

Nineth Sunday After Pentecost

July 26, 2026
10:30 A.M.

FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

**Rise in body or spirit*

THE GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stephanie Dube

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be God whose word give hope and shapes our dreams.

Whose love has conquered death.

Blessed be God who orders our way and guides our steps,

Who leads us into life.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN 305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess that we have turned away from you and have not lived with upright hearts. Forgive us for failing to follow you. Guide our feet to walk in your ways and serve your world to the glory of your name.

Brief moment of silent prayer.

PRAYER RESPONSE (HYMN 544)

Bless the Lord

TAIZE

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

Glory Be to The Father

GLORIA PATRI

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

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

*SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 815)

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

FESTAL SONG

BLESSING OF YOUNG DISCIPLES

Stephanie Dube

May God be with you in worship here.

May God be with you in worship there.

Children may depart the sanctuary for Kids' Kirk. They will return before communion.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:26-39 (N.T.p. 158)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 (N.T.p. 14)

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SERMON

The Rev. Sammie Smith

RESPONDING TO GOD'S 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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 675)

TALLIS' CANON

*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.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Sung by all: (Hymn 572)

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

The prayer continues.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All who seek God are invited to the table. Ushers will guide you forward to partake by taking a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. Servers will come to those who prefer to remain in their seats.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE SENDING

*HYMN 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher: *Rev. Sammie Smith*

Music Director: *Patrick Ritsch*

Liturgist: *Patti Price*

Communion Servers: *Debbie McCoy & Mary Lou Taylor*

Kids' Kirk: *Allison Bates*

The Life of the Church

We have printed copies of the **PresbyNotes** available for pick up in the hall.

Join us following Worship every Sunday through the summer for an **Ice Cream Social** in the Pavilion.

MultiCultural Festival signs are available in the hallway beside the Helping Hands Table. Please sign out the signs you take.

The Property Committee will not meet in July.

The Mission Committee will meet next Sunday, August 2nd, following worship.

The Congregational Life Committee will meet tomorrow, July 27th, at 4:00 PM.

Youth Group will meet today at 5:00 PM.

Financial Update Our ministry is funded by the giving of members and friends. Thank you for your generosity.

Year-To-Date (thru June)

Income: \$ 252,518.08

Expense: \$ 242,804.33

Balance: \$ 9,713.75

Month of July (thru 7/25/26)

Income: \$ 26,061.77

Expense: \$ 23,861.23

Balance: \$ 2,200.54

Week of July 19

Income: \$ 3,197.04

Expense: \$ 8,838.40

Balance: (-\$ 5,641.36)



First Presbyterian Church is an inclusive community of faith called to proclaim the good news of the love of Jesus Christ for all people, and to join God in the building of a just, peaceful, and compassionate world.

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SESSION

Debbie McCoy, Clerk
Allison Bates
Will Clancy
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Debbie Hutchinson
Anne Leazenby
Marna Loucks
Patti Price
Ellen Sweet
Mary Lou Taylor
Lloyd Wehrung

DEACONS

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Rayma Bramschreiber
Linda Kabalen
Nancy Harrison
Judy Hughes
Karen Taylor
Patti Burns Taylor

STAFF

Rev. Dr. John Hagmann
Pastor

Sasha O'Bryan
Office Manager &
Pastoral Assistant

Stephanie Dube
Director of Children's &
Youth Ministries

Patrick Ritsch
Music Director

Rex Havener
Custodian

Debbie Hutchinson
Bookkeeper

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