

Order of Worship

June 28, 2026

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



Prelude

Prelude on "Born Again," Keeney

Call to Worship (Responsive)

One: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

All: with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

One: I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

All: your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Let us worship God!

Hymn No. 475

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of patience, how often you must watch us spend our energy on things that do not matter. We pour our time and passion into petty arguments. We want others to see things as we see them, and we are intent on proving that we are right. Too often, we are the blind leading the blind.

Gracious God, forgive us and call us back to you. Remind us that what we choose to pay attention to, and how we speak truth into the world, matters deeply. Give us hearts with pure intentions, that we may bear faithful witness to you in all that we say and do.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Moment for Silent Confession

Kyrie No. 551

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

Declaration of Forgiveness

Gloria No. 581

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

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Philippians 4:4-9

Word to Grow By

Anthem

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light, arr. Harlan (11:00)

Second Reading

Matthew 15:10-20

Sermon

Whatever Is Pure, Rev. Dr. Kathy Wolf Reed

Hymn No. 649

Amazing Grace

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal p. 35

Offertory

Simple Aveu, Thomé (11:00)

Doxology No. 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Communion

(9:00)

Hymn No. 543

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

Benediction

Postlude

Summer Idyl, Grieg

Liturgist: Lane Dugger.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by
Terry and Mari Ley in honor of their Iowa friends and family.

Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church, Auburn

New to the Presbyterian Church USA? We would love to share with you more about our Reformed tradition of theology and worship.

New to Auburn, or simply new to this congregation? We'd love to share with you more about the rich history of this church and its valuable contributions to the Auburn community.

Searching for a church home? We would love to join you in that search and help discern whether First Presbyterian may be where God is calling you to be nurtured, inspired, and empowered.

Please take a moment to fill out our [online Friendship Register](#) or you may contact either of us directly.

Revs. Nick and Kathy Reed, Co-Pastors