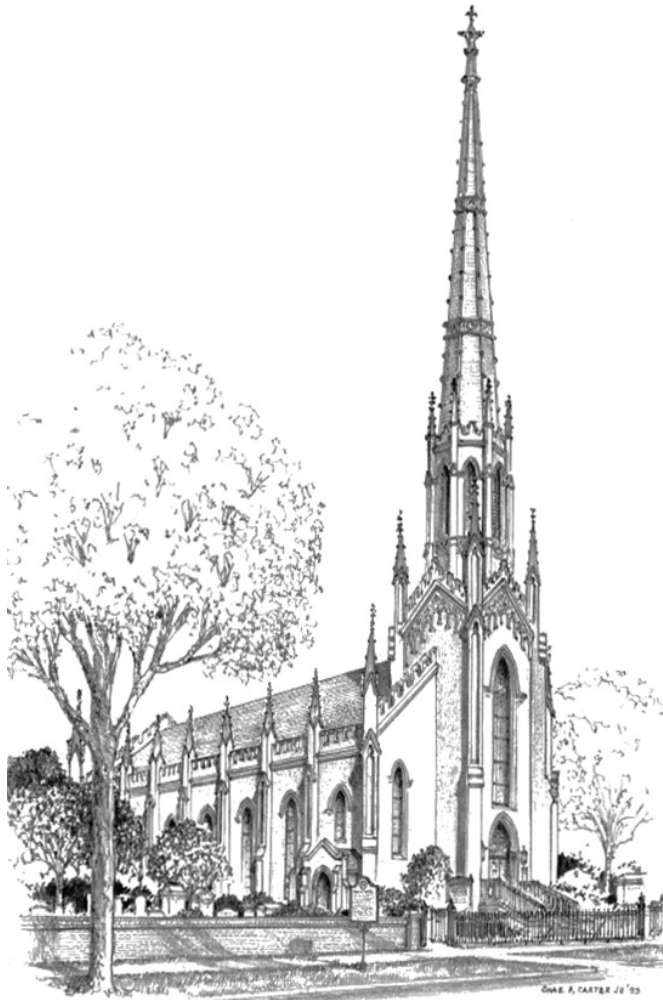


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# First Presbyterian Church



*Lord's Day, July 12, 2026*

8:30 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

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All is vain unless the Spirit  
Of the Holy One comes down.  
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Will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely,  
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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

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JOANNA

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## + INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which 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.

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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.

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## MORNING PRAYER

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**RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY** *I Am His, and He Is Mine*

Arranged by Paul S. Jones

Loved with everlasting love,  
Led by grace that love to know;  
Spirit breathing from above,  
Thou hast taught me it is so!  
O this full and perfect peace  
From His presence all divine;  
In a love which cannot cease,  
I am His and He is mine.

Heav'n above is softer blue,  
Earth around is sweeter green;  
Something lives in every hue  
Christless eyes have never seen!  
Birds in song His glories show,  
Flow'rs with deeper beauties shine,  
Since I know, as now I know,  
I am His, and He is mine.

His forever, only His;  
Who the Lord and me shall part?  
Ah, with what a rest of bliss  
Christ can fill the loving heart!  
Heav'n and earth may fade and flee,  
First-born light in gloom decline,  
But while God and I shall be,  
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+ **DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
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**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Genesis 44  
(ESV Standard Bible page 38, Children's Bible page 62)

**SERMON "How Do People Change?"**

Dr. Kevin DeYoung

**PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD OF GOD**

+ **HYMN 468** *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place*

LANDAS

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+ **BENEDICTION**

+ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN 730** *Benediction*

EVENING PRAYER

May the grace of Christ our Savior  
And the Father's boundless love,  
With the Holy Spirit's favor,  
Rest upon us from above.

Thus may we abide in union  
With each other and the Lord,  
And possess, in sweet communion,  
Joys which earth cannot afford.

**POSTLUDE** *Fuga in F, BuxWV 156*

Dietrich Buxtehude

Mr. Thomas Russell, organist

## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

*Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory  
for ever and ever. Amen. 1 Tim. 1:17*

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,  
3. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

# Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

*Will not the Judge of all the earth do right? Gen. 18:25*

1. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: his ho - ly will a -  
 2. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: he nev - er will de -  
 3. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: though now this cup, in  
 4. What - e'er my God or - dains is right: here shall my stand be

bid - eth; I will be still what - e'er he doth, and fol - low where he  
 ceive me; he leads me by the prop - er path; I know he will not  
 drink - ing, may bit - ter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all un -  
 tak - en; though sor - row, need, or death be mine, yet am I not for -

guid - eth. He is my God; though dark my road, he holds me  
 leave me. I take, con - tent, what he hath sent; his hand can  
 shrink - ing. My God is true; each morn a - new sweet com - fort  
 sak - en. My Fa - ther's care is round me there; he holds me

that I shall not fall: where - fore to him I leave it all.  
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## My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Rom. 5:8

G C G C Am G D G

1. My faith has found a rest - ing place, from guilt my soul is freed;  
 2. E - nough for me that Je - sus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;  
 3. My heart is lean - ing on the Word, the writ - ten Word of God:  
 4. My great Phy - si - cian heals the sick, the lost he came to save;

C G C Am G D G

I trust the ev - er - liv - ing One, his wounds for me shall plead.  
 a sin - ful soul I come to him, he'll nev - er cast me out.  
 sal - va - tion by my Sav - ior's name, sal - va - tion thro' his blood.  
 for me his pre - cious blood he shed, for me his life he gave.

REFRAIN  
 G D G C Am G D

I need no oth - er ar - gu - ment, I need no oth - er plea,

D<sup>7</sup> G C G C Am G D G<sup>7</sup>

it is e - nough that Je - sus died, and that he died for me.

# SERMON NOTES

“How Do People Change?”

Genesis 44 | Dr. Kevin DeYoung



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**Commissioning Service**

“Voices of Comfort”

Isaiah 40:1-11 | Rev. Sean Henderson

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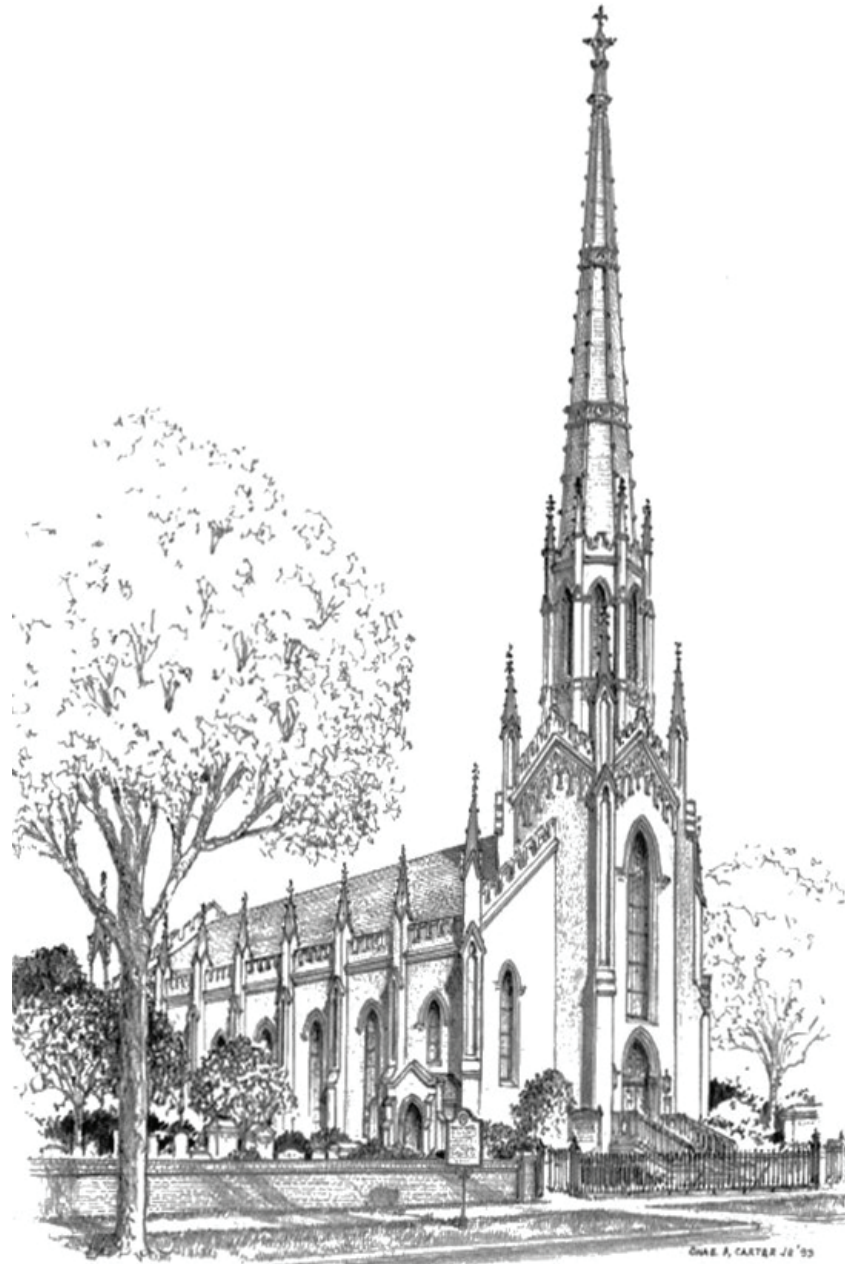
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JOANNA

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Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
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## **MORNING PRAYER**

+ **HYMN 108** *Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right*

WAS GOTT TUT

Whate'er my God ordains is right:  
His holy will abideth;  
I will be still whate'er he doth,  
And follow where he guideth.  
He is my God: though dark my road,  
He holds me that I shall not fall:  
Wherefore to him I leave it all.

Whate'er my God ordains is right:  
He never will deceive me;  
He leads me by the proper path;  
I know he will not leave me.  
I take, content, what he hath sent;  
His hand can turn my griefs away,  
And patiently I wait his day.

Whate'er my God ordains is right:  
Though now this cup, in drinking,  
May bitter seem to my faint heart,  
I take it, all unshrinking.  
My God is true; each morn anew  
Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart,  
And pain and sorrow shall depart.

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Here shall my stand be taken;  
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,  
Yet am I not forsaken.  
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## SCRIPTURE LESSON

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<sup>1</sup> Now Joseph gave these instructions to the steward of his house: “Fill the men’s sacks with as much food as they can carry, and put each man’s silver in the mouth of his sack. <sup>2</sup> Then put my cup, the silver one, in the mouth of the youngest one’s sack, along with the silver for his grain.” And he did as Joseph said.

<sup>3</sup> As morning dawned, the men were sent on their way with their donkeys. <sup>4</sup> They had not gone far from the city when Joseph said to his steward, “Go after those men at once, and when you catch up with them, say to them, ‘Why have you repaid good with evil? <sup>5</sup> Isn’t this the cup my master drinks from and also uses for divination? This is a wicked thing you have done.’”

<sup>6</sup> When he caught up with them, he repeated these words to them. <sup>7</sup> But they said to him, “Why does my lord say such things? Far be it from your servants to do anything like that! <sup>8</sup> We even brought back to you from the land of Canaan the silver we found inside the mouths of our sacks. So why would we steal silver or gold from your master’s house? <sup>9</sup> If any of your servants is found to have it, he will die; and the rest of us will become my lord’s slaves.”

<sup>10</sup> “Very well, then,” he said, “let it be as you say. Whoever is found to have it will become my slave; the rest of you will be free from blame.”

<sup>11</sup> Each of them quickly lowered his sack to the ground and opened it. <sup>12</sup> Then the steward proceeded to search, beginning with the oldest and ending with the youngest. And the cup was found in Benjamin’s sack. <sup>13</sup> At this, they tore their clothes. Then they all loaded their donkeys and returned to the city.

<sup>14</sup> Joseph was still in the house when Judah and his brothers came in, and they threw themselves to the ground before him.

<sup>15</sup> Joseph said to them, “What is this you have done? Don’t you know that a man like me can find things out by divination?”

<sup>16</sup> “What can we say to my lord?” Judah replied. “What can we say? How can we prove our innocence? God has uncovered your servants’ guilt. We are now my lord’s slaves—we ourselves and the one who was found to have the cup.”

<sup>17</sup> But Joseph said, “Far be it from me to do such a thing! Only the man who was found to have the cup will become my slave. The rest of you, go back to your father in peace.”

<sup>18</sup> Then Judah went up to him and said: “Pardon your servant, my lord, let me speak a word to my lord. Do not be angry with your servant, though you are equal to Pharaoh himself. <sup>19</sup> My lord asked his servants, ‘Do you have a father or a brother?’

<sup>20</sup> And we answered, ‘We have an aged father, and there is a young son born to him in his old age. His brother is dead, and he is the only one of his mother’s sons left, and his father loves him.’

<sup>21</sup> “Then you said to your servants, ‘Bring him down to me so I can see him for myself.’ <sup>22</sup> And we said to my lord, ‘The boy cannot leave his father; if he leaves him, his father will die.’

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## SERMON

Dr. Kevin DeYoung

### “How Do People Change?”

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LANDAS

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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.

My heart is leaning on the Word,  
The written Word of God:  
Salvation by my Savior's name,  
Salvation thro' his blood.

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The lost he came to save;  
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