



Welcome to Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

WHAT DOES A CHRISTIAN
OWE THEIR COUNTRY?

JULY 5, 2026
11 a.m.

DR. MIKE GARRETT
SENIOR PASTOR

Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | July 5, 2026

Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly.

Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

Prelude

"Glory, Hallelujah"
Roger Holmes, trumpet
Alice Ann Campbell, piano

arr. Jochen Reiger

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

Call To Worship #328

"Praise God, All You Nations"

DA N'ASE

Praise God, all you nations. People of God, sing praise!

Praise God, all you nations. People of God, sing praise:

God's love is great – and endures for-ev-er.

Praise God, all you nations. People of God, sing praise! (repeat)

Prayer of Invocation

Dr. David Cagle

Hymn #331

"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" NATIONAL HYMN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, ruler of all the peoples of the earth, forgive our shortcomings as a nation and purify our hearts to see and love the truth. Give wisdom to our leaders, and steadfastness to our people. Bring us at last to that fair city of peace whose foundations are mercy, justice, and goodwill, of which you are the designer and builder; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Hear now the silent confessions of our hearts. (We pray in silence.) Amen.

- President Woodrow Wilson

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

"America the Beautiful"
Austin Taylor, soloist

MATERNA

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Brandon Hammond

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

"Majesty"
The Celebration Choir
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

arr. Jack Schrader

Offertory Response, #609

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*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

Today is Family Sunday. Please return to sit with your family+

Scripture

Genesis 1:26-27 & I Peter 2:11-17

Message

"What Does A Christian Owe Their Country?" Dr. Mike Garrett

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Communion Anthem

"Going Home"
*Largo from Dvorak's New World Symphony**
Roger Holmes, flugelhorn
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

arr. Drew R. Fennell

Hymn #354

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

BATTLE HYMN

Benediction

Benediction Response

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

BATTLE HYMN

*Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
Glory, glory hallelujah!
God's truth is marching on.*

Postlude

"God Bless America"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

Irving Berlin

*+ Children's Church will be on break from July 5 to August 2.
Children's Worship Bags with resources are available at the Sanctuary entrances.*

**Join us for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Eller Hall.
Thank you to today's hosts: Dianne MacIlwinen, Lulie Harry, and Patsy Markham**

Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers this Sunday are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our blessing of freedom and our country's Independence Day.

The Chapel flowers are given to the glory of God by the Chapel Flower Guild in honor of this great nation on it's 250th anniversary weekend.

In 1893, while living in the United States, Antonin Dvořák wrote his "Symphony No. 9" ("From the New World") as a tribute to the U.S. /North America, and its music. He employed elements of Native American music as well as African American music, which he believed were foundational to the future of music in the United States. Movement 2 of the symphony, the Largo, is his take on an African American spiritual, and is perhaps the most popular music in the entire work. Nearly twenty years later, in 1922, a student of Dvořák's, William Arms Fisher, wrote lyrics to the melody of the Largo and this since took on a life of its own. "Goin' Home" has since become associated with military funerals, and so it is here is dedicated to those who lost their lives in military service.

The budget for sanctuary flowers is very limited, and we have always relied on members of the congregation to sponsor memorials or honorariums.

We understand that times are difficult and that the cost of flowers continues to rise. If you're able, consider partnering with friends or family to honor someone special in your life—perhaps for a birthday, anniversary, in memory of loved ones, or even to mark the start of a new school year.

If sponsoring an arrangement isn't possible right now, you might consider contributing to the Flower Fund by placing an envelope in the offering plate marked "Flower Fund." Any amount is truly appreciated.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact
Debra Chestnutt at 910-818-9006 or debra@chestnutt.com.

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, July 7

- 8:30 a.m. S.A.L.T. Breakfast at JK's
- 5:30 p.m. Nominating Committee
- 5:30 p.m. Worship Committee
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 12 • Choir Summer Rehearsal
- Stewardship Meeting
- July 13 • Message Seekers
- Christian Education Meeting
- July 19 • Family Movie Night
- July 20 • Personnel Committee
- July 21 • Finance Committee Meeting
- Stated Session Meeting
- July 26 • Dr. Garrett's Retirement Event
- July 27 • David's Mighty Men
- July 28 • COAP Zoom Meeting
- July 30 • Property Committee Meeting
- Aug 3 • Mission Committee Meeting
- Aug 4 • S.A.L.T. Breakfast at JK's
- Worship Committee Meeting
- Aug 6 • Engagement Committee
- Aug 9 • Stephen Ministry Meeting
- Aug 10 • Christian Education Meeting
- Aug 11 • Stated Deacons Meeting
- Aug 12 - 16 • Summer Mission Conference
- Aug 23 • Carolina Sound Concert



This summer, while many of our regular Sunday School classes pause, we invite you to a special limited-run series: **The Chosen: Scenes & Scripture**. Each week, we'll watch a short clip from **The Chosen** and use it as a springboard for discussion, reflection, and Bible study. Instead of full episodes, we'll focus on key moments from Jesus' ministry and what they reveal about His character, His message, and our own faith.

Whether you're a longtime fan of **The Chosen** or brand-new to it, you're welcome to join us.

Sundays at 10 a.m. in Room 405

WEAR YOUR PJS & JOIN US IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM.

bring a pillow and sleeping bag

SUNDAY, JULY 19

4:30 TO 6:30PM

Pizza and popcorn will be served.

Guardians are welcome to join!

Childcare will be available for the littles.

Please RSVP.

Scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/MovieNight26



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Did you miss the Crossing Thresholds Vision Guide?

To view or download the guide,
visit firstprez.com/crossingthresholds

First Presbyterian Church joyfully invites you
to a day of worship and celebration
honoring the remarkable career
and retirement of

Dr. Mike Garrett

Together, we will give thanks for God's faithfulness,
for a lifetime of devoted service, and for the many ways
Dr. Garrett has blessed our church and community.

Sunday, July 26, 2026

11:00 a.m. — Worship Service in the Sanctuary

12:00 p.m. — Celebration Lunch in Fellowship Hall

Please RSVP on or before July 15.

Register online at bit.ly/FPCRetirement
or scan the QR Code.

Register in person in Eller Hall
or call the church office at (910) 483-0121.



We invite you to participate in the celebration by sending cards, photos,
videos, or digital messages for Dr. Garrett to nichole@firstprez.com.



Considering a monetary gift to honor Dr. Garrett's retirement?

If you're considering a monetary gift to celebrate Dr. Garrett's retirement, there are two ways to contribute. You may write a check either to First Presbyterian Church or directly to Michael W. Garrett. Here's what distinguishes the options: Gifts made out to the Church are tax-deductible for the donor but will count as taxable income for Dr. Garrett. In contrast, checks payable directly to Michael Garrett are not tax-deductible for the donor, yet are not taxable to him. All direct contributions will be gathered and presented to Dr. Garrett at the retirement luncheon, while the Church will issue a separate check to him covering all honorariums it receives on his behalf. If you have questions about the tax implications, please consult your tax advisor.

Save the date for
Summer 2026 Mission Conference!
August 12 through August 16
Let your Light Shine

And if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. Isaiah 58:10

Together We Can LAUNCH
Brighter Futures at
Walker Spivey Elementary

Local Relief Ministry is collecting school supplies for Walker Spivey Elementary School to support students and teachers as they begin the new year. If you'd like to help, please drop off donations in Eller Hall. Your generosity makes a real difference for our community. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the church office. Please note "Local Relief Ministry" on checks or envelopes.

Student Supply List:

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| ☐ Composition Notebooks | ☐ Pencils |
| ☐ Spiral Notebooks | ☐ Highlighters |
| ☐ Three Ring Pocket Folder | ☐ 24 Count Crayons |
| ☐ Plastic Pocket Folders | ☐ Expo Dry Erase Markers |
| ☐ Index Cards | ☐ Expo Dry Erase Cleaner |
| ☐ Sticky Notes | ☐ Colored Pencils |
| ☐ Ziploc Bags | ☐ Jumbo/Large Erasers |
| ☐ Gallon | ☐ Pencil Pouch (no boxes) |
| ☐ Half Gallon | ☐ Scissors |
| ☐ Quart | ☐ Glue Sticks |
| ☐ Pint | ☐ Headphones |
| ☐ Back Pack | ☐ Kleenex/Tissues |
| ☐ Reuseable Water Bottle | ☐ Clorox Wipes |
| ☐ Germ-X (Hand Sanitizing Wipes) | ☐ Pocket Folders (with & without prongs) |
| ☐ Binder 1/2 inch (with clear front cover) | ☐ Binder 1 inch (with clear front cover) |
| ☐ Notebook Paper (wide & college rule) | |

Teacher Wish List:

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| ☐ Tissues | ☐ Dry Erase Markers | ☐ Label Maker |
| ☐ Hand Sanitizer | ☐ Pre Sharpened Pencils | ☐ Multi-colored Pens |
| ☐ Paper Towels | ☐ Sticky Notes | ☐ Band Aids & Ointment |
| ☐ Clear Tape | ☐ Disinfectant Wipes | ☐ Heavy Duty Stapler & Staples |
| ☐ Glue Sticks | ☐ Stackable Paper Trays | ☐ Non-Perishable Wrapped Snacks |

A Smart
Way to Give

Shop these Amazon wish lists, and send your donation directly to the church.



Student List



Scan the above QR Code or visit bit.ly/LRMStudent for the Student Supply List.



Teacher List

Scan the above QR Code or visit bit.ly/LRMTeacher for the Teacher Wish List.



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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!

PASTORAL STAFF

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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