

Organized August 28, 1898

Fírst Presbyterían Church

209 W. Hickory Street Arcadia, Florida

November 23, 2025 Christ the King Sunday

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.

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*Please stand if able

bold=unison

Prayer of Preparation.

In Psalm 46 God tells us, "Be still and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations. I am exalted in the earth." And the people respond, "The LORD of Hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge." We give you thanks for this great gift and all the gifts with which you bless our lives. In Jesus name we pray, Amen

Choral Introit

Prelude

"We Gather Together"

Organist Mike Cooley

Chimes

Welcome, Announcements

Elder Mitzie McGavic

Call to Worship

(Psalm 46:1-3, 7)

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

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,

Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

Though its waters roar and foam

Though its mountains tremble with its tumult.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Let us worship God.

Call to Confession

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

We are told that there is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. We dare come in confession for our God is in the midst of the city and bids us come.

Prayer of Confession (Psalm 46:4-5a) (unison)

O Lord we stand in fear before the powers of this world and the powers of those who seek evil. The nations are truly in an uproar and nations totter. And we ourselves has been party to sinful behavior and harmful plans. Please forgive us and grant that we might so love and serve you that we become, by Christ's holy grace, a force for good and justice and hope. We ask this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear and believe this good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made new! Thanks be to God!

*Gloría Patría "Glory be to the Father" #34
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 Scripture Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6 Elder Mitzie McGavic

Anthem:

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
Chancel Choir

music by John Wyeth

"Come, Ye Thankful People Come" Handbell Choir

music by George J. Elvey

Second Scripture Lesson: Colossians 1: 11-20 Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

"the Image of the Invisible"

*Apostles' Creed

everlasting. Amen

Elder Mitzie McGavic

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

**Нутп*:

"Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven"

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Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

.....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 the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

Celebration of Generosity

*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

*Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn:** "To God Be the Glory"

*Charge & Benediction

Postlude Selected Organist Mike Cooley

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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, Becky Delahunty, Vivien Liszak, MaryAnn Treadwell, and Terry West.

FPC – Family/ Friends: Bobby & Charlaine Adams, Family of Toni Badovinac, Kathy Borsmann, Diane Brantley, Marsha Browning, Mary Dow, Michelle Ehret, Sue Fender, Earl & Kay Frierson, Kathy Gamiotea, Verna Haynes, Donna Jones, Jimmy Lanier, ,Greg, Heidi, and Hannah Lepianka, Lisa Letson, Jill Logan, Keith Markey, Cary Mercer, Kenny O'Neal, Judy Onofri, Gabriel Quave, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Purvis Rohling, Bob & Pam Simmons, Tina Turzio, 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 Nov. 23 9:45 Adult Sunday school

10:30 Choir practice

11:15 Worship Service

12:00 Deck the Sanctuary Halls for Christmas

Monday Nov. 24 9:00 Thanksgiving baskets distribution

Wednesday Nov. 26 No Bible Study/Duplex

Thursday Nov. 27 Thanksgiving

Office closed

Friday Nov. 28 Office closed

Sunday Nov. 30 First Sunday in Advent

Sunday of Hope

Monday Dec.1 Paper Angels distribution

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church of Arcadia, we would love to have you do so.

Please speak with Rev. Dr. Will Browne or Clerk of Session Jill Maassen

Church Information

Attendance last Sunday: 40 Viewed on Facebook: 15

Offering last Sunday: \$8,705.00 Year to Date: **\$170,257.92**

Church Directory

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Director of Music – Genie Martin Treasurer – Elder Edward Maassen

Organist/Pianist - Mike Cooley