

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP

11:00 a.m. August 18, 2024

Welcome and Opportunities of the Church

Striking of the Hour

Prelude: *Be Thou My Vision*.....Wood

Call to Worship..... Psalm 148:1-2, 13-14

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the LORD!

* Hymn of Praise: *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*.....HB No. 1

* Prayer of Adoration, Confession, and 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.

* Assurance of Pardon.....2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

* Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Anthem: *For He Is Our Peace*.....Stopford

Moment for Missions

** Children's Message.....Jon Oliphant

* First Reading 2 Corinthians 9:8-14

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory: *Brother James's Air* arr. Wood

* Doxology.....HB No. 544

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn: *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*.....HB No. 304

* Sermon Text.....1 Timothy 5:17-25

Sermon.....*Do's and Don'ts of Church Leadership*

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Petition

* Hymn of Dedication: *The Church's One Foundation*.....HB No. 437

* Benediction

* Gloria Patri.....HB No. 546

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.

Postlude: *Creation*.....Haydn

** Those who are able, please stand.*

***Children 4k— 2nd grade are dismissed to Children's Church.*

Inspired by the love of Christ, and enabled by the Holy Spirit, we serve God through worship, education and fellowship that we may proclaim His grace and share His love in the world.

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship here today.

Visitors are invited view our website www.firstarp.org for more information.

****If you would like to receive the regular church-wide communications via email and/or mail, please contact the church office with your information.****

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, August 18

8:30 a.m.Prayer Time, parlor

9:00 a.m.Worship Service

10:00 a.m.Sunday School

11:00 a.m.Worship Service

2:00 p.m.GriefShare

3:30 p.m.Teacher Training

5:00 p.m.Youth Group

WEDNESDAY, August 21

9:00 a.m.First Day of First ARP Preschool

THURSDAY, August 22

6:30 p.m.Just Joy

SUNDAY, August 25

8:30 a.m.Prayer Time, parlor

9:00 a.m.Worship Service

10:00 a.m.Sunday School

11:00 a.m.Worship Service

2:00 p.m.GriefShare

5:00 p.m.Youth Group

Today, we have Kim Trainer and Susie Boyle from Fostering the Family to share for our Moment for Missions.

Usher Captains..... Shellie Sloop & John Sloop

Counters for today.....Kay McKinney & Howard Kellett

Greeting Cole McKinney & Steve Southwell

Worship Assistance..... George Coxhead

Safety Scott Ledford

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Nanette & Bill Altman.

First Reading // 2 Corinthians 9:8-14

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. ⁹ As it is written,

“He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.”

¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. ¹² For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. ¹³ By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, ¹⁴ while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you.

Sermon Text // 1 Timothy 5:17-25

Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching. ¹⁸ For the Scripture says, “You shall not muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain,” and, “The laborer deserves his wages.” ¹⁹ Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses. ²⁰ As for those who persist in sin, rebuke them in the presence of all, so that the rest may stand in fear. ²¹ In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of the elect angels I charge you to keep these rules without prejudging, doing nothing from partiality. ²² Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, nor take part in the sins of others; keep yourself pure. ²³ (No longer drink only water, but use a little wine for the sake of your stomach and your frequent ailments.) ²⁴ The sins of some people are conspicuous, going before them to judgment, but the sins of others appear later. ²⁵ So also good works are conspicuous, and even those that are not cannot remain hidden.

General Fund 2024	June 2024	Jan-Dec 2024
Receipts	\$78,614	\$482,056
Expenses	\$68,658	\$509,791
Surplus (Deficit)	\$9,955	(\$27,735)
Budgeted Monthly	\$87,798	—

Looking Ahead

- **Teacher Training** today at 3:30 pm, volunteers in children’s ministry will review things from previous years and guidelines for the coming year. Let Connie know if you can attend and if you need childcare.
- **Congregational Meeting** Sunday, August 25 at 10 am, the Session has called a congregational meeting for the church to be informed about the Vision Team’s work.
- **WM Fall Kickoff** Sunday, August 25 at 3 pm, all ladies are invited to bring your favorite tailgate food to share.
- **Elder & Deacon Nominations** A mailout was recently sent for members to nominate candidates for elders & deacons for this year’s elections. Please fill out and return the form to the church office by August 28th.
- **Foundations for the Faith** resumes September 4; dinner at 5:30, discipleship for all ages at 6:15, adult choir practice at 7:15.
- **Inquirer’s Class** begins September 8 for anyone interested in learning more about our beliefs, history, denomination, and being Presbyterian.
- **Church-wide Fall Retreat** registration is open! This year’s dates are October 18-20th. Sign up with Nora Madsen or call the church office. \$50 deposit required to hold your spot.

FOR MORE DETAILS on these events and many others:

- Check out our *Newsletter* or *Weekly Update*
 - Call or email the church office: 803-327-2009 or lross@firstarp.org

Anthem

For He Is Our Peace

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Ephesians 3:14-19; 2:14a
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For this cause I bow my knee unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 Of whom the whole family in heav’n and earth is named.
 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory,
 To be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man.

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith;
 That ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
 May be able to comprehend with all saints,
 What is the breadth and length and depth and height;
 And to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge,
 That ye might be filled with the fullness of God.
 For he is our peace, who hath made both one.