



Welcome to Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

SHARING THE
GOOD NEWS

MAY 10, 2026
11 a.m.

ELDER BRIAN PEARCE,
GUEST SPEAKER

Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | May 10, 2026

Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly.

Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

Prelude

"Adoration"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

Florence B Price

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

Call To Worship #614

"Great Are You Lord"

GREAT IS THE LORD

Great are you, Lord: you are holy and just;

by your power we trust in your love.

Great are you, Lord: you are faithful and true:

by your mercy you prove you are love.

Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory!

Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.

Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voice; we lift up our voice:

Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #12

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

ST. DENIO

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, forgive us for all we forget. We forget you are near. We forget that you are everywhere. We forget that in you is found the true life of all. Forgive the sin that prevents us from seeing beyond ourselves. Through the mercy of Christ, lift up our heads, lift up our eyes and open our hearts that we may see you. Having seen you, guide us to help others open their hearts to you as well. Hear now the silent prayers and confessions of our hearts.

(We pray in silence.) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Response #581

"Glory Be to the Father"

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.

Anthem

"How Sweet the Sound"
Women's Ensemble
Mya S. and Sarah Szopinski,, percussion
Mary Ann Tally, accompanist

Christi Jones

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Rodney Baker

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.

Offering

Offertory Anthem "Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing"
Celebration Choir
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

Gordon Young

Offertory Response, #609 "Praise God, from Whom LASST UNS ERFREUEN
All Blessings Flow"

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Offertory Prayer**Time for Children**

Children 2nd grade and younger are invited to Children's Church+

Scripture

Acts 17:22-31

Message

"Sharing The Good News"

Elder Brian Pearce

Hymn #295

"Go To The World"

SINE NOMINE

Benediction

Benediction Response

"Go Now In Peace"

Besig and Price

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.*

Postlude

"Festal March (Marietta)"*
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

Florence B. Price

+ Children's Church is available for 2nd grade children and younger, and meets in room 118 of the Nursery Wing. Childcare is available for all worship services in the Nursery Wing

**Join us for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Eller Hall.
Thank you to today's hosts: The Good Book Sunday School Class**

Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers this Sunday are given to the Glory of God
by Alex and Madeline McFadyen in loving memory
of Brenda Carter McFadyen.

The Chapel flowers are given to the glory of God
by the Chapel Flower Guild.



*About the Composer

Florence B. Price (1887-1953)

Florence Price was an American composer, pianist, organist, and teacher. She created over 300 works, including for orchestra, various combinations of chamber ensemble, choir, voice and piano, organ, and solo piano. Her compositions often blend Euro-American art music forms with elements from her African American heritage, such as melodies that reference those of spirituals.

During her life, Price was the first African American woman to earn major recognition as a symphonic composer. However, despite her successes, she struggled to have her works widely performed and openly acknowledged that her being a woman and a person of color were barriers. Much of her catalogue was neglected after her death, but in recent years, new research about her life and work and the revival of her compositions in performance have begun to more fully illuminate her contributions to American music.

Giving & Tithes

Contributions help us continue our ministry and mission to serve Christ and share His gospel through meaningful worship, loving fellowship, spiritual growth, and compassionate outreach. Scan the code to the right to make a financial contribution -or- visit www.firstprez.com/give



SCAN ME

HAPPENING TODAY

- 9 a.m. Worship Service
- 10 a.m. Get Ready! Get Set! Worship!
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, May 11

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 4 p.m. UPWARDS Spring Pickleball
- 6:30 p.m. CE Committee (Virtual)

Tuesday, May 12

- 6 p.m. Stated Deacons Meeting
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 13

- 6:30 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 14

- 5 p.m. Hannah Circle
- 5:15 p.m. Canticle Ringers
- 6 p.m. Courtside Connections Pickleball

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 17 • Graduate Sunday
 - The Gathering: Foundations
- May 18 • Personnel Committee
 - David's Mighty Men
- May 19 • S.A.L.T. Lunch at Sammio's
 - Finance Committee
 - Stated Session Meeting
- May 24 • **Pentecost Sunday**
- May 25 • Church Office Closed
- May 26 • COAP Zoom Meeting
- May 28 • Property Committee Meeting
- May 29 • VBS Work Day
- June 2 • Worship Committee
- June 3 • S.A.L.T. Seagrove Pottery Tour
- June 4 • Engagement Committee
- June 5 • VBS Work Day
- June 6 -13 • Mexico Mission Trip
- June 10 - 12 • VBS Set Up
- June 14 • Stephen Ministry Meeting
- June 15 - 18 • Vacation Bible School
- June 28 - July 4 • Youth Mission Trip



Scan Me

Please register for lunch at bit.ly/FPCGrad or scan the QR code.

May 17 at 11 a.m.

High school and college graduates will be recognized during the 11 a.m. worship service, followed by a potluck luncheon in Fellowship Hall.

Have a graduate in your family? Contact Jess at youth@firstprez.com



Sanctuary flower donors are needed for
May 24 (Pentecost Sunday),
May 31 (Memorial Day Weekend), and June 7.

Contact Debra Chestnutt at debra@chestnutt.com or (910) 818-9006

Monetary donations are welcome for flowers in the Sanctuary.

Just indicate "Flower Fund" on envelope or check.



s.a.l.t.

Seasoned Adults Learning Together

Tuesday, May 19

We will meet at Sammio's
at 11:30 a.m. RSVP to
Ann Rowell at 910-391-2134

Wednesday, June 3

Seagrove Pottery tour and lunch
at Cagle Family Restaurant.
We will depart the church at 8:30 a.m.
RSVP to Ann Rowell at 910-391-2134.



Buy A Block / Build A House

The Buy A Block / Build A House program was created so that anyone - volunteer or not - can be a part of the construction of a home for a well-deserving family in Reynosa, Mexico.

Ways to be a part of this ministry:

- Prayerfully consider buying a \$10 block(s).
- Submit prayers and Scripture verses for the families whose homes are under construction. These cards will be placed in the blocks as teams build the walls so that the future home is covered with Scripture and prayers for the families. It is not necessary that you buy a block in order to leave a prayer/scripture card.
- Continue to pray for the health and safety of Faith Ministry's staff, volunteers, Board of Directors, and friends across the world as they continue to take small steps toward "normalcy".

**Pick up your
Prayer & Scripture
card in Eller Hall!**





JUNE
15 - 18
9 AM - 12 PM

**REGISTRATION IS
ALMOST FULL!**

Volunteers & campers:

Register online at:
bit.ly/VBSatFPC
or scan the QR code



VBS needs your help!

Here are some items for VBS that you may already have

at home or they can be purchased new. We appreciate your help!

Brown Packing Paper - pieces or rolls (the stuff from your amazon boxes)

Foam Craft Sheets - any size, but larger is better (green, brown, white)

Foam Insulation Boards/Large Foam Sheets - whole or partial

Paint (new or opened) - house, acrylic, spray (greens, browns, blues, bright colors)

Cardstock - white, green, bright colors

Tissue Paper - brown/tan

White Foam Poster Boards

Large Appliance or TV Boxes - flattened is fine

2x4s - if you have any extras laying around

Wire Hangers

Painter's Tape - blue and green

White Twin Bed Sheet

Flat Bed Sheets - blues, tans, browns, greens, whites

Duct Tape - green, black, brown

Large Bubble Wrap

Plastic Table Cloths - greens

Cupcake Liners - white, colorful

Napkins - any color and size

Disposable Drinking Cups - 5oz., qty 600

Plastic Spoons - qty 100

Plastic Sandwich Bags - qty 100

6 inch Paper Plates

Plastic Knives - qty 100

Balloons - any color

Green Chenille Stems - qty 100

Band-aids

Index Cards - neon, qty 100

Pool Noodles - slim, any color, qty 10

**We would like to borrow these items
and they will be returned to you:**

Faux Greenery, Plants, Trees

Hand Mirrors - qty 8

Butterfly Net

Fishing Vests

**Several yards of Tulle
or Mosquito Net**



**Help VBS in
the easiest way!**

Check out our Amazon Wish List,
pick out your items and have your
donation delivered to the church.
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ARE YOU A FIRST TIME VISITOR?

We'd love to connect with you!

Be sure to fill out a Connect Card and put it in the offering plate or leave it with the pastor on your way out. We also have a gift for you!

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Sunday Services

9 a.m. Early Service, Chapel | 11 a.m. Service, Sanctuary

Our mission at First Presbyterian Church is to *serve* Jesus Christ and *share* His gospel through meaningful worship, loving fellowship, spiritual growth, and compassionate outreach within our community and throughout the world.

#ServeandShare