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# *First Presbyterian Church*

209 W. Hickory Street  
Arcadia, Florida

**May 25 2025**

*6th 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*

O Lord of grace and love we seek to stand in your presence as we come to worship.  
Hear our gratitude for all that you have done and are doing for us. Let us find our  
direction and purpose in your service. Amen

### *Choral Introit*

*Prelude*

Selected

Organist Mike Cooley

*Chimes*

*Welcome and Announcements*

Elder Dave Bremer

*Call to Worship*      Psalm 67:1-7

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,  
**that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all  
nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

**for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

**The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.**

May God continue to bless us;

**let all the ends of the earth revere him.**

**\*Hymn**

**"Jesus Calls Us Over the Tumult "**

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## *Call to Confession*

John 14:23-24

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

### *Prayer of Confession* (unison)

**O Lord you have said that if we love you we will keep your word, and yet we have not. You have promised us joys beyond our understanding and yet we have not followed you with all we are and have. Pour into our hearts such love for you, O God, that loving you above all else we may obtain our salvation in your grace through Jesus Christ who is above and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.**

### *Assurance of Pardon* John 14:27

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Jesus does not give to us as the world gives.

**Therefore let not our hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.**

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*

Acts 16:9-15

Elder Dave Bremer

### *Anthem*

Selected

## *Second Lesson*

John 14:23-29

Rev. Dr. Will Bowne

*This is the Word of the Lord!*

**Thanks be to God!**

## *Prayer of Illumination*

### *Sermon*

“A Message of Transformation and Peace”

Rev. Dr. Will Bowne

### *\*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.***

### *\*Hymn*

“The Summons”

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### *Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer*

Rev. Dr. Will Bowne

***“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*

Rev. Dr. Will Bowne

### *\*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*

### *Closing Hymn*

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

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### *\*Charge and Benediction*

Rev. Dr. Will Bowne

### *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, MaryAnn Treadwell and Edith Wildt.

**FPC – Family/ Friends:** Bobby & Charlaine Adams. 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.....*

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 25</b>	9:45 <b>No Sunday School</b> 10:30 Choir Practice 11:15 Worship Service
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 26</b>	<b>Office closed for Memorial Day</b> <b>5:30 Session Meeting/Duplex</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 28</b>	12:30 Bible Study/Duplex
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 29</b>	12:30 Men's Luncheon/Reef & Beef
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Jun 01</b>	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: 28 Viewed on Facebook: 38  
Offering last Sunday: \$ 12,962.25 Year to Date: \$ 77,233.41

## *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