

Order of Worship
July 12, 2026
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude *With Loving Hearts*, Frick

Call to Worship (Responsive) *Psalm 145*
One: All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.
All: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
One: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.
All: The Lord is faithful in word and gracious in deeds. Let us worship God!

Hymn No. 327 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Confession (Unison)
O Lord our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but we remain silent in the presence of evil. You call us to be reconciled to you and one another, but we are content to live in separation. You call us to seek the good of all, but we fail to resist the powers of oppression. You call us to fight pretensions and injustice, but we sit idly by, endangering the lives of people far and near. Forgive us, O Lord. Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit, and give us the courage and strength to be reconciled to others; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

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

Special Music *Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You*, Lizzy Lovell, soloist (11:00)

Second Reading *Ephesians 4:29-32*

Sermon *Whatever Is Commendable*, Rev. Nick Reed

Hymn No. 450 *Be Thou My Vision*

Affirmation of Faith (Unison) adapted from the *Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls us to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Hymnal p. 35

Offertory *Quietude*, Gregh (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. 305 *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

Benediction

Postlude *Little Trumpet Tune*, Thurman

Liturgist: Julie Price.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God
in celebration of the wedding of Ani and Faithful Nwachukwu.

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