

Worship of the Living God

Gathering around the Word

Prelude Teresa de Freitas
Flute Tune Opus 269
Paul Fey

Welcome Dr. Randy Kirby

* Call to Worship
Called by God, we have come to worship.
Called by Christ, we have come to follow.
Called by the Spirit, we have come to rejoice.
Called together, we will listen and pray.

* Hymn 54 Make a Joyful Noise to God!

* Confession of Sin
Holy God, we have worked all day and night,
for many months and years.
We yearn for a heavy catch, a full church,
and abundant feast.
Forgive us, God, when we are too tired to cast our nets
one more time; when we are too stubborn to do
things a little differently.
Have mercy on us when we are too afraid to dive into
deep waters and take a risk.
Grant us grace that we may proclaim your word, work
for your kingdom, and trust your promises.
Amen.

* Assurance of Forgiveness

* Response 581 Glory Be to the Father
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.

Proclamation of the Word

Children’s Message Megan Shaw

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Matthew 4:18-22

Scripture: Luke 5:2-7

Sermon Rev. Daniel Heath

Moment for Reflection
Like a River Glorious
Arr. Carol Tornquist

Responding to the Word

* 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 & the Lord’s Prayer

Announcements & Celebrations

Offering

Offertory Savannah Lucas, Flute, Sanctuary Choir
A Heart to Praise My God
Joseph M. Martin

* Doxology 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
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

Sending to share the Word

*Hymn 170 You Walk along Our Shoreline

* Benediction

* Benediction Response Go with Us, Lord
Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and
every coming day, that in Your Spirit strong and true,
our lives may be our gift to You,

Postlude Joyful Postlude Opus 265
Paul Fey

*Those who are able are invited to stand.
Bold indicates words spoken in unison.

The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God,
by Nancy Linn and Buddy,
in honor of Jimmy Linn’s 80th birthday today.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Ellen Muire, Rosalie Laughlin, Suzanne Glasgow (Doug
Glasgow’s sister-in-law), Sam Kleto (Doug Glasgow’s friend),
George Fisher

CONTINUING CONCERNS

Fred Aggers, Bill Baker, Barbara Corriher (Jan Corriher Smith’s
mother), Linda Davis, Alice Edwards (Tracy Smith’s mother),
Scott Hay, Vonnie Jordan (Mike Jordan’s mother), Wib Manuel,
Tom Overcash, Reba Parsons, John Smith, Virginia Walser, Pat
Weber

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays: Charles Coleman, Ella Coleman, Linda Davis,
Jimmy Linn, Jared Rowland, Carl Repsher, Lake Billings, Brooke
Cunningham, Joe Sember, Gerhard Wolf, Bob Wood, Dotty
Clement, Faye Shellhorn, Sherry Wolf, Jackie Burleson, Hannah
Galloway

Anniversaries: Banks and Lauren Fisher, John and Anne Cave,
Jan and Helen Kichefski

CHURCH LIFE

Pastors Josh and Lara are on Sabbatical through September 8.
To see updates during their time away, check Pastor Lara’s
Facebook page.

DEEPLY ROOTED

Grow in Faith: First Kids is right around the corner and is looking for help with cooking and serving the meals. Groceries will be provided. They are also looking for shepherds. Contact Megan Shaw, our Children’s Ministry Director, if you are willing to help.

Grow in Faith: It’s time to register for First Kids! 3-year-olds through 5th grade are welcome (3 and & 4-year-olds must be potty trained). We will begin on Wednesday, September 10, 5:30-7:00 pm, and meet weekly. Dinner provided. Cost and more information are available on the registration form.



Worship Music: Sanctuary Choir has resumed rehearsals on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, in the Sanctuary Choir room. **Handbells** will resume on August 20 at 5:15. **LCW Praise Team** rehearsals for singers and musicians resume on Thursdays, 6:30-8:00. If you are interested in joining any of these groups, please speak with Teresa de Freitas, our Director of Music Ministries for choir and handbells, and Judy Mabe or Blaine Smith for the LCW Praise Team (singers and instrumentalists needed).

Care: Our Care Team is looking for more members. Care is our group that works with life events. Contact Andrea Bullock if you are interested.

CORE

Newsletters: The deadline for the fall edition of our newsletter is Wednesday, August 20. This will cover Sept-Nov. Please submit your news to Christine before the deadline, if possible.

BRANCHING OUT

Showing Up: Hurricane Helene Mission Trip Opportunity – September 7-13 – We will be taking a team of 15 to help refurbish homes affected by Hurricane Helene in the Swannanoa/Black Mountain area. Housing and food will be provided at the Montreat Conference Center, and the only cost for volunteers will be personal expenses. All skill levels are welcome. Please contact Margaret Harris with any questions or to sign up. Email margaret.g.harris@me.com.

THIS WEEK

August 17	8:30	Worship – Lewis Hall
	9:45	Sunday School
	11:00	Worship – Sanctuary
August 18	10:00	Staff
	5:00	Fund Team
	7:00	Session
August 19	8:30	RISE Breakfast meeting
August 20	9:00	Yoga
	5:15	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00	Choir Rehearsal
August 21		Race & Justice Team @ RHM
	6:30	LCW Rehearsal
August 24	8:30	Worship – Lewis Hall
	9:45	Sunday School
	11:00	Worship – Sanctuary

First Presbyterian Church

August 17, 2025
11:00 am



LICENSES

CCLI Copyright License 839878 / CCLI Streaming License 20111248 /
CCLI Video License 505518426 / ONE LICENSE #A-732148

First Presbyterian Church
308 W Fisher St Salisbury NC 28144
www.firstpressalisbury.org 704-636-1321

Mission Priorities

Spirit-Centered Discipleship
Hands-on Local Mission
Friendships Across Differences
Embracing the Unchurched