



Welcome to Worship

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THE WONDER
OF IT ALL

JULY 27 2025
11 a.m.

SENIOR PASTOR
DR. MIKE GARRETT

Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | July 27, 2025

Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly.

Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

Prelude

"This Is My Father's World"

arr. Philip Keveren

Martha VorderBruegge, cello

Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

Call To Worship #630

"Fairest Lord Jesus" vs 1 & 4

CRUSADERS' HYMN

*1 Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God to earth come down,
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.*

*4 Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!*

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn #41

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

LYONS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Creator God, in the face of all that life throws at us, we are reminded of how helpless we are on our own. But we are not alone. In the beginning, your spirit swept over the formless deep, turning chaos into your creation. At Pentecost, your spirit swept over our ancestors in the faith, transforming fearful folks into the body of Christ. Today, your spirit sweeps over the sinful chaos in our lives, forgiving our sins and making us new creations in Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God! Hear now the silent confessions of our hearts. (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

"Unto Thee O Lord"

Francis E. Aulbach

The Celebration Choir, Theodore Schwamm, soloist

Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Winnie Grannis

**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 "Make Me A Channel of Your Peace" arr. Mark Hayes
Vicki Hogan, soloist, Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

Doxology, #609 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" LASST UNS
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; ERFREUEN
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 - Two Cents A Meal Offering

Children are invited to Children's Church+

Scripture Hebrews 1:1-3 & "Psalm 104- Lord Send Out Your Spirit" Will Hickl

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It is written for two voices (Soprano and Alto) and piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth." The score includes a "Fine" marking at the end.

Leader: How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

All: There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number—living things both large and small.

Leader: There the ships go to and fro, and Leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

Refrain: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Leader: All creatures look to you to give them their food at the proper time. When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things.

All: When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust. When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

Refrain: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Leader: May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works—he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

All: I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Leader: May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the Lord. But may sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked be no more.

All: Praise the Lord, my soul. Praise the Lord.

Refrain: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Message

"The Wonder Of It All"

Dr. Mike Garrett

Hymn #39

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

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

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Goss, arr. Wyrzten

Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

+ 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:

Dianne MacIwinen, Bengie Hair, Ann McRae, and Patsy Markham

Today's Flowers

The Chapel and Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God by Debra Chestnutt in memory of Johnson Chestnutt on what would be his 77th birthday.

The rosebuds on the Communion Table today are placed in honor of the birth of Ophelia Rose Jones, born on July 14, 2025, daughter of Travis and Jessica Jones. and in honor of the birth of Gannon Augustus Phillips, born on July 20, 2025, son of Jon and Erin Phillips.

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

COAP (Caregivers Of Aging Persons)
meeting with guest speaker Rachel Thurnher
Tuesday, July 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Rachel is the program coordinator for the Cape Fear Valley Health system's No One Dies Alone program. This program provides end of life comfort. For more information on Rachel and the program, visit bit.ly/COAPGuest to read CityView's article. Everyone is welcome to join the Zoom meeting. Call the church office to receive the emailed link.



HAPPENING TODAY

- 9 a.m. Worship Service
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 12 p.m. Pickleball Interest Meeting

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, July 28

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 6 p.m. David's Mighty Men

Tuesday, July 29

- 6:30 p.m. COAP Meeting with guest speaker
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 4 • Engagement Committee Meeting
- Mission Committee Meeting
- Aug 5 • S.A.L.T. breakfast at JK's Deli
- Congregational Care Meeting
- Worship Committee Meeting
- C. E. Committee Meeting
- Aug 9 • Mission Activities for all ages
- Aug 10 • Mini Mission Conference speakers
- Hot Dog & Ice Cream Social
- Aug 12 • Finance Committee Meeting
- Stated Deacons Meeting
- Aug 13 • End of Summer Pool Party
- Aug 17 • Summer Choir Rehearsal
- Aug 19 • Stated Session Meeting
- Aug 24 • Rally Day
- Pancake Breakfast
- Back to School Blessing
- Children's Anniversary Rehearsal
- Aug 29 • Lowlanders Meeting
- Sep 7 • 225th Anniversary Celebration
- Historical Scavenger Hunt

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

Register for the pancake breakfast!

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

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

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



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

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



Elementary-Aged 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.

End of Summer

Bash at the Pool for Families!

Wednesday, August 13

5 to 7:30 P.M.

at Highland Country Club

Pool, splash pad & lifeguards on duty.

Don't forget your swimsuit, towels & sunscreen!



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Chicken fingers, watermelon & chips will be provided. Guardians of younger children, please plan to stay.

RSVP by August 10. Scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/PoolParty25

All families are welcome-invite your friends!





Mini Mission Conference

Saturday, August 9 & Sunday, August 10

Our theme for this Summer's Conference focuses on the question asked of John the Baptist by a crowd of followers, "What should we do?" His reply was simple, both then and now: John answered, "Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same." Luke 3:11

Saturday, August 9

9 a.m. - Hands-on Mission Activities for all ages.

These mission activities will benefit some of our Local Mission Partners!

Sunday, August 10

9 a.m. - Mission themed Worship Service in the Chapel.

10 a.m. - Presentation with Connections of Cumberland County featuring information about their new "Transitional Housing Program" for unhoused women.

11 a.m. - Mission themed Worship Service in the Sanctuary.

Following the 11 a.m. service - Hot Dog & Ice Cream Social

The social will be in Fellowship Hall and hosted by members of the Mission Committee. Representatives from some of our Local Mission Partners will be on hand to share information about how each of us might support them as they serve the less fortunate in our community.



Please RSVP for the Hot Dog & Ice Cream Social.
Scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/FPCHotDog



UPWARD
SPORTS



UPWARD SPORTS Pickleball INTEREST MEETING TODAY AFTER WORSHIP IN ROOM 405

We're excited to explore bringing Upward Sports to First Presbyterian Church! This ministry utilizes sports like Pickleball and a Couch-to-5K Running Program to engage our community, build relationships, and foster growth in faith.

Interest Meeting: Today - Sunday, July 27

Immediately after worship Room 405

In Person & Zoom bit.ly/PickleballZoom

We're looking for volunteers, coaches, leaders, and people who simply want to help launch something new and meaningful. Come hear how you can be part of this exciting opportunity!

Questions? Contact Britany Spivey: britany@firstprez.com or Jess Jones: youth@firstprez.com

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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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.

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