First Presbyterian Church of Littleton



"When one of them saw that he was healed, he went back to Jesus, praising God in a loud voice. Then he bowed at Jesus' feet and thanked him."

Luke 17:15-16 (NCV)

Sunday, November 22, 2026
Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

KIRKIN O' THE TARTANS

All are welcome in this sacred space, including the wiggles and giggles!

♦**PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT**

Please be seated, silence all devices, and ***prepare yourself for worship.***

PROCESSIONAL — Scott Beach, Bagpipes

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS & NAMING OF CLANS — Mary Dailey

PRELUDE — *A Harvest of Thanksgiving* — Chancel Choir

~~~ GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE ~~~

CALL TO WORSHIP — Jeff Colwell

Come, people of God, and remember the goodness that has carried us here.
We come with grateful hearts.
Remember those who taught us faith, those who welcomed us,
those who served before us, and those whose lives opened a path for ours.
We give thanks for the people and communities that have shaped us.
But our gratitude reaches beyond our own stories.
We give thanks for the grace of God, made known to us in Jesus Christ.
In Christ, we are rooted, built up, and established in faith.
So let us worship the One who has been faithful through every generation.
With thankful hearts, we come to worship God.

♦SHARING THE PEACE
The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

♦HYMN 367 (VS. 1 & 2) — *Come Ye Thankful People, Come* — Congregation

~~~ LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD ~~~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION — Jeff Colwell

SCRIPTURE READING: Colossians 2:2-7 (NRSVUE)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC *Song of Thanksgiving and Praise* Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we confess that we do not always live with grateful hearts. We notice what we lack more readily than we notice what we have received. We complain about what has changed while forgetting the gifts that change has brought. We hold tightly to our traditions and sometimes mistake them for the heart of faith. We celebrate our heritage but can forget that your family is larger than our own. We receive your gifts without always remembering the Giver.

Forgive us, O God. Teach us to recognize grace. Teach us to receive with humility. Teach us to remember with gratitude. Teach us to give generously because we have received so much.

Root us deeply in Christ, so that thanksgiving becomes more than something we say — let it become something we practice. Amen.

HYMN 578 *O Lord, Have Mercy* Congregation

O Lord, have mercy (x3); have mercy on us.
O Christ, have mercy (x3); have mercy on us.

SHARING GOD'S LOVE AND FORGIVENESS Jeff Colwell

…So receive God's mercy. Receive God's love.
Receive the new life offered to you in Christ.

May our lives become a response of thanksgiving.
Thanks be to God!

♦HYMN 582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* Congregation

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

♦GOSPEL READING Luke 17:11-19 (NCV) Beth Hewlett

This is the Word of the Lord. **God is still speaking.**

~~~ PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD ~~~

MESSAGE *The Thanksgiving of Faith*
Sermon Series *"Cultivate"*

HYMN 643 *Now Thank We All Our God* Congregation

~~~ RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD ~~~

OFFERING Beth Hewlett

OFFERTORY *Amazing Grace* Scott Beach, Bagpipes

♦HYMN 606 *Doxology* Congregation

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

♦PRAYER OF DEDICATION Beth Hewlett

♦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Written by the Reverend Jonathan Murray for "Cultivate"*

We believe in God, who creates us, loves us, and calls us to grow in faith. We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son, our Lord, who lived among us, showed us God's love, welcomed the stranger, served the hurting, and calls us to follow his way. We believe that Christ died and was raised, and that through him we are invited into new life. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who lives among us and within us, teaching, guiding, challenging, and transforming us as we grow in the way of Christ. We believe in the church, where faith is learned and lived — where we worship, pray, study, serve, forgive, and encourage one another to grow. We believe in forgiveness when we fall and in the promise of new life when we begin again. Therefore, we commit ourselves to cultivate a life with Christ: to abide in his love, to learn his way, to embody his teachings, and to share his love with the world. This is our faith. This is the life we cultivate together. Thanks be to God. Amen.

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

♦HYMN 657 (VS. 1 & 2) *Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness* Congregation

~~~ CARRYING GOD'S GOOD NEWS INTO GOD'S WORLD ~~~

♦BENEDICTION Beth Hewlett

POSTLUDE *Highland Cathedral* Chancel Choir, Congregation & Bagpipes

"What is your favorite way to give thanks – through words, a meal, music, prayer, serving, giving, gathering with people you love, or something else?"

Today's Service

Music	Mary Dailey, Chancel Choir, Scott Beach – Bagpiper
Liturgist	Jeff Colwell
Trustee	Rick Wilson
Ushers	Diane Caby
Flowers	Scott & Sue Chandler



Kirkin' o' the Tartan

Kirkin' o' the Tartan is a cherished Presbyterian tradition that celebrates Scottish heritage and faith. The modern observance was introduced in 1941 by Rev. Peter Marshall, a Scottish immigrant and pastor of New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C. During the service, tartans representing clans and families are presented and blessed as symbols of faith, family, and perseverance. Today, churches around the world continue this tradition, honoring the enduring connection between Scottish heritage and Christian worship.

Peacemakers Country Store

Christmas Sale

December 6, 2026

8-10am, 11-2pm





Baked Goods, Canned Jellies & Jams, Candy, Quilts, Stuffed Animals & more!

Every purchase goes to
First Presbyterian Church of Littleton
Community Assistance Program.

Attention Women!

Save The Date!

Friday, December 4th, 2:00 pm

FPCL Women's Christmas Tea!

Come One , Come All, for Food, Fun, Festivities!

Watch for more information in November!



Faith Friendship Fellowship Make the Season Brighter!

Merry S and Sue C
Co-chairs

Counting Our Blessings through...

Community
Food
Kindness
Together

Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 26, 2026

We will deliver delicious, fully prepared turkey dinners to people in our community again this year. Romano's Restaurant will order the food necessary for the delicious meal, store it at their facility and share their commercial kitchen with us. Talented chef Daniel Kurtz will be at the helm, assisted by Kathy Frear, Justie Ellis and many of YOU!



How You Can Help

Volunteer
Cook, pack meals, deliver, clean-up, etc.

Sign up in Chandler Hall or call Kathy Frear.

Donate
Help cover the cost of the meal.

- Checks should be made payable to First Presbyterian Church of Littleton.
- You may also donate on the Church's website.

Note
Please clarify **"Thanksgiving Meal"** however you choose to make a payment.

A 19 Year Tradition
BEGINNING IN 2007

This long-standing 19 Year Tradition, beginning in 2007, is only made possible by your generous donations of time and money. Please consider contributing to this much appreciated effort.

Questions?
Call the Church Office or Kathy Frear.

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DATE		SEASON	PEOPLE / PASSAGE	SERMON TITLE	SCRIPTURE
November 29, 2026		1st Advent	*Zechariah*	*When God Seems Silent*	*Luke 1:8-22, 68-80*
December 6, 2026	BELLS	2nd Advent	*Gabriel / Mary & Joseph*	*When God Interrupts*	*Luke 1:26-38; Matthew 1:18-24*
December 13, 2026		3rd Advent	*Elizabeth & Mary*	*When Hope Takes Root*	*Luke 1:39-56*
Sat, December 19, 2026	1p	Blue Christmas	*Those Who Wait in Darkness*	*When the Night Feels Long*	*Psalm 13; Isaiah 9:2; John 1:1-5*
December 20, 2026	Cantata	4th Advent	*Cantata*		
Thu, December 24, 2026	1p; 4p; 7p	Christmas Eve	*Angels & Shepherds*	*When the Light Comes*	*Luke 2:1-20*
December 27, 2026		1st Christmas	*Simeon & Anna*	*When We Finally See*	*Luke 2:22-40*
January 3, 2027	Russ Kane	2nd Christmas / Epiphany	*Wisemen*	*When We Follow The Light*	*Matthew 2:1-12*

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ALL ARE WELCOME.
COME • BELONG • SERVE • BE TRANSFORMED

Mission Statement:

We Welcome All to Love, Share, Serve and Grow in Christ.

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