



Grace for All

First Presbyterian Church
October 5, 2025

Welcome

to First Presbyterian Church of
Huntsville, Alabama

*We are a congregation of the
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*

Notes About Our Worship Bulletin:

- An asterisk denotes standing--in body or Spirit.
- Bold text means the congregation is invited to recite the text together.
- Children of all ages are a welcome blessing in worship! They are an important part of our church community and we would love for them to stay for the whole service. Wiggles and giggles will not bother us; tears and fears remind us we're human. Ushers can provide you with worship notebooks to engage your children during worship.
- Nursery care is available anytime between 8:15 am and 12:00 pm for infants and toddlers in Rooms 105 and 106 as needed.
- All children are invited to come forward during *This Little Light of Mine* for a message and prayer.
- Children are welcome (but never required!) to go to Room 205 for Children's Church after the Time for Young Disciples. Parents may escort them, or Children's Ministry Assistants are available to walk with them.
- Members, having children worship is a gift and a sign of health and vitality for our church. Please welcome children and offer parents a smile of encouragement.

Want more information about the church?
Speak with an usher in the narthex, or visit our website at fpchsv.org,
or listen to sermons later in the week, at:



FOR APPLE



FOR ANDROID

WELCOME
World Communion Sunday
October 5, 2025
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE *Trumpet Tune (Psalm 81:3)* D. Wagner

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign in on the pew pads found at the end of each row and share those with your neighbor. We thank God for your presence this day!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O Lord, our Lord, how wonderful is your name throughout all the earth!

People: We praise you for sending your Son to love people in every place and nation.

Leader: We thank you for giving your Spirit to people in all circumstances.

People: We praise you for holding the whole world in your hands.

Leader: Let us worship God.

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 263 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* CORONATION

Moment for Mission Kairos Allen Pepper

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, we confess that sometimes this past week we judged other people instead of loving them. We focused on our opinions or failed to respect different points of view. We missed opportunities to speak words of compassion and hope. Please forgive our sin and renew us with your Spirit. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

(Let us now continue our confession in silence.)

**WORSHIP
LEADERSHIP:**

Dr. Karl Kling,
Transitional Pastor

Dr. Patricia Hacker,
Director of Music

Dr. Lois K. Lee,
Pianist/Organist

Ushers:

8:30 am -
Bo Lundy

11:00 am -
Patty Frierson,
Marian Bevel,
Vicky & Dave Goodwin

Communion

Preparer:

David Young

Communion Servers:

8:30 am -
David Young

11:00 -
Diane Berry, Leigh
Brown, David Young,
Bruce Williams, Janis
Williams, Serena Neely

Lay Liturgist:

8:30 am -
Katie Buckner

11:00 am -
Al Steenwyk

Video and Sound:

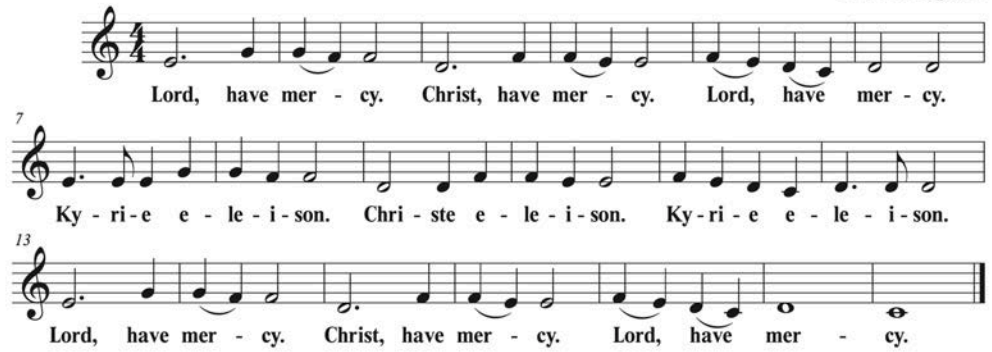
Tom Stroud
Dave Young
Maxwell R. Carter

**Those who are
able, please stand*

KYRIE

Lord Have Mercy

Hal H. Hopson



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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, God promises that people from every nation, tribe and language, will stand before God's throne and sing praise to the Lamb of God. He takes away the sin of all people who confess their need of forgiveness. Receive the good news: In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN 581

Glory Be To The Father

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.*

*THE PASSING OF PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

(Take a moment to greet one another in the peace of Christ
and extend a special welcome those who are new to our church community.)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Following the Time for Young Disciples, children are invited to join Kathy Gillmore in Room 205 for Children's Church. Infant and toddler care is available in rooms 105 and 106 as needed.

Having been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ, the people are invited to share signs of reconciliation and the peace of Christ. In sharing the peace, we express the reconciliation, unity, and love that come only from God, and we open ourselves to the power of God's love to heal our brokenness and make us agents of that love in the world.

**Those who are
able, please stand*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Ephesians 3:17–19

¹⁷ ...and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸ I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Anthem 8:30

The Honors of Thy Name Arr. Tom Fettke
Anne Dillon Loflin-Gabriel Lugo, duet

*Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.*

*O for a thousand tongues to sing
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
The glories of my God and King
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord!*

*Jesus, the name that charms our fears
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
'Tis music in the sinner's ears
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin
Blessed be the name of the Lord!
His blood can make the foulest clean
Blessed be the name of the Lord!*

*My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro' all thew earth abroad,
The honors of Thy name.
O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise, His praise!*

Anthem 11:00

Wana Baraka
Chancel Choir

Traditional Kenyan
Shawn Kirchner

Wana baraka wale waombao
Yesu mwenyewe alisema. Alleluya!
Wana amani
Wana furana
Wana uzima

They have blessings, those who pray
Jesus himself said so. Alleluia!
They have peace
They have joy
They have well-being

Second Lesson

John 1:12–18

¹² But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. ¹⁵ (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' ") ¹⁶ From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. ¹⁷ The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SERMON

Dr. Karl Kling

SILENT MEDITATION

*HYMN 634

To God be the Glory

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PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

8:30 a.m. *In the Garden* Arr. Mark Hayes

11:00 a.m. *The Honors of Thy Name* Arr. Tom Fettke
Anne Dillon Loflin- Gabriel Lugo, duet

*DOXOLOGY 606

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 THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Our Gracious God, we worship you for creating and redeeming the world through your never-failing love. We glorify your name and lift our voices in joyful praise with all your people saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

We praise you for Jesus Christ, who ate with sinners and taught ordinary people how to love each other. He visited the sick, sent harvesters into the fields, and invited all people to receive his grace.

Want to give your offering via credit card? Scan below.



FOR ONLINE GIVING

The Lord's Table, having been set, the one presiding then leads the people in the great prayer of thanksgiving. This prayer, with its emphasis on thankful praise, has been of central importance to this sacrament from very early centuries in Christian worship. Thanksgiving is so important to this sacrament that it has been given the name of Eucharist (from the New Testament Greek word *eucharistia*, meaning thanksgiving).

**Those who are able, please stand*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

And so, he shared himself in bread and cup with his followers and now with us. As we remember Christ's death and resurrection, we proclaim the miracle of faith saying:

Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Merciful God, we ask you to pour out your Spirit so this meal will unite us as your people. Make all who share this bread and cup one with Christ. And now, as your daughters and sons, help us to pray with confidence the prayer that Jesus taught us:

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

Communion bread is gluten-free. Please eat the bread as it is shared as a sign of your individual trust in God's grace. Hold the cup and we will drink it together as a sign of our unity in Christ.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, in deep gratitude we give ourselves to you. Help us to live as transformed people because we have shared this bread and cup together. Give us your love and joy to share with others. We pray this in Christ's name, Amen.

SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD

*HYMN 80 *You Shall Go Out in Joy* THE TREES OF THE FIELD

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Toccata* Joseph Callaerts

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able, please stand*

Worship Resources Adapted From:
Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Series, the Book of Common Worship, and Enterthebible.org
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OCTOBER 26, 2025

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

307 GATES AVE

3:00-4:30PM

POPcorn!

TRUNK or TREAT

HOT DOGS!

BOUNCY SLIDE!

SIGN UP TO DONATE CANDY OR PROVIDE A TRUNK!




GOODTIMERS 2.0
CLASSIC TV FESTIVAL

TV Character Costume Contest

Pumpkin Snacks & Drinks


Dust off your retro gear and join us for a nostalgic afternoon of laughter, games and fall flavors.

 **Thursday, October 30, 2025**
2:00pm - 4:00pm

 **First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall**



FPC is preparing to support the "Inside" weekend at Limestone Prison Oct 16-19





Kairos Prison Ministry International

Impacting hearts and lives

Are you interested in sharing the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ? Training starts soon. Contact us for more information.

Learn more about Kairos Alabama

Kirkín O' The Tartans

We are excited to announce the Kirkín O' The Tartans worship service will be held on Reformation Sunday, October 26, at the 11:00 worship service. For those of you who are new to our church, this service is a celebration of unity for all, in honor of our Scottish heritage of Presbyterianism. We will give thanks for the Scottish heritage of the Presbyterian Church and celebrate the history of the Christian faith throughout the world. There will be a procession of clan tartan flags, led by the stirring sound of a bagpiper. Those who want to present their country flag, if not a member of a clan, you may raise your flag when your country is called. As the Scots's Confession professes, we worship one God alone and believe in our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All members, visitors, and our Huntsville community are invited to celebrate with us!

Contact Peggy Galloway plgalloway@aol.com or Sharron Abernethy abernes@uah.edu for more information.



Leadership at First Presbyterian Church

Ministry Team and Staff

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Dr. Karl Kling, *Transitional Senior Pastor*.....seniorpastor@fpchsv.org
Lora Bohan, *First Friends Director*.....ffdirector@fpchsv.org
Ellen DeAngelo, *Director of Finance & Administration*.....finance@fpchsv.org
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CHURCH OFFICERS

ELDERS:

Class of 2025
Leigh Brown, Christian Education Committee
Buddy Guynes, Finance Committee
John Howard, Jr., Mission and Evangelism Committee
Serena Neely, Worship Committee

Class of 2026
Caitlin Thomas, Christian Education Committee
Houston Matthews, Finance Committee
Diann Berry, Mission and Evangelism Committee
David Young, Worship Committee

Class of 2027
James Lee, Christian Education Committee
Hamilton Holliday Sr., Finance Committee
Erin Cobb, Mission and Evangelism Committee
Nicole Schroer, Worship Committee

DEACONS:

Class of 2025
Daniel Carter, Care Committee
June Guynes, Fellowship Committee
Clinton Wann, Hospitality Committee

Class of 2026
Katy Bryan, Care Committee
Hudson Cornelius, Fellowship Committee
Courtney Allen, Hospitality Committee

Class of 2027
Ginger Bryant, Care Committee
Jenny Schreeder, Fellowship Committee
Vicky Goodwin, Hospitality Committee

Pastor Nominating Committee

Davis Carter
Heath Causey
Woodward Howard
Stephanie Hyatt
James Lee
Barbara Rahrer
Janis Williams

TRUSTEES:

Class of 2025
Jerry Gattis
Charlie Watkins

Class of 2026
Roy McCorkle
Angela Rawls

Class of 2027
Ryan Parker
Melissa Rowe

Presbyterian Women
Joanne Horn, Moderator

Class of 2028 Officers-Elect

Deacons:

Marian Bevel- Care
Dave Goodwin- Hospitality

Elders:

Daniel Carter- Finance/Personnel
Nancy Lundy-Mission/Evangelism
Libby Rentz-Christian Education
Sherry Smith- Worship

Trustees: Mac Martinson, Andy Watson

Deacon for Fellowship Candidate

Brent Cobb

Brent was raised in the PCUSA church since birth and is grateful for his home congregation (Covenant Presbyterian) in Anniston, AL, who were faithful to their baptismal vows to teach, nurture, and love him during his formative years. After several years on active duty in the Air Force, he moved with his family to Huntsville in 2007 to take a position with NASA where he still works today. Brent and Erin were members at Faith Presbyterian in Huntsville from 2008 until 2023 when the Cobb family joined 1st Presbyterian. He has served as an elder in two previous churches and looks forward to serving the members of 1st Presbyterian as a Deacon. He enjoys running, trail running, reading, gardening, and joining in the exploits of his family—Erin, Sarah, Jake, and Ephraim.

****Congregational Meeting to be held October 12th, after the 11:00 service, for voting on Deacon candidate.****

PRAYER LIST

Names added to the prayer list will be removed after *six weeks*.

Please take the bulletin home to add these names to your daily prayers.

Prayer requests should be emailed to Kristin Pepper, Administrative Assistant, at admin@fpchsv.org.

Church Members:

Stella Wilson
Sandra Stewart
Carsten Schroer
Stewart Family
Frances Byrd
Anne Whitfield
Bob Monroe
Betty Thompson
Richard McElveen
Ed Green
Maxwell R. Carter and family
Becky Buckner
Alicia Beam
Paul Buxton
Janice Fowler
Charlie Watkins
Ted Buckner
Ted Paludan
Barbara (Bonny) Morris
Cay Lambert
Jan Nickoloff
Amelia Beimrohr

Friends and Family:

Gayla McKinney Plott-friend of Bruce & Janis Williams
Marlene Stark - mother of Lisa Everett
Paige Olmo - daughter of Paula Weider
The Wilmer Family - friends of Katy Bryan
Melinda Thompson - daughter of Mary Edith Thompson
Rob Klouw & Katherine Randall - friends of Rachel Harrod
Chet Johnston - friend of Frederick Wessel
Patricia Edmondson - friend of Bruce & Janis Williams
Brian Cain
Mike Moore
Erik and Paul Davis

Family of Mike Galant - friends of Maxwell R. Carter
David Barnes - friend of Maxwell R. Carter
Frances Kyser - friend of Tam Bevel & Judy Howard
Deborah Lamb - aunt of Kaitlyn Huaroto, sister of Pam Huaroto
Emily Loeb Locke - daughter of Betty Loeb
Vickie Boone - friend of Nancy Lundy
Mr. Bookout - friend of Ron & Lisa Stephens
Mr. Wade - friend of Ron & Lisa Stephens
Nathan Harsh Brown Chitty - cousin of George Harsh
Bennie Jacks - friend of George & Eleanor Harsh
Emily Neely - daughter-in-law of Serena Neely
Katie Little Pickle - great niece of Dave & Peggy Galloway
Nancy Neely Harris - sister of Mary Margaret Cofield
Marie Mitchell - mother of Libby Smith
Antony Leo - brother of Lori Smith
Charles Trainosky - grandson of Charlie Watkins
Grant Adams - brother of Glen Adams
The Zapototskyi Family - FPC's sponsored Ukrainian family
David, Jessi, and Emma Grace Hill-friends of Davis Carter
Jared Breach
Claudia Fahrner
Sam Eidt

Patty Monnett- friend of Katy Bryan
Gary Hartwig- friend of Bruce and Janis Williams

Members and Relatives in Specialty Care:

Marlyn and Hoyt Harris (Brookdale)
Cay Lambert (Huntsville Health & Rehab)
Chuck Hooker (Floyd E. Tut Fann State Veteran's Home)
Annwhite Fuller (Whitesburg Gardens)
Kathleen Perry (Valley View)

Military & International:

Prayers for Haiti and our mission partners. This is a critical time as the civil unrest there may undermine all humanitarian work.

All those serving in the armed forces; particularly
LT Connor Howard, U.S. Navy Pilot

THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV

October 5- October 12

Sunday, October 5, 2025

HOLY COMMUNION

8:15am –12:00pm Nursery Room 105/106

8:30am –9:30am Worship Service SAN

8:45am –9:30am Children's Church RM 205

9:30am –10:30am Charles Danner Seminar
Class LIB

9:30am –10:30am Westminster Ringers BR

10:00am –10:30am Faith & Life Adult Class JAH

10:00am –10:30am Children's combined
Sunday School FH

10:30am –11:00am Chancel Choir
Rehearsal/Choir RM

11:00am –12:00pm Worship Service SAN

11:15am –12:00pm Children's Church RM 205
No PYC (Fall Break)

Monday, October 6, 2025

No First Friends

5:30pm –6:30pm Worship Committee Meeting
LIB RM 104

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

No First Friends

10:00am –11:00am Church Staff Meeting LIB

5:30pm –8:30pm Cub/Boy Scouts GBH

6:30pm –8:30pm HMC CR

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

No First Friends

7:00am –8:00am Men's Bible Study FH

1:30pm –3:00pm Pray Shawl Group Rm 104 LIB

7:00pm –8:30pm Chancel Choir Practice CR

Thursday, October 9, 2025

No First Friends

11:00am –12:00pm Prayer Group LIB/Zoom

12:00pm –1:00pm Al-Anon GBH

3:00pm –7:00pm Greene Street Market

5:30pm –7:30pm Maranatha Board Meeting/LIB

Friday, October 10, 2025

No First Friends

Sunday, October 12, 2025

8:15am –12:00pm Nursery Room 105/106

8:30am –9:30am Worship Service SAN

8:45am –9:30am Children's Church RM 205

9:30am –10:30am Charles Danner Seminar Class LIB

9:30am –10:30am Westminster Ringers BR

10:00am –10:30am Faith & Life Adult Class JAH

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School FH

10:30am –11:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Choir RM

11:00am –12:00pm Worship Service SAN

11:15am –12:00pm Children's Church RM 205

12:00pm - Congregational meeting for voting on
Fellowship Deacon

No PYC (Fall Break)

Calendar Legend:

BR - Bell Room (RM 204)

CH - Carriage House (GBH)

CR - Choir Room (RM 201)

FH - Fellowship Hall

LIB - Library (RM 104)

GBH - Gideon Blackburn
House

HR - Historical Room

JAH - John Allan Hall (GBH)

SAN - Sanctuary