



Welcome to Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

BE STILL

AUGUST 17, 2025
11 a.m.

GUEST PASTOR
REV. CRAIG MORRISON

Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | August 17 2025

Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly.

Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

Prelude

"Trumpet Tune in G"
Roger Holmes, trumpet
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

Jeremy J. Bankson

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

Call To Worship #413

COME INTO HIS PRESENCE

*1 Come into God's presence singing
"Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia."*

*4 Praise the Lord together, singing
"Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God."*

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn #275

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, help us be still and know that you are God. We move at such a hectic pace that we neglect our relationship with you. Our lives become full of distractions that are nothing but shifting sand. Forgive our sins of spiritual neglect through the mercy of Christ our Lord. Enable us, O God, to rebuild our lives on the firm foundation of your Word. We ask it in Jesus' name. Hear now our silent confessions. *(Our prayer continues 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

"God Is Our Refuge"
The Celebration Choir
Roger Holmes, trumpet
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

Allen Pote

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Bengie Hair

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

"Be Still My Soul" J. Sibelius/arr. Lloyd Larson
Don Perkins and Kellie Pfaff Perkins, duet
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

Doxology, #609

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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*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

Recognition of Wanda Ussery

Time for Children

Children are invited to Children's Church+

Scripture

Psalm 46

Message

"Be Still"

Rev. Craig Morrison

Hymn #840

"When Peace like a River"

VILLE DU HAVRE

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

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

Gordon Young

+ Children's Church is available for elementary age 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:

Deacons Class of 2025

Today's Flowers

*The Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory
of our grandmother Annie Hicks Martin, known as "Mamo" to us.
Ann T. Cleveland, Barbara M. Alexander, and Bengie M. Hair*

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

*The rosebud on the Communion Table today are placed in honor of the birth of
Levi Dean Childers, born on July 29, 2025, son of Morgan and Daniel Childers,
and grandson of Johnson and Debra Chestnutt.*

Sanctuary flower donors are needed for August 31.

Monetary donations are always welcome.

Indicate "Flower Fund" on envelope or check.

Contact Debra Chestnutt at

debra@chestnutt.com or (910) 818-9006



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. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 12 p.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, August 18

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 12 p.m. Personnel Committee

Tuesday, August 19

- 5 p.m. Mission Conference Committee
- 6 p.m. Stated Joint Meeting
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, August 23

- 10 a.m. Jubilate Deo Kick-Off Rehearsal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 24 • Rally Day

- Pancake Breakfast
- Back to School Blessing
- Children's Anthem Anniversary Rehearsal

Aug 25 • David's Mighty Men

Aug 26 • COAP Meeting (Zoom)

Aug 29 • Lowlanders Meeting

Sep 1 • Church Office closed

- H3 F Birthday Bash

Sep 2 • S.A.L.T. breakfast at JK's

Sep 3 • Soul Striders begins

- All In Fellowship Meals begin
- Historical Presentation

Sep 7 • 225th Anniversary Celebration

- Historical Scavenger Hunt
- Kingdom Kidz & S.U.R.G.E. resume

Sep 10 • Stretch & Scripture begins

- Adult Christian Education Class begins

Sep 11 • Tapestry begins

Sep 14 • MomCo begins

Rally Day & Back-to-School Blessing Sunday, August 24

*Join us as we kick-off the fall season of ministry and learning
with a joyful day of worship, fellowship, and celebration!*

Register
for the
pancake
breakfast!

9 a.m. Worship in the Chapel

10 a.m. Pancake Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
Kids will create a teacher's gift.

11 a.m. Back-to-School Blessing

Kids -
Remember
to bring
your empty
backpack!



Register for the Pancake Breakfast online at
bit.ly/FPC2025KickOff or scan the QR Code.

August 24 is also Promotion Sunday! Children will move up to their next age group for Sunday School. Kindergardeners join Elementary Sunday School and 6th graders join Youth Sunday School.



"Come, Children, And Join In Our Festival Song" - Rehearsal and Lunch

Sunday, August 24 - 12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

First grade & up children, youth, handchime, and handbell ringers are invited to learn some very special music for the 225th anniversary worship celebration!
Meet for pizza lunch in the activity room, then rehearsal for all in the choir room.





H3 F BIRTHDAY BASH

FROM SIPPY CUPS TO DENTURES—everyone's INVITED!

SEPTEMBER 1 AT 12 p.m.



SCAN ME!

Congregational Care will provide the main course, drinks, and the **CAKE!**

Bring a side, salad, bread or dessert to share with 8-10 people.

RSVP to the Birthday Bash today — because if you've got a birthday, you've got a reason to party!

Visit bit.ly/H3FBirthday or scan the QR Code.



Help Us Feed the Fun! Sundays | 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Each week, our Kingdom Kidz and Youth group S.U.R.G.E., gather for fun, faith, and fellowship—and one of the most meaningful parts of their time together is sharing a meal! We need your help to keep this tradition going. Meals are made possible by our amazing volunteers, families, and church members.

Would you consider signing up to provide dinner one Sunday this season?

Past favorites include: Hot dogs • Tacos • Pizza • Pasta • Chicken tenders

(Feel free to team up with another family!)

Sign up today! Visit bit.ly/KidzMeal or scan the QR code.

Have questions?

Contact Britany at britany@firstprez.com or Jessica Jones at youth@firstprez.com.



Sign up here!



225th Anniversary Celebration Luncheon

Join us on Saturday, September 7 at 12 p.m. as we celebrate the 225th anniversary of First Presbyterian Church with a special catered luncheon. Enjoy a delicious menu featuring roast beef, turkey, mashed potatoes, squash casserole, green beans, garden salad, rolls, and dessert.



SCAN ME

Cash/Check - \$8 per adult | \$4 per child (ages 10 and under)

Paid Online - \$8.50 per adult | \$4.50 per child (ages 10 and under)

Sign up online at bit.ly/225Celebration or scan the QR Code.

PICKLEBALL IS COMING TO FIRST PREZ!

Join us for **Courtside Connections** — a fun, social pickleball night for all skill levels!

Thursdays starting September 11 - 6 to 8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Courtside Connections is open to youth (middle school & up) and adults, and includes a short devotional each week.

We Need Your Help! To launch this ministry, we're looking for:

- Facilitators to help organize
- Equipment donations: paddles, balls, portable net

Drop off donations at Britany Spivey's office or contact her to get involved.



Help us grow a community of fellowship, fun, and faith!

Community Caring in Action: *Help Walker Spivey Kids Start School Strong*

Local Relief Missions will be attending the Walker Spivey Elementary School Open House this August to support families in need. We are collecting school supplies for the 2025–2026 school year and want to ensure that every student starts the year with the tools they need to succeed. **We need your help!**

We're gathering the following supplies to distribute to families who may not be able to afford them. Every donation makes a difference!

Donations can be dropped off outside of the Snack Kit room (#416).

STUDENT NEEDS:

School Book Bags/Backpacks
Pencils
Pencil Pouches
Pencil Sharpeners
Erasers
24ct Crayons
Colored Pencils
Highlighters
Children's Scissors
Compositions Books
Post It Notes
Ruled Notebook Paper
Wide Ruled Notebook Paper

TEACHER WISH LIST:

Kleenex
Quart Ziploc Bags
Gallon Ziploc Bags
Disinfectant Wipes
Band Aids



THE SNACK KIT MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

As we prepare for the 2025–2026 school year, we are in need of support in providing snack kits for students of Walker Spivey Elementary School. With your help, we can ensure every student has access to the nourishment they need to succeed.

SNACK KIT ITEMS NEEDED 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR:

- Campbell's Condensed Chicken Noodle Soup 10.75 oz cans
- Chef Boyardee Beef Ravioli 15 oz. cans
- Dole Cherry Mixed Fruit Bowls, 4 oz. cups
- Kool-Aid Jammers Juice Pouches, 6 fl. oz.
- Kraft Original Macaroni and Cheese Easy Microwavable Dinner, 2.05 oz.
- Nutri-Grain Bars, 1.3 oz. individually wrapped bars
- Pop-Tarts, Frosted, 2 pastries per package
- Quaker Instant Oatmeal Pack, 1.51 oz. (any flavor)
- Snack Pack 3.25 oz. Pudding Cups
- Van Camp's Beanee Weenee 7.75 oz. cans
- Welch's Mixed Fruit Snacks, 0.8 oz. pouches
- Yoo-hoo Chocolate Drink, 6.5 oz. drink boxes
- Ziploc Gallon Storage Bags



Food donations are greatly appreciated and can be left in Eller Hall or upstairs near the Snack Kit room (#416).



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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