

Pentecost Sunday



First Presbyterian Church
June 8, 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.
- There are margin notes throughout the service to increase understanding of the service.
- 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 Room 106.
- Older children are encouraged to worship with their families, and children aged Kindergarten and younger are welcome (but never required!) to go to Room 106/107 for Children's Church after the Time for Young Disciples.
- 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.
- We use the following icons to include our early and non-readers in worship participation. We invite you to point these out to children you may worship with and help engage them in the worship service.



PRAYER



SPEAKING



BIBLE



MUSIC



COMMUNION



OFFERING



BAPTISM

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

Day of Pentecost

June 8, 2025

8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE 8:30 a.m.

Fanfares

FRANK BREAZEALE

11:00 a.m.

Aria

FLOR PETERS

Joe Bader, trumpet

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!

Today is Pentecost Sunday. On the Day of Pentecost we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit descending in a mighty rush of wind and flame to inspire the church's proclamation of Christ's rising and to empower its mission and ministry to the world.



*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Today is Pentecost Sunday and we remember,

Many: **that the Spirit of God is among us.**

One: We are here to worship the Spirit of truth,

Many: **and be filled with this holy presence.**

One: Beloved, worship the God of grace!

Many: **Let us worship God!**



*OPENING PRAYER



*HYMN 66

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST



CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

8:30 a.m. Evan and Heather Smith join by transfer of letter and we celebrate the infant baptism of their daughter, Nora Jane Smith.

11:00 a.m. Jacob (Jake) Joseph Harper joins by profession of faith and adult baptism.

The early Church, following Jesus, took three primary material elements of life — water, bread, and wine — to become basic symbols of offering life to God as Jesus had offered his life. Being washed with the water of Baptism, Christians received new life in Christ and presented their bodies to be living sacrifices to God. Eating bread and drinking wine they received the sustaining presence of Christ, remembered God's covenant promise, and pledged their obedience anew.



*CALL TO CONFESSION

**Those who are able, please stand*

Holy Spirit, we confess that we do not trust your power. We fear it. For you may inspire us to do those things we do not wish to do. So we fight against you, hoping that you will pass like the wind and find someone else to do your bidding. Cure us from our mistrust and fear; create new trust in us. Even when the world does not understand, keep us faithful. Forgive us when we fail, in Jesus' name we pray.

(Let us now continue our confession in silence.)



KYRIE

Lord Have Mercy

Hal H. Hopson

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

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Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Sisters and brothers, God forgives, restores, and strengthens us through the risen Christ. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Many: **Amen.**



*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

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

Many: **And also with you.**

*(Take a moment to greet one another in the peace of Christ
and 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 106 for Children's Church.)*



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

A prayer for illumination may be offered before the reading and proclaiming of the scripture. This prayer seeks the illumination of the Holy Spirit and calls upon God to make us receptive to the life-giving Word, which comes to us through the scripture.



FIRST LESSON

JOHN 14:15-20

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you. “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

Come, Holy Spirit, Into Our Hearts

Chancel Choir

ARR. MARK SCHWEIZER

*Come, Holy Spirit, into our hearts;
With wind and flame, Holy You came,
That all the nations might praise your name.
Come, Holy Spirit, into our hearts;
And with thy sevenfold gifts impart.
Come, Spirit bright, come with thy light,
Come in thy power and thy people unite.
Forth from Father, merciful, thou art.
Come, Holy Spirit, truth divine;
Come fill our lives and make them thine;
Come, with thy blessings,
come within our hearts to shine.*



SECOND LESSON

ACTS 2:1-13

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: **Thanks be to God!**

**Those who are
able, please stand*



PRAYER FOR THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Karl Kling

SILENT MEDITATION



*HYMN 289

On Pentecost They Gathered

MUNICH

By affirming our faith with the Apostles' Creed we continue to affirm the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity which has been confessed by Christians for almost 1,700 years.



*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 OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Trumpet Concerto

J. HAYDN

Joe Baden, trumpet



*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



*HYMN 408

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

*Those who are able,
please stand



FOR ONLINE GIVING

SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD



*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

One: And as God's people, we all say

Many: Alleluia! Amen.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP:

The Rev. Dr. Karl Kling,
Transitional Senior
Pastor

Dr. Lois K. Lee,
Piano/Organ

Chancel Choir
Sherry Smith
Joe Baden

Liturgists:

8:30 am - Susie Conard
11:00 am - Stephanie Hyatt

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Out in Song!
Chancel Choir

LLOYD LARSON

Go out in song and be led forth in peace.

Go out in joy and singing.

May the life that you live resound with melodies of praise.

May God's love enfold you,

Guide and ever hold you in His warm embrace

As you go out in song!

*POSTLUDE

Festive Procession

PAUL BRYAN



Video and Sound:

Tom Stroud
Dave Young
Maxwell R. Carter

Worship Resources Adapted From:

Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Series, the Book of Common Worship, and Enterthebible.org

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able, please stand

Pastor Nominating Committee

to be approved at the congregational meeting on
June 8, 2025, after the 11 a.m. service

Davis Carter



Davis, originally from Birmingham, has resided in Huntsville since 2007. She is married to Daniel Carter, and they have two daughters, Katherine and Emma. Davis is the lead special education teacher at Huntsville Junior High and is very active in her profession and the community. As a lifelong Presbyterian, Davis is actively involved with First Presbyterian Church. Her dedication includes working on the Christian Education Committee and leading the Acolyte Program. She is honored to be nominated for service on the Pastor Nominating Committee.

Heath Causey



Heath has attended FPC Huntsville since 2007 when his future wife Chris Anne introduced him to the church. They were married in the sanctuary at FPC in 2009, and all 3 of their children were christened at FPC. Heath previously served as a Deacon of FPC. His favorite activities at the church bring together families for fun and fellowship.

Woodward Howard



Woodward has attended FPC since 1990 and married his wife, Linda in the sanctuary in August 1992. He has two grown sons, Austin and Connor, who grew up at FPC and a granddaughter. He has served as a Deacon, and an Elder at FPC. His FPC activities include singing in the choir, ringing handbells, serving on various committees, and being the WNL leader for several years.

Stephanie Hyatt



Stephanie joined FPC 15 years ago with her husband Jeff and their kids, Elyse and Mike (both now grown). Since then, she has been involved with several areas of the church, including worship, fellowship, and Christian education, serving as a deacon, and chairing the fellowship committee. Professionally, Stephanie is a career educator, formerly working as a public school teacher and now managing public safety software training at Hexagon. She and Jeff live a few blocks from the church in the historic district and enjoy the fact that they can walk to church -- often with their fellow FPC neighbors.

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James Lee



James lives in Blossomwood with his wife, Leigh Anne, and two daughters: Genevieve (4) and Margaux (1). The Lees moved to Huntsville in 2021 from Boston, MA, and have been attending First Pres since 2022. The girls both attend First Friends Preschool as well. James works in the geospatial technology industry serving public safety customers nationwide; a role that has taken him from DC to Boston and now Huntsville.

Barbara Rahrer



Barbara grew up in Alabama, Japan, Montana, North Dakota and Florida in a family that loved Jesus and the church. After college, she taught high school English in Mobile, AL for six years before going to work for the Army as a logistician. She retired in 2008 after numerous positions in the US and Europe. She took care of her parents during their last years and moved to Huntsville in 2018 and became a member of FPC in 2019. She enjoys teaching children in Sunday school, working in the kitchen to support Wednesday Night Live, and participating in Presbyterian Women.

Janis Williams



Janis is a retired English teacher who enjoys crafts, reading, and connecting with people. She and Bruce have been members of FPCHSV for 16 years, and they share the joy of three sons and five grandchildren living around the world. Janis's faith journey began early in a neighborhood Southern Baptist church in Meridian, MS. While attending Fayetteville, TN, FPC, she was ordained an Elder. At FPCHSV, she has served on our Session, been Moderator of Presbyterian Women, led mission work (Hope for Haiti dresses), chaired Christian Education Committee, participated in our Prayer Shawl Ministry and Goodtimers 2.0 launch. She has also served as a Trustee for the Presbyterian Home for Children. Janis accepts this new responsibility with humility and joy.

There will be a called
**CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING**
TODAY!
FOLLOWING THE 11 A.M. SERVICE
FOR APPROVAL OF THE
PASTOR NOMINATING
COMMITTEE



VBS
Water All Around the World
June 23-26, 9:00-Noon
Register Now!

Please share this link to invite your friends!
Children 4 yrs by 9/1/25 - entering 5th grade

 First Presbyterian Church
307 Gates Ave SE
Huntsville, Alabama 35801



Goodtimers 2.0
Gone Fishin'

The Goodtimers 2.0 will go fishing in Fellowship Hall. Come join the fun, tell some fish stories and tall tales.
Lunch will be provided.
Gather with friends old and new!
Contact the church office to RSVP.

 **SATURDAY, JUNE 14**
1:00 PM UNTIL ...

 **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Faith & Life Sunday School
Join Us!

We welcome adults of all ages to explore faith and share our questions and insights with each other.

Sundays: 9:30 - 10:30 am
in John Allan Hall of
the Gideon Blackburn House



THIS WEEK AT FPCHSV

June 8 - June 15

Sunday, June 8, 2025

8:15 am - 12:00 pm Nursery RM 106
8:30 - 9:30 am Worship Service SAN
8:45 - 9:30 am Children's Church RM 106/107
9:30 - 10:30 am Sunday School

- Combined Sunday School (children) FH
- LEAD Youth GBH
- Charles Danner Seminar Class RM 207
- Faith & Life Sunday School JAH

9:30 - 10:25 am Adult Handbell Rehearsal BR
10:30 - 11:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal CR
11:00 am Worship Service SAN
11:15 am - 12:00 pm Children's Church RM 106/107

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

8:00 am - 1:00 pm NAP Summer Stated Meeting SAN/FH
10:00 - 11:00 am Staff Meeting RM 104

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

7:00 - 8:00 am Men's Bible Study FH

Calendar Legend:

BR - Bell Room (RM 204)

CH - Carriage House (GBH)

CR - Choir Room (RM 201)

FH - Fellowship Hall

GBH - Gideon Blackburn

House

HR - Historical Room

JAH - John Allan Hall (GBH)

SAN - Sanctuary

Thursday, June 12, 2025

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Prayer Group LIB/Zoom
12:00 - 1:00 pm Al-Anon GBH
3:00 - 7:00 pm Greene Street Market
5:30 - 7:30 pm Maranatha Board Meeting RM 104

Friday, June 13, 2025

Office Closed

Saturday, June 14, 2025

1:00 - 3:00 pm Goodtimers 2.0 Gone Fishin' Event FH

Sunday, June 15, 2025

8:15 am - 12:00 pm Nursery RM 106
8:30 - 9:30 am Worship Service SAN
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Join Us For Lunch June 29th at noon

We will hear from our AIR Guatemala mission group about their experiences.

Hosted by
The Mission & Evangelism Committee

Please RSVP with the QR code or
contact the church office.



PRAYER LIST

New prayer requests are in bold print.

In case of a pastoral emergency, you may contact Dr. Kling at seniorpastor@fpchsv.org.

In order to conserve paper and printing costs, 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 Isabel Evans, Administrative Assistant, at admin@fpchsv.org.

Church Members:

Doug Brown

Elaine Woodling

Anne Whitfield

Bob Monroe

Mindy Nettles

Peggy Galloway

Betty Thompson

Richard McElveen

Ed Green

Maxwell R. Carter and family

Becky Buckner

Alicia Beam

Paul Buxton

Janice Fowler

Frances Byrd

Charlie Watkins

Ted Buckner

Ted Paludan

Barbara (Bonny) Morris

Cay Lambert

Friends and Family:

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

Family of Mike Galant - friends of Maxwell R.

Carter

David Barnes - friend of Maxwell R. Carter

Elsa de Ramirez - mother of Patricia Hacker

John Kirk & family - friends of Marian Bevel

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

Jared Cantrell - cousin of Maxwell R. Carter

Mr. Wade - friend of Ron & Lisa Stephens

Nathan Harsh Brown Chitty - cousin of George Harsh

Jean Hindman - friend of George & Eleanor Harsh

Bennie Jacks - friend of George & Eleanor Harsh

Jay & Geoff Murdock - family of Mark Huaroto

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

Mike & Linda Davis - parents of Joseph Davis

Fred Applegate - friend of Katy Bryan

Marie Mitchell - mother of Libby Smith

Edward Smith - father of Bob Frank Smith

Antony Leo - brother of Lori Smith

Charles Trainosky - grandson of Charlie Watkins

Grant Adams - brother of Glen Adams

The Zapototsky Family - FPC's sponsored Ukrainian family

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)

Annewhite 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