



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Our help is from God, who made heaven and earth. Come to worship the One who answers our prayers.

People: *If God were not on our side, we could not live. If God were not for us, we would be swept away.*

Leader: God has gifted each one of us in unique ways. In our variety, we complement each other.

People: *We rejoice in God's love and faithfulness. Blessed be our God, whose word is true.*

Leader: In thankfulness, we bring our joyous songs. We are here to pay attention to God's instructions.

People: *We are here, seeking to discern God's will. We are open to God's transforming Spirit.*

All: *Let us worship God!*

***HYMN**

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

No. 267

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power over us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone; a new life has begun. Friends, believe the good news...

People: *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.*

GLORIA PATRI

No. 581

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

(Please share a sign of peace with others.)

ANTHEM

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 124
Matthew 16:13-20

SERMON

"Who Do You Say I Am?"

Rev. John Pruitt

***HYMN**

"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

No. 265

***AFFIRMATION 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN**

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

No. 263

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (Aug 27)

Greeters: Marcia Newton, Bernie Krecklow
Ushers: Faye Hodges, Pricilla Henderson
Lay Reader: Lorna Foster

Serving Next Sunday (Sep 3)

Greeters: Kae Mattingly, Rusty Sudderth
Ushers: Norman & Lynda Self
Lay Reader: Kerry Kerr

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GOOD MORNING! We welcome each of you to this service of worship and we are glad you are here. We invite you to fill out the Welcome card found in the pew rack and place the card in the offering plate, so we can welcome you further and start to get to know you better.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Today (8/27)	9:30a 10:30a	Sunday School Worship Service
Mon (8/28)	9:00a 6:30p	Bulletin Information Due Sweet Adelines
Tue (8/29)	1:00p 5:00p	Decorative Painting Ministry Weight Watchers
Wed (8/30)	9:00a 9:30a 7:30p	Wt. Watchers Men's Bible Study Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thu (8/31)	5:30p	The Next 56 Days
Fri (9/1)		No Scheduled Church Activities
Sat (9/2)	8:30a	Women's Bible Study
Sun (9/3)	9:30a 10:30a	Sunday School Worship Service

Rent-A-Youth: Don't Forget! If you need any yard work done, household repairs, odds & ends work, please contact Amy Evans and **rent our youth to do the work!**

Financial Update can be found on the bulletin board.



Please fill out prayer request cards.
This will ensure that your request is added to the prayer list and that names are spelled correctly.
Thank you for your assistance!



First Presbyterian Church

Rev. John Pruitt, Pastor

Amy Evans, Christian Education Director
Jane Johnson, Secretary

Nancy Bolen, Choir Director
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