ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today Please greet your neighbors and pass the Fellowship Pad

Monday October 6 Day Circle 12:30pm

Evening Circle 7:00pm

Tuesday October 7 Handbells 5:00pm

Ladies Dinner 6:00pm

Wednesday October 8 Wednesday Night Dinner 6:00pm

Thursday October 9 Bible Study 10:30am

Choir 4:30pm

Saturday October 11 Sat. Lunch Ministry 11:30am

Worship Committee will meet immediately following worship today.

The Evening Circle will met Monday October 6 at the home of Karan Johnson. Joyce Perez is the leader of the Bible study and discussion. Call 799-5662 if you need directions or have any questions. The Day Circle will meet Monday October 6 at 12:30 in the Westminster room.

We will have baked spaghetti, salad, a delicious dessert, and tea/coffee for our Wednesday night dinner. Team 2 is in charge. Please use the reservation form in the bulletin or call the office by noon Wednesday if you plan to attend.

SERVING TODAY

Minister of Discipleship Jackson Weller

Music Director Ashley Stanley-Robey

Sound David Parris
Video Alex Walthall
Liturgist Brenna Takata
Greeter Barbara Wilkins
Side door/Offering Eddie Blount

List of Session members

Class of 2025: David Clark, Sam Meadema, Eddie Blount, Jackie Rochford Class of 2026: Barry Cutright, Gail Jones, Kim Wimer, Ava Barrett

Class of 2027: Barbara Wilkins, Joan Reynolds, Pat Pinckney, Kent Shelton

Trustees: Bob Newnam(27), Ray Beale(26), Gary Wimer(25)

BUDGET UPDATE

	August 1-31	FY 2025
Contributions	\$20,849.32	\$278,044.35
Expenditures	\$25,505.81	\$278,094.64
Difference	(-\$ 4,656.49)	(-\$ 50.29)

If you enter the hospital, your church will have no way of knowing unless you notify us. Please let us know of your hospital stay so that we may respond with pastoral care.

A Warm Welcome

We would love to have you join our church family. If you are moved to do so by the Lord, please talk to one of the elders or our pastor.

THE COLUMNS OF THE

First Presbyterian Church

Danville, Virginia

October 5, 2025 World Communion Sunday



Welcome

This church opens wide its doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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A Service for the Worship of God **GATHER TO GLORIFY GOD**

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CHIMING OF THE HOUR WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

CHORAL INTROIT

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 103)

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,

People: Bless God's Holy Name. Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: and do not forget God's benefits, who forgives all our

iniquity, who heals all our diseases, Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: who redeems our life, who crowns us with steadfast

love and mercy.

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: who satisfies us with good as long as we live so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's. Bless the Lord.

INVOCATION

Gracious God, for the gift of faith which sees beyond the present moment and looks to an eternity, we thank you. For the gift of faith small as a mustard seed, which has power within its simplicity, we thank you. For the gift of faith bestowed on those who would simply come, hearts open in humility, we thank you. Amen.

*HYMN#

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. We look at a world undone by strife, torn by violence, separated by hatred. Yet you call us to walk the way of peace. Forgive us, O Lord, for refusing to follow you on this path because the cost is too high, the direction too confusing, the conditions too harsh. Forgive us our complacency. Grant us clarity of vision to see the light, And the strength to walk behind you. In the power of your Spirit we pray, Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from Luke 1)

By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

SIGNS OF RECONCILIATION

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

Leader: Let us the children of God, having confessed our sins and been reconciled to God, having been assured of God's

graciousness and mercy, stand and offer that same peace and reconciliation to our brothers and sisters in Christ, forgiving each other and offering grace and peace.

Please 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 (from 2 Peter 3)

All things in heaven and earth belong to God, who is coming in glory to reveal a new creation. Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Most loving and gracious God, we are thankful. We are thankful for your grace to us in Jesus Christ, for your gift of the church in its global witness, for the capacity to give. May these gifts help prepare the way of peace in our community around the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

OFFERTORY

*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

ANTHEM

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, as we read your word, may your Spirit speak through it that it may be for us the word of life. Amen.

SCRIPTURE:	(614/581)	Lamentations 1:1-6
	(884/842)	2 Timothy 1: 1-14
	(780/741)	Luke 17:5-10

SERMON "A Faith That Endures" **Jackson Weller**

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INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF GOD'S CHILDREN

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*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

*BENEDICTION

*Please stand if able.