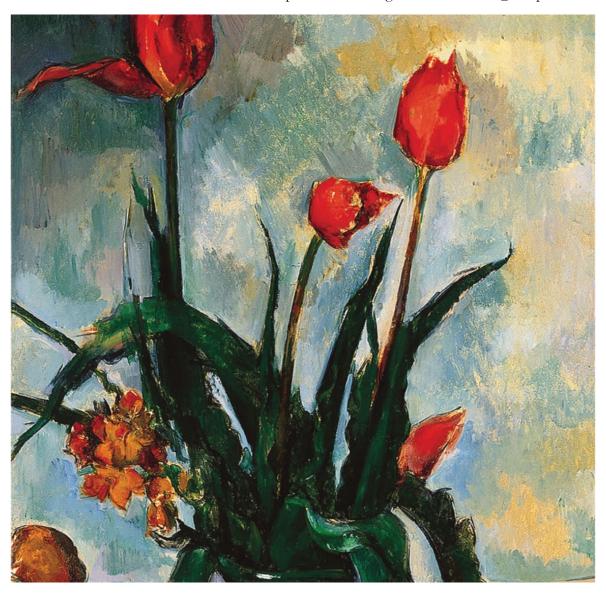
First Presbyterian Church Established 1988 PCA

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Who is First Presbyterian Church?

We belong to the family of the Redeemed.

Transformed by the grace of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are delighting in the supremacy of God in all things as we reach up to Him in worship, reach in to one another with biblical teaching and shepherding care, and reach out to the world with Christ.

So that in everything He might be preeminent. Colossians 1:18

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here today to worship the Triune God with us. Our prayer is that we will delight to:

Glorify God in all things, Trust him for all things, Proclaim him as King over all things, So that we might love God and others through all things.

Our worship begins with God calling us into worship from his Word; we respond in adoration and praise.

We then hear our God speak to us in his Word, profess our faith in him, confess our sins to him, and hear his assurance of our pardon by the work of Christ.

This leads to a response of rejoicing as we prepare to hear the Word of God preached. Our church practices expository preaching. This means that the Bible determines the content of the messages. The messages "come out of" the text. Ordinarily, we preach through books of the Bible; currently, we are working our way through Exodus.

In the book of Exodus we see the invisible hand of God leading God's people out of their sin and slavery into the promised land where they can worship him according to the instructions he gives. We are always looking for how these stories and instructions point us to Christ and the gospel empowered way to live.

Our Elders have been praying for you. May you encounter God today through his Word and by the presence of his Spirit.

Warmly, Pastor Andy

Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Psalm 121:1-2

Where does our help come from?

Our help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Preparation for Worship

O God most high, most glorious, the thought of your infinite serenity cheers me, for I am toiling, troubled and distressed, but you are forever at perfect peace. Your designs cause you no fear or care of fulfillment, they stand fast as the eternal hills. Your power knows no bond, your goodness no stint. You bring order out of confusion, and my defeats are your victories: the Lord God omnipotent reigns. I come to you as a sinner with cares and sorrows, to leave every concern entirely to you, every sin calling for Christ's precious blood. Revive deep spirituality in my heart; let me live near to the great shepherd, hear his voice, know its tones, follow its calls.

-The Valley of Vision

Call to Worship

Psalm 103:1-13

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

² Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

⁴ who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

⁵ who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

⁶ The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.

⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

⁸ The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹ He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.

¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

¹² as far as the east is from the west,

so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

Hymn of Praise — O Bless the Lord, My Soul (Psalm 103)



Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise — The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Psalm 23)



Scripture Reading — Matthew 11:25-30

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Profession of Faith — Westminster Shorter Catechism, Questions 23 and 26

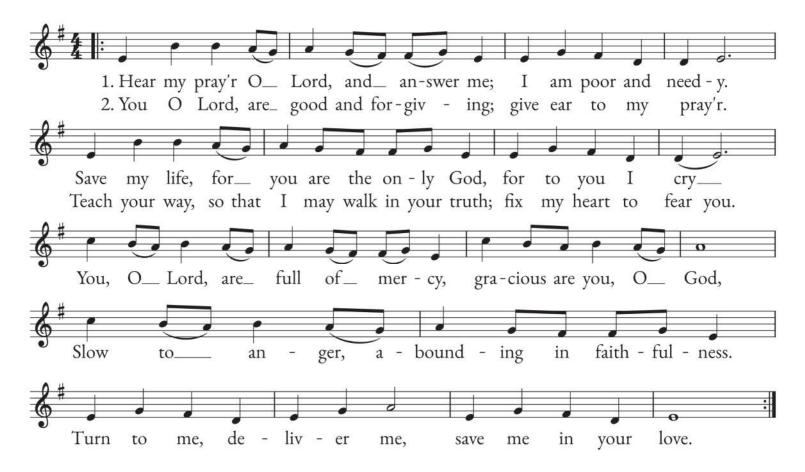
What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

How does Christ execute the office of a king?

Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Song of Confession — Hear My Prayer (Psalm 86)



Pastoral Prayer of Confession

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon — Romans 8:31-39

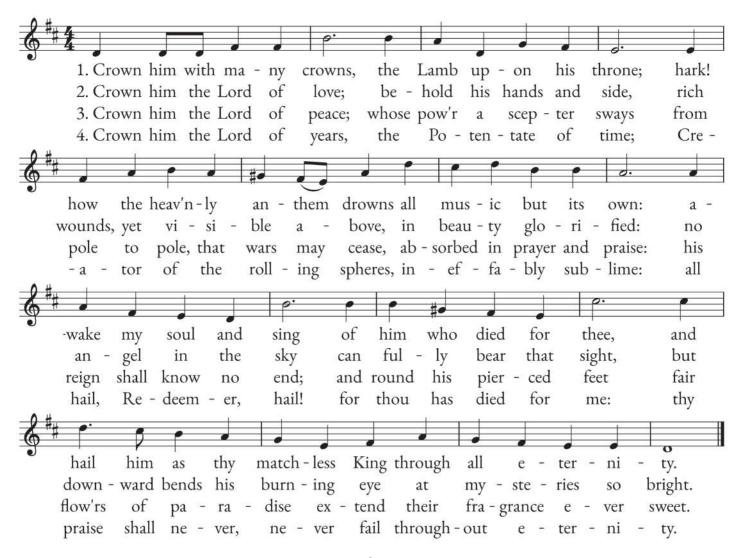
What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

To all who have received the Gospel, know that in Christ, your sins are forgiven and be at peace.

Hymn of Rejoicing — Crown Him with Many Crowns



Sermon Notes:

Song of Response - My Soul Find Rest in God Alone



Benediction – From Deuteronomy 33:12 and 1 Corinthians 15:58

Because of our faithful God, as the beloved of the Lord,
I pray you will rest secure in him
and know that he will shield you all day long.
May you be steadfast and immovable,
abounding in the work of the Lord,
knowing that in the Lord
your labor is not in vain.

News and Announcements

Let us love another, please silence your phone.

Mark your calendars for the annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, December 7.

Lydia Goeglein, missionary to Sofia, Bulgaria, will share during adult Sunday School, November 16, at 9:30. Lydia will also join us for the worship service and Fellowship Lunch. If you are able to provide food, the sign up sheets are in the hallway.

Operation Christmas Child filled boxes are due November 16.

Check your mailbox for the November 2025 Directory.

First Catechism

What is the gospel and its reward?

God, the righteous Creator, rescues sinful people from separation to himself through Jesus' sinless life, death, and resurrection. Repenting of our sins and believing in Jesus' work unites us to Jesus and transforms us to grow in ways pleasing to God. The eternal presence of God is our reward!

Weeks 1-5 God

Weeks 6-12 Creation

Weeks 13-19 Fall/Sin

Weeks 20-28 Salvation by grace alone, through Christ alone

Weeks 29-30 Repentance and Faith

Weeks 31-48 Growing in Grace

Weeks 49-52 Heaven now and in the future

Week 10 - November 9

What else did God make? God made all things.

Schedule

Sunday Morning Worship Service Sunday Morning Bible Study (all ages)

Sunday Evening Worship

Women's Monday Theology Study

Men's Thursday Bible Study

Octogenarian/Nonagenarian (ON) Lunch

Women's Tuesday Bible Study

Monthly 9:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m. On Break

10:45 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

2:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m.

Giving

General Fund

2025 week 11/2 \$ 11,445 Giving YTD \$ 495,576 YTD Budget \$ 417,586

Our Missionary Family International

Lydia Goeglein, MTW Sofia Bulgaria Brian & Becky Schrader, Pioneers in Africa Lee Leadbetter, RUF International at UT Julian & Rachel Bacon, MTW Brussels

Session

Andy Aikens TE, Senior Pastor Robert Berman, RE '27 Bobby Duck RE '25 Jim Sparks RE '26 Richard Parks RE '27 Forrest Marion RE, Clerk, '26

Staff

Music/Sound Director
School of Music Director
Finance/Admin

Matt Bundy
April Stewart
Holly Kisly

Ministry Support

Treasurer Bill Allbright
Newsletter Darlene Gendjar
Library Kathy Pipkin
Children's Ministry Hope Aikens

Deacon's Fund

2025 YTD Giving \$ 9,733 2024 Rollover \$ 2,610 2025 Disbursements \$ 2,092

North America & Local

Plateau Pregnancy Services Good Samaritans, 10th Street RUF Tennessee Tech, Ryan Angel Rural Church Development, Corey Pelton Myers Park Initiative, Greg Salazar Mercy Presbyterian, Rob Herron Occom Ministries, Native American Initiative

Deacons

Dave Miser, Chair '25 John Reed '26 Mike Tuuk '27

Security Team

Today Dan Dolan Next Week Cecil Smith

Greeters

Today Holly Kisly Next Week Judy Hawes

Nursery

Today Nancy & Eden Tuuk

Next Week Laura Powell Brianna Sears