

November 10, 2024
First Presbyterian Church
25th Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather in God's Name

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude *America, the Beautiful* Thygerson

Welcome Rev. Maxwell Michaels

We Worship Together

***Call to Worship** Duward Angle

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

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

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and

who execute justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets prisoners free and lifts up those who are bowed down.

The Lord watches over the stranger and upholds the orphan and the widow.

The Lord will reign forever.

Praise the Lord!

***Hymn 41** *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above* (vs. 1-4) LYONS

Invitation to Confession (the congregation is seated)

(Nehemiah 9:17)

God is ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Let us turn to God in honesty and humility, ready to confess our sins.

Prayer of Confession

Dear God, you have us your only son, yet we fail to give you our best. You answer our prayers, even though we pray with a haughty spirit. You continue to bless us, even as we ignore those in need. Forgive us, we pray, and turn us toward you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *(Psalm 34:22)*

“The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.” Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

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.

Choral Anthem *Firm Foundation* Carnes

(Chancel & Youth Choirs; Cloie Tillman, soloist; Jackson Tucker, drums; Lainey Baker & Dan Tillman, guitar; Sam Phillips, Kaiden Miller & Jessie Baker, percussion)

Children's Message

We Receive God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading 1 Kings 17:8-16

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading Mark 12:38-44

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Message “Love Will Turn You Around” Rev. Maxwell Michaels

Affirmation of Faith

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells. We believe that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world. Amen."

***Hymn 192** *Shine, Jesus, Shine* SHINE

Announcements

Pastoral Prayers & 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.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *The Lord's My Shepherd* Hustad

***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH
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

Holy God, these offerings are only a portion of all that you have given us. We gratefully present these gifts and entrust them to your work in this world. May our gifts share the Good News of the gospel to those who are in need. May these gifts help unburden those with the heaviest of loads. Amen.

We Go Out to Serve

***Hymn 37** *Let All Things Now Living* ASH GROVE

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** *Sing to the Lord of Harvest* Monsell

***Postlude** *The Church's One Foundation* Hustad

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

Acolytes for today: Hank Parker and Taedyn DeFord

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God by Ben and Brittany Tillman.

Reverend Max Michaels and his wife Jenny will celebrate their one year anniversary at FPC on Wednesday, November 13th. It's been a wonderful year and we're looking forward to many more.

The Church This Week (11/10/2024)

Today	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
Tues.	6:00 p.m.	CBS
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
	9:00 a.m.	CBS
	3:15 p.m.	Fun Program
	5:30 p.m.	Prayer Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thurs.	6:30 p.m.	Mission Outreach
Sun.	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

Nursery for November -December

If you are unable to help on the day assigned, please switch with someone.

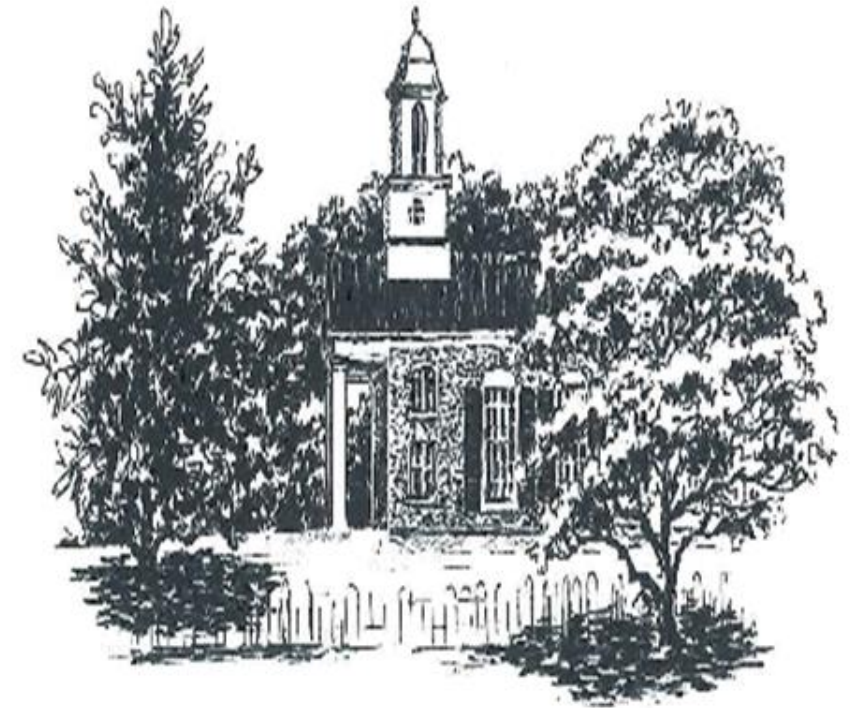
Thank you for your help in this.

November 10 Allison Chapman and Brittany Tillman

November 17 Laura Folger and Jessie and Lainey Baker

PW will be decorating the church for Christmas on November 22nd at 10:00am. Please plan to come and join in the fellowship.

Christmas Shoe Boxes are due November 24th no later than noon.



Prayer List as of November 10, 2024

Gerry Rogers
 Ina Coggeshall
 Gray & Bea Sloop
 Bennie and Benny Lou Moore
 Bobbie Jones
 For those suffering from chronic mental and emotional illnesses
 Ruth Jackson
 B.J. Moore
 Marion Murphy
 Edward Tinsley
 Friends and families affected by Hurricane Helene

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.

If you would like to place flowers or a plant in the sanctuary for worship service, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. You can also call or email Cathy Chapman and she can sign you up for a date.

It's time to order Christmas Poinsettias! Order forms on the table in the Narthex. Deadline to order is Sunday, November 17, 2024. If you give on-line please call the church office with details.

The Session has called a congregational meeting to convene during the morning worship service for the purpose of electing four (4) Elders to the class of 2027. The Session will place in nomination Christie McLeod, Harold Watson, Tracie Phillips and Mike Chapman.
 The congregation will have an opportunity to place additional names from the floor providing those persons have been notified and are willing to serve if elected. Please notify the Clerk of Session or the Moderator if there are any questions in this matter.

Session of First Presbyterian Church

<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Marietta Melton Burch	Kelli Beck	Mary Anderson
Cathy Chapman	Avery Dickson	Andrew McLeod
Dan Tillman, III	Mary Jane Evans	Kristen Miller
Charlene Tillman	Jean Page Watson	Richard Pierce

The Church Staff

Rev. Maxwell Michaels, Pastor	Mrs. Mary Louise Baker, Music Director, DCE
Mrs. Carolyn S. West, Secretary	
Mr. James W. Kendall, Sexton	Mrs. Kim Brabham, Director MMO
Mrs. Arnetha Kendall, Housekeeper	Mrs. Sally Powell, MMO
Miss Eve Nobles, Nursery	Mrs. Gini Eddins, MMO

Mission Partners

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

Our Vision

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

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