

Our Mission

To Know Christ and To Make Him Known

Welcome to today's worship service. We are delighted that you are here. If you are visiting, we invite you to join by profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, by re-affirmation of faith, or by transfer. Please speak to the pastor after the service.

SERVING TODAY

Jackson Weller	Minister of Discipleship
Ashley Stanley-Robey	Music Director
Sound	David Clark
Video	Sam Meadema
Liturgist	Ray Beale
Greeter	David Swann
Side door/Offering	Kathy Dolianitis

BUDGET UPDATE

	September 1 – 30	YTD
Contributions	\$34,824.15	\$270,588.37
Expenditures	\$60,930.79	\$393,289.19
Difference	(-\$26,106.64)	(-\$122,700.82)

First Presbyterian Church

October 27, 2024

11 a.m.



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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A Service for the Worship of God

GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD

Reformation Sunday ~ October 27, 2024

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

PRELUDE "Be Still, My Soul" Jean Sibelius

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

People: Our God comes; he does not keep silence. God calls and we respond to his love.

Leader: The heavens declare God's righteousness.

People: We tell out God's glories!

Leader: Offer up to God your thanksgiving.

People: And our God will hear us, save us, and stay with us forever.

INVOCATION

Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling! Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy, and I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God. Amen.

HYMN #275

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

October 29th	Handbells 5:00pm Ladies Dinner 6:00pm
October 30th	Youth Group 6:00pm
October 31st	Bible Study 10:30am Choir Practice 4:30pm
November 2nd	Saturday Lunch Ministry 11:30am

There will be a congregational meeting Sunday November 3rd, immediately following church. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect officers for 2025. Your nominating committee has been working to find individual who have agreed to serve this church. We hope you will come and support this endeavor.

List of Session members

Class of 2024: Kathy Dolianitis, Brenna Takata*, Barbara Wilkins*, David Swann
Class of 2025: David Clark, Sam Meadema*, Eddie Blount*, Jackie Rochford*
Class of 2026: Barry Cutright, Gail Jones*, Kim Wimer
*Denotes Steering Committee Members

“Dear Heavenly Father”

Lyrics by J. Paul Williams | Based on Luke 11:3-8

Music by Lloyd Larson

Dear Heavenly Father, You alone are holy;
Let Your Kingdom come and help us do Your will.
Let us be as Your angels obeying each command.
Let Your Kingdom come, and let Your will be done.

Dear Heavenly Father, You alone are holy.
Please forgive our sins and help us do Your will.
Let us now forgive others as You’ve forgiven us.

Let Your will be done.
First stanza repeats.

Dear Heavenly Father, You alone are holy.
Let our needs be met and help us do Your will.
Let us flee from temptation; and turn from Satan’s power.

Let Your Kingdom come.
First stanza repeats.

Let Your Kingdom come; let Your will be done. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (a prayer by Martin Luther)

Leader: Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled. My Lord, fill it. I am weak in the faith; strengthen me. I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent, that my love may go out to my neighbor. I do not have a strong and firm faith; at times I doubt and am unable to trust you altogether. O Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you. In you I have sealed the treasure of all I have. I am poor; you are rich and came to be merciful to the poor. I am a sinner; you are upright. With me, there is an abundance of sin; in you is the fullness of righteousness.

People: Therefore, I will remain with you, of whom I can receive, but to whom I may not give. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (a prayer by John Calvin)

Leader: Let us never forget you, O Lord, nor your goodness. Let the remembrance of your mercy be always engraved on our minds.

People: Hear and believe this good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us, the children of God, stand and greet those around us with a handshake, hug, or reconciling words, sharing God’s blessings and then remain standing for the “Gloria Patri”.

RESPONSE

“Gloria Patri”

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.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Day School Children’s Songs

“ Jesus Loves Me”

A. Warner/W. Bradbury

“This Little Light of Mine”

Traditional/Leonard

(Children exit for Sunday School)

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Out of gratitude for all that God has provided for us and with hope for a future that continues to unfold toward God’s promised end, we bring our tithes and offerings for God’s work among us in this time and place.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (a prayer by Martin Luther)

O Lord, come to me and use my bread, silver and gold. How very well they are spent if I spend them in your service. Amen.

OFFERTORY:

"Peace Like a River"

African American Spiritual,
arr. C. E. Walz

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.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM

"Dear Heavenly Father"

J. Williams/L. Larson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (a prayer by Ulrich Zwingli)

Almighty, eternal, and merciful God, whose Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path, open and illuminate our minds that we may truly understand your Word and that our life may be conformed to what we have rightly understood, that in all our ways we may be pleasing to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE:

(716/753)

Mark 10:46-53

(813/855)

1 Corinthians 13

SERMON

“95 Problems”

Jackson Weller

HYMN #65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

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.

POSTLUDE

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Stralsund

BENEDICTION