Johnson, Donna Jones, Jimmy Lanier, Lisa Letson, Jill Logan, Jacquelyn Lopez, Sandra McLaughan, Keith Markey, Wayne & Judy Onofri, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Purvis Rohling, Bob & Pam Simmons, 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.....*

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Jul 20</b> | 10:30 Choir Practice<br>11:15 Worship Service<br><b>Collection for Center for the Needy</b> |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>Jul 21</b> | <b>5:30 Session Meeting/duplex</b>  |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Jul 23</b> | 12:30 Bible Study/Duplex  |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>Jul 25</b> | 12:30 Men's Luncheon Reef & Beef  |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Jul 27</b> | 10:30 Choir Practice<br>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:            23      Viewed on Facebook:    43  
Offering last Sunday:      \$ 3,890.00      Year to Date:: \$ **102,203.41**

## *Church Directory*

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## *Church Office Hours*

Monday-Friday 9 am -3:00 pm

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

Clerk of Session – Elder Jill Maassen

Director of Music – Genie Martin

Organist/Pianist – Mike Cooley

Sound Technician – Elder Tyler Maassen

Treasurer – Elder Edward Maassen

Office Manager – Karen Cassels