

FIRST



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



October 12, 2025

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 12, 2025

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

PRELUDE

Sortie on "National Hymn"

Lani Smith

CHIMING THE HOUR

WHO WE ARE

Leader: We are called Christians but what does that mean?

People: We are a welcoming community of disciples of Jesus Christ continually demonstrating God's reign.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you people!

People: With shouts of joy we celebrate the good news of God's love.

Leader: Open your hearts to the warmth of God's redeeming love.

People: God has poured such wonder into our lives!

Leader: Come, let us worship God with hearts and souls and voices!

People: Let our praise ring to the rafters and ascend to the heavens!

*HYMN NO. 466 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

AZMON

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of All, we come to you freely, asking for healing and grace—yet we confess we do not always return with thanks. We expect much but offer little. We cry out in our need, but neglect you in our abundance. We praise you with our lips, but not with our lives. Forgive us, Lord, and make us whole. Teach us to live with gratitude in every moment. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The saying is sure: If we have died with Christ, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him.

People: We are clothed with the righteousness of Christ. Our sin is forgiven! Thanks be to God.

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

***KYRIE**

Hymn No. 572

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

***THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:11-19

*Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?
Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?*
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Amazing Grace

arr. Martin Green

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.
The Lord has promised good to me;
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.
Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come.
His grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.*

SERMON

Grateful to the Core Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN NO. 333**

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

***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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Beautiful Savior

Dale Wood

***DOXOLOGY**

Hymn No. 592

*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

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Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN NO. 423**

Jesus Shall Reign (vss. 1-4)

DUKE STREET

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (all sing)**

*Let every creature rise and bring
Honors peculiar to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen!*

***POSTLUDE**

God of Our Fathers

Stanley E. Saxton

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS-- Monthly volunteers are needed to help at both services on Sunday mornings. If you would like more information, please contact Kristy in the church.

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

October 15, 6:00 p.m.

Soup Cookoff

See insert for more information.

THANK YOU to everyone who donated and volunteered for yesterday's Rise Against Hunger food packaging event. Together, we packaged over 10,000 meals.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP NIGHT – Ladies of the church are invited to meet together for food and fellowship at our **Women's Group Night** on Thursday, October 16, at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel. Bring a sack dinner and join us as we gather for great fellowship.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – There will be a Congregational Meeting on October 19 at 10:45 a.m. for the purpose of electing officers.

LADIES' BINGO NIGHT – All ladies of the church are invited to attend Bingo Night on Monday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m. Bring a \$15 gift and a friend and join the fun.

TRUNK OR TREAT – FPC will host our fifth community **Trunk or Treat** on Sunday, October 26, from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m., and we need your help. We are looking for members of the congregation who are willing to host "trunks"—people who decorate the trunks of their cars and hand out candy in our parking lot. To volunteer, please contact Kristy in the office. If you would like to donate candy for this event, please drop it off in the church office.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5th -12th grade) will meet on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today

9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Session Meeting

Monday

Office Closed for Holiday

6:00 p.m. New Day Group

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Preschool
5:00 p.m. Teachers' Dinner
5:30 p.m. Women's Group
6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Friday

Saturday

SESSION

Class of 2025

W.P. Bone
Jack Emmert
Frank Reeves

Class of 2026

Carol Hill
Margaret Ann Trail
Allen Vance

Class of 2027

Marilyn Peyton

OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Jack Emmert
Allen Vance
Beth Bouton
Nancy Gebhardt
Mickey Stueck

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – Jim Stueck
Budget & Finance – Jim Stueck
Buildings and Grounds – Allen Vance
Congregational Care & Outreach – Margaret Ann Trail
Personnel – Jack Emmert
Worship & Christian Education – Mickey Stueck

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Organist/Director of Music – Darryl Nettles
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
NCC Worship Leader – Mitch Kamp
Preschool Director – Angela Belcher
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children

Elementary Class and
Middle - High School Class

Adult

Crossroads Class
Faith Builders Class

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