

**May 5, 2024**  
**First Presbyterian Church**  
**Youth & Confirmation Sunday**

**We Gather in God's Name**

**Chiming of the Trinity**

**Prelude** *Morning Bells* based on WACHET AUF Phillip Nicolai  
(1556-1608) arr. E. MacGorman  
Fun Program Chimers

**Processional/Skit** *Shoulders* King & Country  
Youth

**Welcome** Eva Goddard & the Youth Express

**We Worship Together**

**\*Call to Worship** Duward Angle

We are surrounded by diversity.

**We all come from different backgrounds.**

We are here together to listen to God's Word.

**We live together and are bound by God's love.**

The Lord calls us to worship in unity.

**In our worship, let us become one.**

**\*Hymn** *157 I Danced in the Morning* LORD OF THE DANCE

**Invitation to Confession (the congregation is seated)** Duward Angle  
The psalmist writes that the sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, and a contrite heart is something God will never despise. Bring your broken hearts and contrite spirits to our loving God:

**Prayer of Confession** Charlie Phillips

**Have mercy on me, O God, for I am a sinner. You know my transgressions. You know my weaknesses. You know my faults and failures. You know my mistakes. You know me, God, and yet you love me still. Remove my sin from me, I am guilty. Create in me a clean heart, ready to love you and love my neighbor. Make my slate clean. Forgive me and love me; restore to me the joy of your salvation.**

**Assurance of Pardon** Charlie Phillips  
The knowledge that you forgive us is our joy! We open our lips and declare your praise for you have delivered us from our sin and made us new! Alleluia! Amen!

**Sharing the Peace of Christ** Charlie Phillips

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us now greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

**\*Holy Interruption** *We greet our neighbors in Christ's love*

**\*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.**

**Children's Message** Blair Driggers, Cloie Tillman, Grace Tillman,  
Bayley Hydrick, & Penelope Angle

**We Receive God's Word**

**Prayer for Illumination** Jackson Tucker

**Old Testament Reading** Genesis 11:1-9 Kaiden Miller  
This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God!**

**New Testament Reading** Acts 2:1-21 Bayley Hydrick  
This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God!**

**Message** "A Passionate Faith" Eva Goddard

**Affirmation of Faith** *(based on Psalm 23)* Kane Driggers  
**The Lord is our shepherd, we have everything we need from our God. God gives us rest in the green meadows and beside the cool waters; You, O God, restore our souls. We are lead down right paths that bring honor to your name. Even when we walk through dark and difficult valleys we will not fear; For our God is with us, protecting, comforting, guarding, and guiding every step we take. You prepare a table before us in the presence of our enemies; You lavish us with blessings to the point of overflowing. We know with confidence that your goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives, And our eternity shall be in the house of the LORD forever and ever. Amen.**

**Announcements** Mason Leviner, Durham Preston, Sam Phillips,  
Kane Driggers

**Pastoral Prayers & Lord's Prayer** Penelope Angle

**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.**

**Invitation to the Offering** Penelope Angle

**Offertory Anthem** *Celebrate This Glorious Day!* Miller

Fun Program & Youth Bells

*Celebrate this glorious Day! Sing, rejoice with gladness! To our King, our voices we raise, Allelu, Alleluia! Sing, rejoice! Celebrate this day! Sing, rejoice all ye earth! Share the news of Christ, the King, bring honor to His name! Celebrate this glorious day! Sing, rejoice with gladness! To our King, our voices we raise, Allelu, alleluia!*

**\*Doxology Hymn** *All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night* TALLIS' CANON  
**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.**

**Prayer of Dedication** Penelope Angle  
**Holy God, in Christ you have chosen us to be your friends and to know your will in the world. Therefore we pray in Jesus' name that these tithes and offerings spread your love near and far. Amen.**

**Baptism and Profession of Faith**

**Presentation**

**Profession of Faith**

**The Baptism**

**Laying On of Hands and Anointing**

**Welcome**

**We Go Out to Serve**

**\*Hymn** *69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky* HERE I AM

**\*Benediction** Eva Goddard

**\*Benediction Response** *Blessing* Bart  
*May the road rise up to meet you; may the wind be always at your back, may the sun shine warm upon your face and the rains fall soft upon your fields. Until we meet again, my friend, until we meet again. May God hold you in the palm of His hand. (repeat)*  
Fun Program

**\*Postlude** *Fairest Lord Jesus* from "Schleische Volkslieder" arr. C. Maggs  
Fun Program Ringers

**Please wait until the end of the benediction response by the choir before exiting.**

\*Those who are able, please stand as directed at the items marked with an asterisk

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today in loving memory of Chris Hydrick by Meredith Creech.

**The Church This Week (5/5/2024)**

|       |            |                               |
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| Today | 10:00 a.m. | Sunday School                 |
|       | 11:00 a.m. | Worship                       |
|       | 6:00 p.m.  | Youth                         |
| Mon.  | 8:30 a.m.  | MMO                           |
| Tues. | 12:00 p.m. | At Ease                       |
|       | 6:00 p.m.  | Women's Community Bible Study |
| Wed.  | 8:30 a.m.  | MMO                           |
|       | 9:00 a.m.  | Women's Community Bible Study |
|       | 3:15 p.m.  | Fun Program                   |
| Sun.  | 10:00 a.m. | Sunday School                 |
|       | 11:00 a.m. | Worship                       |

**Prayer List as of May 5, 2024**

Gerry & Bobby Rogers  
 Ina Coggeshall  
 Gray & Bea Sloop  
 Bennie and Benny Lou Moore  
 Bobbie Jones  
 Dr. Sue Arledge and her husband, Bob  
 Shenell Malloy (Susan & Bill's daughter-in-law)  
 Edward Tinsley  
 Barbara Dickson  
 For those suffering from chronic mental and emotional illnesses  
 Ruth Jackson



The church has several volunteer opportunities available, including placing flowers in the sanctuary, providing nursery coverage during Sunday worship, and monitoring students and Pathfinders. If interested, please go to <https://www.cherawfpc.org/signup> and click the appropriate link. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Chapman.

The sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop. For individuals with hearing aids, please activate your T-coil to utilize this feature. Spare headsets are also available.

Exciting news! Registration is now available online for Vacation Bible School! Check out the home page of our church website to register. Also, if you would like to help, there is a sign-up poster on the wall next to my office door. Please consider registering, signing up to help, or both! Due to limited seating, we are accepting the first 150 registrants!

<https://www.cherawfpc.org/>

What: Vacation Bible School

When: June 18-20

Time: 5-8 p.m.

Dinner included! Join me in diving deeper into a relationship with God!

At Ease will meet at 12:00 noon, Tuesday, May 7, at First Presbyterian Fellowship Building.

Hand and Foot cards will start promptly at 9:30 a.m.

Please let Beth Witherspoon know if you plan to attend.

The congratulations of the congregation is extended to David & Kim Brabham upon the birth of their granddaughter, Charlotte Joan Brabham. She is the daughter of David and Hannah and sister to Clark. She was born on Monday, April 29, 2024.



*Our Vision*

*Rooted by God's Grace,  
 Growing in the Spirit,  
 Reaching Out with Christ's Love*

**Session of First Presbyterian Church**

Class of 2024

Marietta Melton Burch  
 Cathy Chapman  
 Dan Tillman, III  
 Charlene Tillman

Class of 2025

Kelli Beck  
 Avery Dickson  
 Mary Jane Evans  
 Jean Page Watson

Class of 2026

Mary Anderson  
 Andrew McLeod  
 Kristen Miller  
 Richard Pierce

The Church Staff

Rev. Maxwell Michaels, Pastor  
 Mrs. Carolyn S. West, Secretary  
 Mr. James W. Kendall, Sexton  
 Mrs. Arnetha Kendall, Housekeeper  
 Mrs. Mary Gullledge, Miss Eve Nobles, Nursery

Mrs. Mary Louise Baker, Music Director, DCE

Mrs. Kim Brabham, Director MMO  
 Mrs. Sally Powell, MMO

Mission Partners

Mr. Mark Hare/ Mrs. Jenny Bent, Costa Rica  
 Mrs. Ellen Smith, (mission co-worker) Belarus, Russia, Ukraine, Poland

**Sunday, May 5, 2024**

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