

First Presbyterian Church

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June 9th, 2024

We welcome you not as strangers but as a part of God's family! We are a community of faith that gathers to praise our Lord and Savior, serve others, search for answers, and enjoy the fellowship of one another. We hope today you will be challenged and discover encouragement. The peace of Christ be with you!

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 9, 2024

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

*Worship begins with the Prelude. Please use this time for **silent** preparation.*

PRELUDE

"Sound Aloud the Trumpet"
"Be Thou My Vision"

Owen Thomason
Hand Chime Choir

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*

CHORAL INTROIT

"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

Brian Doerksen

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Based on Psalm 130

Leader: With God, there is forgiveness.

People: *With God, there is steadfast love.*

Leader: With God there is great power to redeem.

People: *We wait for the Lord, who is our hope.*

Unison: *Through the long night, we watch for God more passionately than for the sun's first light!*

PRAYER OF PRAISE

*HYMN OF ADORATION # 401

“Here in This Place”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God, we try to hide from Your presence, knowing that we have traded Your abundant life for a wasteland of sin. We have not followed Your will, but instead listened to other voices and pursued our own desires at the expense of others. We are so misguided that we cannot discern good from evil, making the wrong choice, choosing the wrong side.

We ask for the courage to tell You truthfully what we have done. We pray for forgiveness so that we can live with ourselves, with others, and with You. You alone can restore us. In steadfast love, look upon us and clothes us in Your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

*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.*

A MOMENT WITH OUR CHILDREN

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION # 829

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

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.*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20, Page 251

ANTHEM

Rodgers / Wyse

“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1, Page 181

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

Rev. Rick Martindale

“God Transcends Our Victories and Losses”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Hymn Book, Page 35

“The Apostles’ Creed”

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

Robinson/Thompson/Farren

“Yet Not I But Christ in Me” (Second Verse Only)

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn # 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING GOD’S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT # 846

“Fight the Good Fight”

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL AMEN

Traditional

“Danish Amen”

*POSTLUDE

Rich Mullins

“Awesome God”

**Please stand if able.*

Opportunities for the Week of June 9th – June 16th, 2024

Today: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn
 11:15 a.m. Hand Chime Practice
 11:15 a.m. Session Meeting
Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Administrative Committee Meeting
 6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School Meeting
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. Choir Practice
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service / Communion
 11:15 a.m. Hand Chime Practice

Announcements

Spend a few minutes after church sipping on some cool lemonade and enjoying a cookie (or two) in a time of fellowship. Everyone is invited.

Thank you to those who helped at the “Reading & Lunch” at Kiser Park yesterday from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. with Grace Church, Carthage. The next opportunity to help will be on Saturday, June 22nd.

Unity Fest will be taking place the weekend of June 21st – 23rd at Union Pines High School. Advanced tickets are required but they are free. Great Christian singers/groups performing (including Casting Crowns on Saturday night).

The Fellowship and Missions committee has organized an outing for the congregation to attend a baseball game of the Sandhills Bogeys. The tentative date is Monday, June 24th. Tickets are \$7.00 apiece for ages 11 and over. Children 10 and under are free. Concessions will be available at the ballpark. A sign-up sheet is available in the lower narthex. Contact David Casey or Nancy Carter for more information.

Next year, FPC will be celebrating 175 years of service to this community and beyond. It’s an amazing feat! If you are interested in helping to make this celebration a wonderful reality, please let Rev. Martindale or a member of the session know.

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. Please contact Keith Hardin with any questions at 910-603-0837. Monetary donations are accepted. Thank you for your support.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Kay Patterson.