

Order of Worship

Prelude

Announcements

***Opening Hymn #196** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

Call to Confession

We often desire the comfort of Christ without the discomfort of following Christ. We want a gospel that asks little of us, a Savior we can easily understand, and a salvation to which we can add our own works. Yet Hebrews declares something far greater: the majestic Son of God came near, shared our flesh and blood, suffered for us, and made atonement for our sins. Trusting not in what we have done, but entirely in what Christ has done, let us confess our sins before God.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Majestic and merciful God, we confess that we often want an easy gospel. We desire comfort without being discomfited, discipleship without sacrifice, and salvation without complete dependence upon Christ.

Forgive us for being satisfied with a small view of Jesus. We fail to marvel that the One through whom all things exist was willing to share our flesh and blood, to suffer, to be tempted, and to call us brothers and sisters. Forgive us for trusting in our goodness, our service, and our works, rather than resting completely in the finished work of Jesus Christ. Teach us to surrender every claim to our own righteousness and to depend solely upon the One who made atonement for our sins.

Discomfort us where we have become comfortable with less than the truth, deepen our vision of Christ, and lead us into the true comfort found only in Him.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, our merciful and faithful High Priest, we pray.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, hear the Good News! Jesus Christ became like us in every respect so that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in the service of God, making atonement for the sins of His people. Our assurance rests not in the sufficiency of our works, but in the sufficiency of His. In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven, our guilt is removed, and we are welcomed near by the One who is not ashamed to call us His own. Friends, believe the Good News!

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Gloria Patri #614

Great Are You, Lord

*Passing of the Peace

Anthem

The One Chancel Choir

Courtney/Boersma

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

“Hebrews, Part 1- The Supremacy of Jesus
Heb 2:10-18
Rev. Lorenzo R. Small, Sr.

*Hymn of Preparation

I Know It Was the Bloo

Communion

Offering

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

***Closing Hymn #137**

He Came Down

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

First time at First Pres

Welcome! We're glad you're here

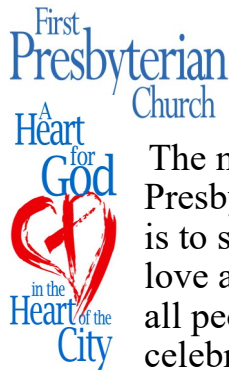
Nursery care is available for infants and preschoolers. Please ask a greeter or usher. We also have Children's Story Bibles in the front pews.

If you need a hearing device an usher can help you.

Today After Church

Join us for Coffee Hour in the Parlor

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The mission of First Presbyterian Church is to share God’s love and grace with all people and celebrate the truth of Jesus Christ.

We approach this purpose with a commitment to “unity in essentials, liberty in non-essentials, and love in all things.”

We fulfill this purpose by Serving Christ through SERVICE to others.

Connecting people to God through OUTREACH.

Nourishing people in the Spirit through WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP and DISCIPLESHIP.

- We express this purpose through our Core Values:
- † GLORIOUS WORSHIP
 - † SPIRIT EMPOWERED PRAYER
 - † LIFE ROOTED IN SCRIPTURE
 - † GRACIOUS WITNESS
 - † COMPASSIONATE SERVICE
 - † ABUNDANT LIFE THROUGH COMMUNITY
 - † EVERY PERSON'S DIGNITY AFFIRMED

SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO CONNECT WITH US!



Remember in Prayer: Katie Graham, Shirlee Burlingame, Carrie & Jim Hoglen, Paula McPhee, Richard Medaugh, Georgann Parker, Ed Scheinfeldt, Annettie Tribbett, Leroy Miller, Marie Davy.

In Military; James Burns, Steve Mackinder, and Samantha Rainwater.

Flowers are given by Mike & Mary Ellen Hayward in celebration of their 54th wedding anniversary on October 7.

The red rose on the chancel is given in honor of Huxley Steffen, born on July 22, 2026 to grandparents Michael & Tammy Greenman, great-grandparents Mike & Laurie Greenman, and great-great grandparents Jim and Helen Noble. We give thanks to God for this new life!

This week at First Presbyterian Church:

Mon., 10/5	9A	Men’s Coffee & Fellowship
Tues., 10/6	8:30A	Prayer in the Chapel
	9A & 1P	Pickleball
	10A	Chair Yoga
Wed., 10/7	10A	PEO in FH
	12P	Bible Study in the Parlor
	7P	Bible Study in the Parlor
Thurs., 10/8	9A	Pickleball
	9:30A	Sew n Sews
	10A	Elizabeth Circle
	5:30P	Bell Choir
	6P	ZUMBA in the Gym
Fri., 10/9	6:30P	Chancel Choir
	6:30P	Boy Scouts
	9P	5th Quarter in Youth Center
Sun., 10/11	10A	WORSHIP

DEACONS - With the holidays coming before we know it, please consider a donation to the Deacon Fund to cover the cost of Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter baskets.

PRAYER CARDS - Don’t Forget a Prayer Card with the weekly Bible Reading Plan on the tables as you exit the sanctuary!



CROP Walk - 35 walkers from 6 local churches enjoy a beautiful Sunday afternoon walking for those in food distress. We are thankful for your donations and prayers of support. Deadline for turning in donations to Mary Burg, Finley McRae, Steve Owel, or Kathy Baker is today, Sunday, October 4th.

The Connections Team invites you to bring a friend & join them today to watch The Chosen!

SUNDAYS
20, 27 SEP
04 OCT | **DOORS OPEN 3:15P**
First Pres Youth Center



AFTER CHURCH - Sunday, Oct. 18 in the Fellowship Hall after Worship. Find the orange “After Church” ticket in the pew rack in front of you, complete it with your lunch preference, and drop in the offering plate by Sunday, 10/11. Payment is due when you arrive for lunch. Come & join this special time of fellowship!

WEEKLY EMAIL - Please contact the church office if you’d like to receive our weekly email update!



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