



Worship of the Living God

Gathering around the Word

Prelude	
Welcome	Dr. Randy Kirby
* Call to Worship	
* Song Open	<i>Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King</i> John Wyeth Robert Robinson
* Confession of Sin	
Assurance of Forgiveness	
* Response	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i> John Stafford

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	

Responding to the Word

* Affirmation of Faith	
Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer	
Announcements & Celebrations	
Offering	
Offertory	Caroline Forrester <i>Follow Me</i> Beth Farris
Doxology	<i>Doxology (God Be Praised)</i> Louis Bourgeois Thomas Ken
Prayer of Dedication	

Sending to share the Word

* Song	<i>I Will Follow</i> Chris Tomlin Jason Ingram
* Benediction	
Postlude	
*Those who are able are invited to stand.	

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

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.

WELCOME!

We welcome all new and returning visitors to First Pres. We are glad you’re here and hope you feel God’s presence as you worship and fellowship among this community of believers. Children are always welcome in worship. However, if your little one needs some time to wiggle or play, a nursery is available for children 4 and younger. Please see an usher for more information.

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. Use the QR code!

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).

MINISTRY FOCUS

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

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'S EVENTS

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

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First Kids Registration

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First Presbyterian Church

Where God's Love is Alive for Mission

August 17, 2025
8:30 am

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today.



MISSION PRIORITIES

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

