



Organized August 28, 1898

First Presbyterian Church

209 W. Hickory Street
Arcadia, Florida

March 1, 2026

Second Sunday in Lent

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

O Lord, let all the earth proclaim you and sing to the glory of your name as we come and see what you have done. May the sound of our praise for you be heard. Amen.

Choral Introit

Welcome & Announcements

Elder Mitzie McGavic

Prelude

Lew Cassels
Organist

Chimes

Lenten Prayer (Church of Scotland) Psalm 121:1-8 Elder Mitzie McGavic

**Hymn:*

"Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"

#82

Call to Confession

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful God, you made us in your image with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect and our love inconstant, our obedience is incomplete.

For the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, do not hold our sin against us, but in your tender love forgive us. We ask it 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!

**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.

Scripture Lesson:

Psalm 121:1-8

Rev. Dr. Will Browne &
Elder Mitzie McGavic

Anthem:

“Holy Manna”
Chancel Choir

arr. Joel Raney

Scripture Lesson:

John 3:11-17

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

“Still Searching”

**Apostles' Creed*

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 everlasting. Amen

**Hymn:*

"As We Gather at Your Table"

#695

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Communion Prayer & The Lord's Prayer Rev. Dr. Will Browne

.....Let us as pray as Jesus taught us, saying,

"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

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer after Communion

Elder Mitzie McGavic

God our Father, continue with us, your family, and guard with watchful tenderness the hearts which have been hallowed by the sacred mystery of this sacrament. By your mercy we have received the healing gift of your salvation: by your protection may we retain our salvation until we come to the glory of your eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebration of Generosity

**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*

**Hymn:*

"Wonderful Words of Life"

#668

**Charge & Benediction*

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Postlude

Lew Cassels
Organist

*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, Peggy Dees, Becky Delahunty, Jackie Harris, Vivien Lyszak, MaryAnn Treadwell and Terry West.

FPC – Family/ Friends: Bobby & Charlaine Adams, Diane Brantley, Marsha Browning, Mary Dow, Michelle Ehret, Sue Fender, Earl & Kay Frierson, Kathy Gamiotea, Gina Green, Verna Haynes, Jane Hayward, Ernie Hewitt, Donna Jones, Ted Land, Jimmy Lanier, Greg, Heidi, and Hannah Lepianka, Lisa Letson, Jill Logan, Keith Markey, Cary Mercer, Dan & Gail Morgan, Tom & Sue Morgan, Kenny O’Neal, Judy Onofri, Dana Parrish, Gabriel Quave, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Purvis Rohling, Gene Scott, Bob & Pam Simmons, Tina Turzio, Debbie Webb, 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

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

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

2028: Dave Bremer, Becky Delahunty, Sue Maassen, Mitzie McGavic

Look what's coming...

Sunday	Mar. 1	9:45 Adult Sunday school 10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Communion Worship Service Bill's Paper Angels collection
Wednesday	Mar. 4	12:30 Bible study 3:00 Handbells practice 4:00 Choir practice
Friday	Mar. 6	12:30 Men's luncheon at Reef & Beef's
Sunday	Mar. 8	9:45 Adult Sunday school 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 Rev. Dr. Will Browne or Clerk of Session Mitzie McGavic

Church Information

Attendance last Sunday:38

Offering: 2-22-26 \$2478.70

Viewed on Facebook:18

Year to Date: **\$30,924.00**

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

Pastor's Secretary – Pam Omar