



# First Presbyterian Church Macon

*200 Years of God's Faithfulness*

*First Presbyterian is a Welcoming Church in Downtown Macon  
Committed to Knowing Christ and Making Him Known.*

June 14, 2026 · 9:00 · 11:15 AM

# Welcome

## TO OUR GUESTS

We want to welcome you today! More information about our church is available on our website at [fpcmacon.org](http://fpcmacon.org).

## SPIRITUAL CARE

If you would like to speak to someone about what it means to know Jesus Christ or you have any spiritual need or question, please speak to one of the pastors after the service.

## CHILDREN'S BIBLE LESSON

We provide a Bible lesson and music for children in Pre-K through second grade during the services. Children will be dismissed from the service and escorted to their classroom before the sermon. Please pick up your children after the first service or Sunday school on the second floor of Cornerstone and after the second service in the nursery. If this is your first Sunday at FPC, please walk your child to the Bible lesson to check them in.

## NURSERY

Nursery is provided for 3K and under from 8:45 AM-12:15 PM. We also provide a mother/infant room located in the nursery with a live video feed of the service, as well as a "cry room" downstairs from the sanctuary for parents of "fussy" children with an audio feed. Ushers are available to direct you.

## FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given today to the glory of God and in honor of the wedding of Ann Elizabeth Howard and Lewis Mikell Peed.

## YOUR PRESENCE

Please let us know that you're here today by scanning the QR code.



**Worshippers read text in bold.**

## FPC 200TH ANNIVERSARY (1826-2026): A MOMENT FROM OUR PAST

As the 19th century turned to the 20th, First Presbyterian's membership had reached 517. In 1904, the church gave 36 members over to form a new church in Vineville which became Vineville Presbyterian Church. 41 members were dismissed to organize a new church in East Macon in 1906. The remodeling of the church edifice on Mulberry Street began in January 1908, and for the following eight months, services were held in the Grand Theatre. The major renovation expenses included: Repairing and renovating tower and spire - \$350; new roof on main building and spire - \$1,457; Electrical work - \$69; Interior painting and frescoing - \$939.70; Architect's fees - \$120.32.

## *Corporate Worship*

*Welcome to First Presbyterian! We are thankful you have chosen to worship with us today.  
It is our hope and prayer that through the reading of God's Word, prayer,  
the corporate singing and readings, and the preached Word, you  
will see Christ clearly and desire to know Him more.*

### **GATHERING SONG 343** - *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

Verses 1-3, 5

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,  
Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;  
Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high,  
In exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody;  
God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today;  
With thy wonted loving kindness hear thy people as they pray;  
And thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,  
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,  
One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 66:1-5

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;  
sing the glory of his name;  
give to him glorious praise!  
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!  
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.  
All the earth worships you  
and sings praises to you;  
they sing praises to your name."  
Come and see what God has done:  
he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

## PRAYER FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

### HYMN OF PRAISE 347 - *The Church's One Foundation*

Verses 1-2, 4, 6

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
She is his new creation by water and the Word:  
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;  
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace ended.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,  
To guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;  
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,  
Against or foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - *Westminster Confession of Faith*, Chapter 26.1

**All believers are united to Jesus Christ, their head, by his Spirit and by faith,  
and have fellowship with him in his grace, suffering, death, resurrection and glory.**

**United to one another in love,**

**the saints have fellowship in each other's gifts and grace  
and are obliged to perform those public and private duties  
which nourish their mutual good, both spiritually and physically.**

**By their profession of faith,**

**saints are bound to maintain a holy fellowship and communion with each other  
in the worship of God and in the performance of other spiritual services  
for their mutual improvement.**

*\*\*\*Seating Interlude\*\*\**

## SCRIPTURE OF EXHORTATION

1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### CORPORATE CONFESSION

**Father, Your Word tells us**

**that our hearts are deceitful above all things and desperately sick  
– and in our thoughts and by our actions we know this is true.**

**Give us repentant hearts where we are stubborn and defiant.**

**Teach us not merely to hate our sin but especially to love You  
with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength! Amen.**

### WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

1 Peter 1:18-19

You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

## HYMN OF ASSURANCE

# My Worth Is Not In What I Own

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1. My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone;
2. *My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame;*
3. As sum - mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame, youth and beau - ty hur - ry by;
4. *I will not boast in wealth or might, or hu - man wis - dom's fleet - ing light;*
5. Two won - ders here that I con - fess: my worth and my un - worth - i - ness.



- [ but in the cost - ly wounds of love at the cross. (to v. 2)
- [ *but in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.*
- [ but life e - ter - nal calls to us at the cross. (to v. 4)
- [ *but I will boast in know - ing Christ at the cross.*
- My val - ue fixed, my ran - som paid at the cross.



I re-joyce in my Re - deem - er, great-est trea - sure, well-spring of my soul.



I will trust in Him, no oth - er. My soul is sa - tis - fied in Him a - lone.

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## STEWARDSHIP TESTIMONY

*John Kitchens*

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Online giving may be done by texting **fpcmacon** to 73256 or visiting the church website at [www.fpcmacon.org](http://www.fpcmacon.org).

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place ..... arr. Chuck Bridwell

*My faith has found a resting place, not in device nor creed.  
I trust the Everliving One, His wounds for me shall plead.  
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,  
It is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.*

*Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;  
A sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out.  
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,  
It is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.*

*My Great Physician heals the sick, the lost He came to save;  
For me His precious blood He shed, for me His life He gave.  
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,  
It is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.  
My faith has found a resting place, in Jesus Christ, my Lord!*

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*Children K4-second grade are welcome to leave the worship service for a Bible Lesson in Cornerstone (BLC). Children in the 11:15 BLC class may be picked up in the nursery. We encourage children third grade and above to continue in corporate worship with their parents.*

# Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Robinson, Thomspson, Farren



What gift of grace is Je - sus my re - deem - er; there is no more  
*The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en, for by my side,*  
No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en. The fu - ture sure;  
*With ev - 'ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus, for he has said*



for heav - en now to give. He is my joy, my right - eous - ness and free - dom,  
*the Sav - ior he will stay. I lab - or on in weak - ness and re - joic - ing*  
the price it has been paid. For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my par - don,  
*that he will bring me home. And day by day I know he will re - new me*



my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I hold,  
*for in my need, his pow - er is dis - played. To this I hold,*  
and he was raised to o - ver - come the grave. To this I hold,  
*un - til I stand with joy be - fore the throne. To this I hold,*



my hope is on - ly Je - sus. For my life is whol - ly bound to his.  
*my Shep - herd will de - fend me; through the deep - est val - ley he will lead.*  
my sin has been de - feat - ed. Je - sus now and ev - er is my plea.  
*my hope is on - ly Je - sus; all the glo - ry ev - er - more to him.*



Oh how strange and di - vine, I can sing: all is mine!  
*Oh the night has been won, and I shall o - ver - come!*  
Oh the chains are re - leased, I can sing: I am free!  
*\*When the race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat:*



Yet not I, but through Christ in me.  
*Yet not I, but through Christ in me.*  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.  
*Yet not I, but through Christ in me.\**

**PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD - Chip Miller**

*Putting Sin to Death*

Colossians 3:1-11

**BENEDICTION**

**DOXOLOGY 731**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Leading in Worship Today*  
*Chip Miller, Senior Pastor*  
*Justin Leslein, Executive Pastor*  
*Michael McGhee, Music Director/Organist*  
*Rebecca Lanning, Choir Director*  
*Tom Rule, Pianist*  
*Chancel Choir*

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**Class of 2026** - Chuck Duggan, Mike Hall, Bobby Newman, Nick Rios, Tony Rodriguez, Blake Sullivan

**Class of 2027** - Ves Berry, Kevin Bridges, John Carey, Hal Foshee, Mike Peed, Kim Thompson

**Class of 2028** - Adam Blakely, Julian Hutchins, Chris Inhulsen, Bob Johnson, Wynne Pearson, Alfred Sams, Robert Stamps, Will Stanford, Jay Strickland, Bill Taylor

### The Diaconate

**Class of 2026** - Dave Grant, Darrell Hallman, Jeremy Johnson, John David Miller, Gray Widstrom, Jeff Wilhelm, Calder Willingham

**Class of 2027** - Chris Anderson, Cameron Garvin, Jeff Hill, Kevin Lennon, Jim Self, Brian Stone

**Class of 2028** - Rickie Baucom, Phil Clark, Michael Garud, John Kitchens, Phillip Leonhard, Troy Nash, Joey Rogers

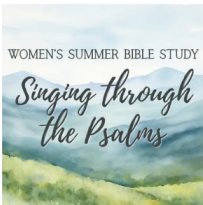
### Trustees

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## YOUTH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Class	Description	Topic	Room Location
Nursery & Special Needs		New Testament	Nursery
Children	4K-5th Grade	New Testament	Cornerstone
Middle School Youth	6-8 Grades	God's Promises	Education Building 2nd Floor
High School Youth	9-12 Grades	Christian Doctrine	Education Building 3rd Floor
Young Adults	College/20s-30s	Joshua & Judges	Basement M102
Foundations	20s-30s	Romans	Education Building
Immanuel	Mid 40s-50s	Titus & Philemon	Education Building E102
Shepherds	50s-60s	Mark	Brickyard M102
Trinity	60s+	Equipping Yourself	Education Building E103
Covenant	70s+	Fundamentals of Faith	Education Building E105
Canterbury	70s-80s	Studies in the Psalms	Education Building E104
Connections	Mixed Ages	Acts	Gathering Place
Generations	Mixed Ages	Romans	Basement M100
Pathways	Mixed Ages	Genesis	Brickyard M103

# Announcements



All **women** are invited to join us on for our summer bible study, "Singing Through the Psalms" taught by Carrie Everitt on Wednesdays this summer! \*morning and evening option available\*

**June 17; July 1, 8, 15, 22**

Morning study will be at FPC from 10-11:30 AM.

Evening study will be at the home of Nan Pownall from 7:30-9 PM

**For more information and to register, please scan the QR code.**



Young adults, join us this summer for a Thursday nights for our large group Bible study on Union with Christ! We will meet from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the FPC Chapel.

June 18, 25  
July 9, 16, 23, 30

Community dinner will be held on the last Thursday of June and July (details coming soon).

For more information or questions, reach out to Chris Gerwig at [cgerwig@fpcmacon.org](mailto:cgerwig@fpcmacon.org) or Calleene Newberry at [cnewberry@fpcmacon.org](mailto:cnewberry@fpcmacon.org)



We will have a **Retirement Party for Pastor Chip on July 26 at 6:00 PM** in the **Fellowship Hall**. We are collecting pictures of Pastor Chip and his family,

and would like for you to send them to Jave Bjorkman at [jboysquared@gmail.com](mailto:jboysquared@gmail.com).



**Commitment Sunday will be held on June 28<sup>th</sup>.**

Please be in prayer about your upcoming pledge and be ready to turn in your **pledge cards at the 9 or 11:15 am service.**



**Vacation Bible School 2026**

Join us June 22-25 (9:00 AM-12:00 PM) as kids (rising 4K-5th grade) explore what it means to be rooted in a relationship with God and find a safe place in life's storms.

Rising 6th-8th graders are invited to serve as Jr. Counselors, and nursery care is available for volunteers. Scan QR Code to Register



**The Edge - Jr. High Conference (June 15-19)**  
**Please be in prayer for these leaders and Jr. High Students heading to the Edge Conference.**

*Juliana Fiebig, Calder Garvin, Lilly Geist, Jay Hutchins, Madelyn Johnson, Jack Lennon, Knox Leslein, Landis Mauldin, Harrison Miller, Thomas Milligan, David Newberry, Wallace Palmer, Oscar Peterson, Rosemary Peterson, Knox Prater, Dash Rawlings, Abigail Shaw, Ransom Shiver, Timothy Smith, Alie Parker Stanford, Gus Tanner, and Greer White*

## Upcoming Events

- Nursery Playdate @ FPC Gym - June 18
- ALL Youth Bible Study & Swim - June 24
- Youth Six Flags Day Trip - June 26
- RYM - July 3-7
- Wacky Wednesday/MMO - July 8
- Youth White Water Rafting - July 11
- Macon Bacon Baseball Game - July 15
- Scotland Mission Trip - July 17-26
- Casa Hogar Mission Trip - July 22-29
- Mom + Son Date - July 23

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