

THE CHURCH IN WORSHIP

9:00 a.m. September 27, 2026

Welcome and Opportunities of the Church

Prelude

Call to Worship.....Psalm 103:1-5

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

* Hymns for Worship and Praise:

The Power of the Cross.....No. 106

Were You There.....No. 90

* Prayer of Adoration, Confession, and Lord's Prayer (using debts/debtors)

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.....Psalm 103:8-12

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

* Confession of Faith: Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A #27

Q 27. Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

A 27. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

Offertory

* 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.

* Prayer of Dedication

Moment for Missions

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

* Sermon Text.....Philippians 2:5-11

Sermon.....*Christ's Humiliation*

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Petition

* Hymn of Dedication: *Jesus Cast A Look*.....No. 33

* Benediction

* Congregational Response

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

Postlude

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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

Sharing the lasting hope of Jesus Christ.

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, September 27

8:30 a.m..... Prayer Meeting, parlor

9:00 a.m..... Worship Service

10:00 a.m..... Sunday School

10:45 a.m..... Called Session Meeting

11:00 a.m..... Worship Service

MONDAY, September 28

5:30 p.m..... Women's Ministries Board Meeting

8:30 p.m..... Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY, September 29

10:00 a.m..... Women's Ministries Bible Study

5:00 p.m..... Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m..... Usher Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, September 30

5:30 p.m..... Foundations for the Faith

7:15 p.m..... Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 1

8:30 a.m..... First Thursday Prayer Team

10:00 a.m..... Deborah Circle

7:00 p.m..... Esther Circle

SUNDAY, October 4

8:30 a.m..... Prayer Meeting, parlor

9:00 a.m..... Worship Service; Communion

10:00 a.m..... Sunday School

11:00 a.m..... Worship Service; Communion

4:00 p.m..... Worship Celebration for Patrick's 40th

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Bo, Zeke, and Ruthie for their birthdays.

Sermon Text // Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

For further study on today's sermon text:

1 Peter 2:19-25

A group of high school students are attending the Fall Retreat at Bonclarken this weekend. Please pray for safe return travels and that God would use what they learned this weekend. The group attending is: Davis Capel, Shaw Catoe, Pressly Dozier, Lydia Ghent, Miriam Ghent, Shane Graham, Jake McCallister, Sadie Montana, Brady Nowicki, Katherine Sandu and Nick Walker with Elijah Hoyer, Taylor Madsen, and Jenny Nowicki chaperoning.

Home/Family Worship Weekly Reading Plan: Week 1

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Daniel 7:13-14 Luke 21:25-28	Genesis 3:15 Galatians 4:4-5	Psalms 110 Acts 2:34-36	Isaiah 49:6 Acts 13:47-48	Read Sunday Sermon text Philippians 2:5-11

Looking Ahead

- **Inquirers Class** 2 more weeks during Sunday School for anyone interested in joining or recently joined the church, learning more about the denomination, our history, and what we believe.
- **New Men's Bible Study** Mondays at 8:30 pm in the Faith Room.
- **Preschool Supply Drive** Help us stock the preschool with items to keep our toys and teaching tools up-to-date! September 13-27, checkout the Connector for donation requests or go straight to our Amazon wish list!
- **World Witness Fellowship Dinner** Thursday, October 1 at Ebenezer ARP. See the Weekly Email for more details and RSVP link.
- **40th Celebration Service for Patrick Robinson** October 4 at 4 pm, join us to celebrate Patrick's 40 years of service!
- **Congregational Meeting** Sunday, October 11 following both services to elect nominated candidates for the offices of Elder & Deacon.

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

Ashley Kincheloe from Palmetto Women's Center joins us this morning for our Moment for Missions.

Following a called Session meeting this morning, the following folks will be received into membership: Mike & Peggy Bruce. Be sure to welcome them to the First ARP family!

Usher Captain Ginger Smith
Counters Zach Huskins & Alex Wilson
Greeting Jamey Dagenhart
Worship Assistance Jon Oliphant
Safety Zach Huskins & Tim Templeton

General Fund 2026	August 2026	Jan-Dec 2026
Receipts	\$107,647	\$840,374
Expenses	\$101,466	\$760,992
Surplus (Deficit)	\$6,181	\$79,382
Budgeted Monthly	\$105,489	—