

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES		
Today (10/25)	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service
Monday (10/26)	9:00a	Bulletin Information Due
		Website Information Due
	6:30p	Triad A Capella Connection
Wednesday (10/28)	9:00a	WW Meeting
	7:00p	Choir Rehearsal
Friday (10/30)	Church Offices Closed	
Sunday (11/01)	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service

Pennies for Hunger: Don't forget to drop your pennies in the "Hunger" pail located in the Narthex.

Dollars for Missions: All loose dollar bills placed in the collection plates will be earmarked for mission work—divided between FPC Mission Team and a Salem Presbytery mission.



Shoppers for Holiday Market Families: If you are interested in Christmas shopping for an adopted family, please register on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board. When you register, please indicate what size family you are willing to shop for. Deadline for registering is 12 noon on November 15, 2026. Thank you for your help.

Financial Update can be found on the bulletin board.



Daylight Savings Ends: Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed Saturday, October 31, 2026! Daylight Savings ends at 2:00 a.m. Sunday morning on November 1, 2026.

Pancake Breakfast (Veterans Eat Free)



Saturday, November 14, 2026
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Helpers for Veterans Day Pancake Breakfast: On November 14, we will be honoring our Veterans by providing a Pancake Breakfast. **Volunteers for the kitchen duties, servers and cashiers are needed.** Please register on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board by noon on November 8, 2026.



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October 25, 2026—Reformation Sunday

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Gather together to hear stories of faith and courage. Listen for the ways God has acted among us.

All: Our ancestors in the faith listened for God's word. They dared to believe God's promises.

One: Leaders like Moses and Paul saw evidence of God's work. They believed they were face to face with God's truth.

All: They looked beyond the present moment. They lived for dreams not yet realized.

One: Many felt God's love in knowing Jesus. They experienced a new relationship with neighbors.

All: We have come seeking community centered in Christ. We want to feel God's presence as we worship. Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 275

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

EIN' FESTE BURG

*Those who are able, please stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we have missed your signs and wonders because we are so busy creating our own. Those around us who pretend to be your prophets offer little to which we aspire. Yet, we would pray with the psalmist, “Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so we may rejoice and be glad all our days.” Where is the meaning we have missed in all our striving? Does Jesus hold the key when he says, “Love your God with all your being,” and “Love your neighbor as yourself?” O God, we long to make sense out of life.

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

Amen.

RESPONSE

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God is even now nudging us gently, caring for us amid our confusion and inner turmoil. The favor of God is upon us, entrusting us with the gospel for our own lives and for the world. Friends, believe the good news...

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

*RESPONSE

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.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

All: *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.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Matthew 22:34-46

SERMON

“The Greatest Commandment”

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

***HYMN NO. 729**

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

***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

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

***HYMN NO. 624**

“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

TOULON

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.

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