



Organized August 28, 1898

First Presbyterian Church

209 W. Hickory Street
Arcadia, Florida

May 10, 2026

Sixth 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

(Silent prayer)

Faithful God, through all the ages, you have kept your promises. You have freed us from the powers of scarcity and death for abundant new life. Stay with us as we wait and watch for your Spirit with excitement and hope, that we may experience your love and share it with our lives, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Choral Introit

(Congregation is invited to join in)

Welcome & Announcements

Elder Marlou Zolkos

Prelude

Organist Lew Cassels

Chimes

Call To Worship

Elder Marlou Zolkos

Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of praise be heard!

God has kept us among the living and has not let our feet slip.

We went through fire and through water, yet God has brought us out to a spacious place.

Come and hear what God has done for us, all who fear God.

Surely God has listened to us and heard our prayers!

Blessed be God, who is steadfast love.

***Hymn:**

"All Creatures of Our God & King" v 1,5

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Call to Confession

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy One, We love You imperfectly: we do not always keep Your commandments. We love each other imperfectly: we hurt those You call us to love through our actions and our inaction. We love ourselves imperfectly: we struggle to believe that we are truly Your children, made by Your mercy in Your image. Forgive us. By the power of Your Spirit, make us more faithful that we might live as Christ has shown us, reflecting Your love and grace.

Assurance of Pardon

...we live because Christ lives

It is Christ who forgives us. It is God who is in us. It is the Spirit who is with us. Alleluia! Praise be to God!

**Gloria Patri* “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 1 Peter 3:13-22 Elder Marlou Zolkos

Anthem: “Rain Down” words & music by Jamie Cortez
Chancel Choir choral setting by John Carter

Scripture Lesson Acts 17:22-31 Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Prayer of Illumination

Meditation

“A Guest’s Welcome”

**Apostles’ Creed*

Elder Marlou Zolkos

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:*

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

#148

Morning Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

.....Let us 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”

Celebration of Generosity

#34

**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 Dedicatíon*

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

**Hymn:*

"In Christ There is No East or West"

#603

**Charge & Benediction*

Rev. Dr. Will Browne

Postlude

Organist Lew Cassels

Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy the Postlude.

Happy Mother's Day

It's this week!

**This Thursday First Arcadia hosts the Peace River Presbytery's meeting.
We are so thankful for your willingness to help. We are ready!**

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, Brian Harris, Jackie Harris, family of Ron Overcash, MaryAnn Treadwell, and Terry West.

FPC - FAMILY/ FRIENDS: Ellen Abraham, Charlaine Adams, Dan Bailey, family of Raedell Coogler, Mary Dow, Gina Green, Jane Hayward, Ernie Hewett, Donna Jones, David Kersey, Lisa Letson, Jill Logan, Sharon Shatney, and Tina Turzio.

FPC - CONTINUING CONCERN: Barbara Bennett, Marsha Browning, Sue Fender, Earl & Kay Frierson, Ted Land, Jimmy Lanier, Greg, Heidi, and Hannah Lepianka, Susie Lepianka, Keith Markey, Cary Mercer, Dan & Gail Morgan, Kenny O'Neal, Judy Onofri, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Rohling, Gene Scott, Emmie Titus, 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	May 10	10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Worship Service Mother's Day
Wednesday	May 13	12:30 Bible study
Thursday	May 14	7:30 Presbytery meeting
Friday	May 15	12:30 Men's luncheon at Reef & Beef's
Saturday	May 16	Ron Overcash Memorial Service 10:00 Pfrangle Hall 11:00 Service
Sunday	May 17	10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Worship Service Collection Ctr. 4 Needy

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: 27
Offering: 5-03-26- \$3,430.00

Viewed on Facebook: 18
Year to Date: **\$57,438.27**

Church Directory

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Church Office

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Sound Technician – Elder Tyler Maassen

Director of Music – Genie Martin

Treasurer – Elder Edward Maassen

Organist/Pianist – Lew Cassels

Pastor's Secretary – Pam Omar