

June 14, 2026
First Presbyterian Church
Third Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather in God's Name

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude *Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist*, BuxWv 209 Deitrich Buxtehude
(Now We Pray)
Jackson Alexander, organ

Welcome Rev. Maxwell Michaels

We Worship Together

***Call to Worship** *(based on Psalm 116)* Charlene Tillman
The Lord hears us when we cry out.
Praise the Lord!
The Lord showers us with blessings.
Praise the Lord!
Let us lift up the name of Lord for all to hear!
Praise the Lord!
Let us sing of God's endless grace and compassion!
Let us worship God!

***Hymn** 33 *Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show* LLANFAIR

Invitation to Confession

We come before God who loves us with a love that surpasses understanding. Even when we struggle to forgive ourselves, God reaches out to us with grace and peace. There isn't anything that could take that love away. So we come to God to name where we have failed, trusting in God's amazing grace. Friends, let us confess our sin together.

Prayer of Confession *(based on Romans 5)*
Loving God, we come with heavy hearts. We have not lived as you have called us to live. We give up too easily. We ignore our neighbor's cries for help and are silent in the face of injustice. We lose hope. We fail to see your blessings among us and are blind to the glimpses of the kingdom all around us. We are weak. Have mercy upon us. Shower us with your grace that we might be enlivened for service and for love. Lord, hear our prayer... Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, God loves you. God wants to be in relationship with you. God allows nothing to come between you and God. Believe this and know that you are forgiven and freed to love and serve. **Alleluia. 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

***Gloria Patri**

Children's Message

We Receive God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Psalm 100
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading Matthew 9:35—10:8 (9-23)
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Sermon “*Send Me On My Way*” Rev. Maxwell Michaels

Affirmation of Faith (*Question 21 of the Heidelberg Catechism*)
Q. What is true faith?

A. True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace granted solely by Christ's merit. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***Hymn 175** *Seek Ye First* LAFERTY

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 *Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele* Johannes Brahms
(Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness)
Jackson Alexander, organ

***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

Generous God, how can we thank you for all that you have given us? We give back but a tiny portion in hopes that it may bless the world as you have blessed us. In the name of Jesus, our brother and our Lord, Amen.

We Go Out to Serve

***Hymn 724** *O Jesus I Have Promised* ANGEL'S STORY

***Benediction**

Benediction Response *Go, My Children, With My Blessing*
(Chancel Choir) AR HYD Y NOS

***Postlude** *Praeludium in C Major*, BuxWV 137 Dieterich Buxtehude
Jackson Alexander, organ

***Please wait until the end of the Benediction Response before exiting.**

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

Acolytes

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God in memory of Glenn (Bud) Anderson Jr. by his loving family.

The Church This Week (6/14/2026)

Today 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 12:00 p.m. Congregational Meeting
Mon. Church office closed
Tues. 6:00 p.m. CW Bible Study
Wed. 9:00 a.m. CW Bible Study
Sun. 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship

Prayer List as of June 14, 2026

Gerry Rogers
Benny Moore
For those suffering from chronic mental and emotional illnesses
B.J. Moore
Louise Carpenter
Shirley Brock
Edward Tinsley
Ruth Jackson
Nadia Harris
Lesley Jean Watson
Pam Cook (Alison Chapman's mother)
Wyatt Smith
Summer Cathey
Lynn Smith
Harold Watson
Susan Malloy
Mary Gulledge
Kathy Bradshaw
Jessie Baker

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 outside of the church office. You can also call, or email Cathy Chapman and she can sign you up for a date.

Congregational Meeting Today!

Immediately following worship, we will have a Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary to vote on the proposed changes to the terms of call as approved by the Session.

Ice Cream Social – Sunday, July 19 at the New Shelter at 4:00 pm

If you have a favorite home-made ice cream you would like to bring and share it with everyone, please bring it! We will also have ice cream and all the fixing, too. So come join the fun!

Join Us Sunday, July 26th!

Join us for a special afternoon of music as we celebrate the talents of Jackson & Watson in a combined organ and piano recital. Their dedication, hard work, and love of music have blessed our church family, and we invite the congregation to come and support them as they share their gifts in praise to God. We hope you will attend this joyful occasion of music and celebration on **Sunday, July 26th at 3pm** in the sanctuary with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Building.

Nursery Volunteer Schedule for June

June 14	Lainey Baker
June 21	Maggie Barton
June 28	Heather Tucker

Session of First Presbyterian Church

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Mary Anderson	Mike Chapman	John Folger
Andrew McLeod	Christie McLeod	Cam Beck
Kristen Miller	Tracie Phillips	Tammy Joyce
Richard Pierce	Harold Watson	Steve Cook

Board of Decans of First Presbyterian Church

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Marion Anderson	Buddy Brooks	Karen Tillman
Becky Childers		Debra Luke
Bron Long		

The Church Staff

Rev. Maxwell Michaels, Pastor	Mrs. Mary Louise Baker, Music Director, DCE
Mrs. Danielle Self, Office Administrator	
Mr. James W. Kendall, Sexton	Mrs. Gini Eddins, Director MMO
Mrs. Arnetha Kendall, Housekeeper	
Miss Eve Nobles, Nursery	



Our Vision

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

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