

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 reaffirmation of faith, or by transfer. Please speak to the pastor after the service.

SERVING TODAY

Minister of Discipleship	Jackson Weller
Music Director	Ashley Stanley-Robey
Sound	Eddie Blount
Video	Alex Walthall
Liturgist	Maggie Weller
Greeter	Barbara Wilkins
Side door/Offering	Barbara Wilkins

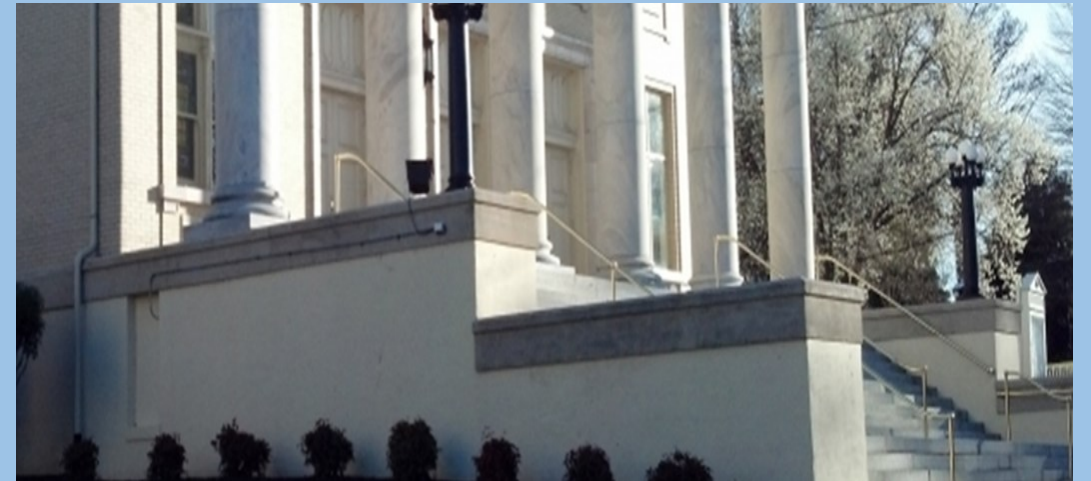
BUDGET UPDATE

	October 1 – 31	YTD
Contributions	\$33,143.12	\$303,731.49
Expenditures	\$40,694.11	\$433,983.30
Difference	(-\$7,550.99)	(-\$130,251.81)

First Presbyterian Church

November 17, 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

November 17, 2024

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR THE ANGEL TREE

PRELUDE "Morning Has Broken" Gaelic tune, arr. C.E. Walz

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 146)

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;

People: make known his deeds among the peoples!

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him;

People: tell of all his wondrous works!

Leader: Glory in his holy name;

People: let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

Leader: He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

People: He remembers his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations. Praise the Lord!

INVOCATION

Lord, today we recall your faithfulness. Thank you that you walk with us every day, that you are with us always. We proclaim that your promises are true and your goodness and love never fail. In this moment we come to you and lay our lives before you. May we honour, worship and adore you with every fibre of our being.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

November 19th	Handbells 5:00pm Ladies Dinner 6:00pm
November 20th	Wednesday Night Dinner 6:00pm
November 21st	Bible Study 10:30am Choir Practice 4:30pm
November 23rd	Men's Bible Study & Breakfast 8:30 am Saturday Lunch Ministry 11:30am

We will have our Wednesday Night Dinner November 20th, at 6:00 pm. Please use the enclosed reservation sign up to let us have an accurate head count. You can also call the office before noon Wednesday. We will be having Santa Fe stew, bread, salad, and a tasty dessert.

The Saturday Lunch Ministry will hold its annual Thanksgiving Meal on Saturday, November 23. This meal is a plated lunch served to our guests. We need lots of help from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. We will also need a small number of people to help on Friday morning, November 22, to help set tables, cut pies, and dish out cranberry sauce. If you can volunteer from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30, please let Jackie Rochford know.

There will be a community Thanksgiving Service Monday November 25th, at St. Luke's United Methodist Church at 7:00 pm.

Men's Bible Study and Breakfast is Saturday November 23rd at 8:00 am in Westminster Room.

Nov. 24 and Dec. 1 The congregation can choose Angels from the Angel tree. All gifts should be returned by December 8th.

“The King of Love, My Shepherd Is”

Text: Psalm 23 | Lyricist: Sir Henry W. Baker (1821-1877)

Composer: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Hymn tune: ST. COLUMBA | Arranger: Mark Schweizer (1956-2019)

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth;
And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never,
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

About the Anthem:

This arrangement by the late American composer Mark Schweizer combines the well-known Gaelic hymn tune, ST. COLUMBA, with J.S. Bach’s equally famous Prelude in C Major. It is an intriguing gentle combination of an Irish tune and the German Baroque composer’s first prelude for piano in his collection, The Well-Tempered Clavier. This set of lyrics for the twenty-third Psalm was written by Sir Henry Williams Baker, a Vicar and hymnwriter in the Church of England. He was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge and took Holy Orders just after his college graduation. He is known for using simple language and smooth lyrical rhythms. Baker completed John Mason Neale’s English translation for, “Of the Father’s Love Begotten.” This paraphrase of Psalm 23 is his most popular work; it has three additional verses that are not included in this arrangement. Henry Baker’s last words were the third verse of this Psalm setting,

“Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing, brought me.”

HYMN #840

When Peace like a River

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, too often we settle for the way things are. We embrace what is comfortable and disengage from the work of necessary change. We fail to hope for a new day and a new world because our present reality feels good enough. Forgive us. Have mercy upon us. Fill us with the passion to live and work towards a world made just and equitable and new. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Matthew 9:2)

Leader: “When Jesus saw their faith, he said...“Take heart...your sins are forgiven.” **Amen.**

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.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING (2 Corinthians 9:11)

“You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God.” Let us present our tithes and offerings to the Lord.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, maker and provider of all, you have blessed us with many gifts. Use us, and what we have gathered, to feed the world through your love; through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY: "Air" from *Water Music*, G. F. Handel

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 "The King of Love, My Shepherd Is" H. Baker/J.S. Bach, arr. M. Schweizer

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (adapted from Psalm 19:14)
Open us, Holy One, to your Word and your Way. Clear our minds of daily distractions. Fill our hearts with the humility we need to hear and receive the message you intend for us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: (670/636) Daniel 12:1-3
(893/851) Hebrews 10:11-25
(756/719) Mark 13:1-8

SERMON "What to do at the end?" Jackson Weller

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN #39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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 "Ode to Joy" from *Symphony No. 9 in D Minor* L. Beethoven

BENEDICTION

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