

# First Presbyterian Church

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**Then Jesus said to them, “Give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s and to God what is God’s.” Mark 12:17**

## **Constitution of the United States of America**

Article VI: The Senators and Representatives before mentioned, and the Members of the several State Legislatures, and all executive and judicial Officers, both of the United States and of the several States, shall be bound by Oath or Affirmation, to support this Constitution; but no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or public Trust under the United States.

First Amendment: Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

## **President Dwight D. Eisenhower’s second inaugural address:**

“May we pursue the right--without self-righteousness.

May we know unity--without conformity.

May we grow in strength--without pride in self.

May we, in our dealings with all peoples of the earth, ever speak truth and serve justice.

“May the light of freedom, coming to all darkened lands, flame brightly--until at last the darkness is no more.

May the turbulence of our age yield to a true time of peace, when men and nations shall share a life that honors the dignity of each, the brotherhood of all.”

## **Senator and Presidential Candidate Adlai Stevenson**

“a patriotism that puts country ahead of self; a patriotism which is not short, frenzied outbursts of emotion, but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime.”

*July 7, 2024*

Prelude

Piano, Jeanne Dennis / Trumpet, Owen Thomason

“God of Our Fathers”

\*Praise Song # 336

“We Gather Together”

Welcome and Announcements

\*Praise Song # 337

“My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”

Opening Prayer

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Time

(During this time the children will collect pennies for  
hunger to feed those in need)

## Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*...Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our **debts**, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Anthem

Solo / Leon Monroe

“God Bless America”

God's Word

Jeremiah 7:1-15 / Mark 12:14-17

God's Word Proclaimed

Rev. Dr. Tom Currie

“God Works in Mysterious Ways”

Offertory

Jeanne Dennis

“God Bless America”

Prayer of Dedication

\*Praise Song # 338

“O Beautiful For Spacious Skies”

\*Epilogue

\*Praise Song # 415

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Postlude

Samuel Francis Smith

“My Country 'Tis of Thee

\*All who are able may stand.  
Help yourself to refreshments at any time.

## Opportunities for the Week of July 7<sup>th</sup> – July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Today: 9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Praise Service / 2 Cents a Meal  
11:15 a.m. Hand Chime Practice  
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. Choir Practice  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. Reading & Lunch in the Park (Kiser Park)  
Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn

## Announcements

We thank the Rev. Dr. Tom Currie for leading us in worship today.

Thank you to all of those who helped yesterday at the Robbins Food Bank.

We are switching to an online directory that can continually be updated. We will provide directory sheets (on tables and in later weeks in the upper and lower narthex) to get everyone's information. Please fill it out and return to Michelle Tortora. You can also email the information and a clear, family appropriate picture to her at [mrstortora@hotmail.com](mailto:mrstortora@hotmail.com).

The Sandhills Bogeys have several home games coming up in July. The Sunday night games are July 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> and begin at 6:00 p.m. Other dates are July 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and begin at 7:00 p.m. All games are played at Sandhills Community College. Tickets are \$7.00 dollars for ages 11 and up and children under 10 are free. Concession is available and you may want to bring a chair. Carpool available, please contact Nancy Carter, David Casey or contact the church office.

“Reading and Lunch” will take place on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of this month for those in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Kiser Park. This is a joint effort with Grace Church.

The Men’s Group is collecting paper towels and feminine products for Friend to Friend. All donations may be left in the Family Life Center. Contact Keith Hardin with any questions.

Mark your calendars! VBS will take place August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>. More details will be coming.

Robbins Food Bank will take place on August 10<sup>th</sup> instead of the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Note the change.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Sharon & John McDonald.