



First Presbyterian Church

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 29, 2024, 11:00 AM

* Indicates that those who are able may stand

Bold type is spoken by the people.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Peace and Global Witness

Sam Glasgow

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Gabrielle Pate, Facilities Committee Member

VOLUNTARY:

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

Anthony Giamanco

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Cade Arnold, Liturgist

ONE: We gather in this place seeking to live in faithful community and asking God to guide us.

ALL: Lord, revive our souls,

ONE: that we might lift each other up.

ALL: Lord, revive our souls,

ONE: that we might order our communities in ways that lead us toward love.

ALL: Lord, revive our souls,

*OPENING HYMN:

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: It is only by the power of God that we are able to stand against evil. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin, saying...

ALL: Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. For you are our rock, and yet we place our faith in sinking sand. You are our redeemer, and yet we are convinced that we must save ourselves. You are our source of unity, and yet we isolate ourselves in every way we can. You are our fount of forgiveness, and yet we fear that we will be condemned. Forgive us, O Rock. Forgive us, O Redeemer, and show us what it means to forgive one another. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

*RESPONSE HYMN:

Lord Have Mercy Upon Us

#575

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

ALL: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI

#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!**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Michael McLaughlin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24-29

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SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: James 5:13-20

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ONE: Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM:

Sing to the Lord

*Ken Medema
Riley Keegan, solo*

Sing to the Lord. Clap your hands and shout out loud.

Sing to the Lord, for He is good.

Sing to the Lord. Clap your hands and shout out loud.

Sing to the Lord and praise His name.

O magnify the Lord with me. Let us exalt His name together.

O taste and see that the Lord, He is good to everyone who calls upon his name.

O bless the Lord my soul. All that is in me bless His holy name.

O bless the Lord my soul. Never forget what He's done for you.

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 9:38-50

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SERMON

Rev. Michael McLaughlin

*SERMON HYMN: We Come to You for Healing, Lord

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COMMUNAL 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.

*GREETINGS

After an exchange of Peace between the Pastor and the Congregation, we encourage you to greet one another. The Greetings will conclude with the first verse of *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*.

ONE: ...The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;

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The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ONE: ... God of abundant grace,

ALL: hear our prayer.

ALL: 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.

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERTORY:

Allegro

Thomas Arne

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

#606

**ALL: 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

*CLOSING HYMN:

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

#465

*BENEDICTION

ONE: ...Alleluia!

ALL: Alleluia!

POSTLUDE:

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Stephen Weber

REGULAR WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY CALENDAR

- **Religion and Culture Class** – 9:30am-10:30am, in Room 6 and on Zoom.
- **Higher Grounds Café** – 9:30am-11am, in the Fellowship Hall.
- **NEW Faithful Living Bible Study** – 9:45am-10:45am in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Adult Morning Bible Study**. 10am-10:45am, in the Library.
- **Nursery** - 10:45am-12:15pm - Ages 5 and under.
- **Children’s Church** - 11:15am, in Room 16
- **NEW Middle School Youth Group** – 3pm-5pm, in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Teen Youth Group** – 5pm-7pm, in the Fellowship Hall.

WEDNESDAY CALENDAR

- **Wednesday Night Gathering**– 5:15pm dinner, 6pm lesson/activities begin.
- **Choir Rehearsal** – 7:30pm, in the Sanctuary.

STAFF:

The Rev. Michael D. McLaughlin.....Lead Pastor
The Rev. Katie Ory.....Dir. TTU PSA, Dir. Children & Youth Ministry
Paul Thurmond..... Director of Music
Virginia Fillers.....SoulSong Coordinator
Amy Ainsley.....Administrative Assistant

ELDERS:

2024: Beverly Cardinal, Pat Wilhelm
2025: Dina Smith, Rick Woods
2026: Cade Arnold, Josh Doré

DEACONS:

2024: Sam Glasgow, Sidonie Sansom, Diana Dugle
2025: Ginny Butler, Chris McCormick, Erica Scott
2026: Michelle Doré, Michelle Fields, Stacey Trent

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN: TBD

BIRTHDAYS:

Paul Thurmond	10/01	Lois Burgess	10/17
Charlotte Kirby	10/11	Jackson Perkins	10/25
Bryant Allen	10/15	Jim Fields	10/31
Katie Kumar	10/15	Ron Ledbetter	10/31