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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. Mark Gabbard
Liturgist - David Blackburn
Music - Kay Boyne
May 12, 2024
7th Sunday of Easter / Mother's Day



OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE "When There's Love At Home" (Wilson)
INTROIT "Antiphonal Praise" (Green)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Happy are those who take delight in the law of the Lord.
They are like trees planted by streams of water. In all that
they do they prosper.
For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous.
May God number us with the righteous as we worship the
Lord.
Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

To mediate upon your law, O God, is to learn of your love
and know of your righteousness. You are a God of tender
mercy, whose benevolent care protects our children and
all creation. We gather to worship you, as creatures of
righteousness, made whole by the redeeming love of Jesus
the Christ. Open our hearts to sing of your goodness, our
minds to explore your wisdom, and our lips to give you all
praise.

✦ HYMN "To God Be the Glory" #56

✦ LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

The testimony of God is greater than human testimony.
God's testimony has borne witness to Jesus, the Christ.
Whoever receives the Word of God has life.
Whoever believes in the One whom God sent has God's

About First United Presbyterian Church

Church Staff

To Our Visitors

Minister: Rev. Mark D. Gabbard
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Commissioned Ruling Elder:
Brenda Ransom

Clerk of Session: Jessica Kuenzer

President of Trustees:
Michael Lussier

Chairman of Deacons:
Jeanne Shibley

Music Director/Organist:
Kay E. Boyne

Administrative Assistant:
Nicole DuFresne
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Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us today.

✦ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM
(Children join the worship service for the first 15 minutes to hear the Children's Sermon)

✦ Sunday School - 10:15 AM
K through 12th Grade - all meet in lower level classrooms

✦ The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.

✦ An asterisk (*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.

✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.

✦ Soup and Sandwich is held the 1st Sunday of each month in the Social Hall. Please join us!

✦ If you need the Pastor after hours, call Church Office to make appointment, or ask Nicole for Pastor Mark's cell phone number.

Pastor's Office Hours: **Office Hours:**

9:15 AM to 12:00 PM 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
(Monday-Friday) (Monday-Thursday)

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Hearing Assistance devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.

Please Silence all electronics prior to worship service.



The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:
Invite people to know and glorify God
Grow together as followers of Christ
Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

We ask that you remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week.

Gabe Litzner, Crisanne Riordan, Jamison Strange, Annette Mailles, Dolores Leuvoy, Carolyn Trumble, Terry Mason, Scott Wallace, Nellie Harrington, Aaron Corbiere, Carolyn Shaw, Della Porter, Gina Gough, Jon Burgess, Kimberly (Swick) Jewell, Jeffrey Burgess, Donna LaPlaunt, Sandy Shaw, Patricia Farnhill, Geraldine Carnahan, Lillian Donelson, Dave & Leslie Henderson, Tara Jean Brody, and all missionaries, and members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.

If you would to add individuals to the prayer list or your prayers have been answered and you would like to be removed from the list, please contact the office



WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or call the church office.

Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshiping with us today.

DEACON PRAYER CHAIN Please remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Jeanne Shibley at (906) 630-1707.

PW ITEMS The PW famous dish cloths are for sale at \$1.25 each. Buy several—the price is right! Get yours today! Ultimate Cloths, no chemicals needed, cleans with just water using MiraFiber technology! Guaranteed 5 years general use! Come on in to the Church office and get yours for only \$6 or 5 for \$25. Presbyterian Women's Second Edition Favorite Salads cookbook is also available in the church office for only \$8!

SENIOR RECOGNITION is next Sunday. The church would like to recognize and honor all Seniors graduating from college or high school in 2024. Please provide the church office a short bio. and a photo to be included in the bulletin. All submissions can be emailed to Nicole at office@soopresbyterian.org or dropped off at the church, no later than tomorrow.

WBS MISSION PROJECT For our May mission project, we are again requesting items of need for Presbytery Point Camp. Please see the wish list below.

- ✦ Food Storage Containers (for Leftovers)
- ✦ White Laundry Baskets
- ✦ Box of SOS pads
- ✦ 12 Napkin Dispensers
- ✦ 12 Gently Used Sleeping Bags

A full list can be seen on our bulletin board. Our sincere thanks in helping to provide another fun and successful camp experience. Your generosity is appreciated by all!

LUNCHEON All women of our church are invited to a "Welcome Summer" Luncheon on June 18th from noon to 2 p.m. in our Social Hall. Brenda Ransom will speak about the "Helping Hands Group" and the service projects they do. For a take home project, Kathy Dowd will show us how to make crystal suncatchers. PLEASE RSVP by June 12th to Margaret Eagle at 906 259-2028 or 906 399-1743; or email to eaglemp71@gmail.com. You may also call the church office at 906 632-2771.



FUPC MEETINGS / GROUPS: *unless otherwise noted...*

Session—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (WR)

Trustees—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (LB)

Deacons—2nd Sunday at 11:15am (WR)

Presbyterian Women— 3rd Tuesday at Noon (SH)

Circle 3—2nd Thursday at 9:30am (WR)

Textile Social Group—Every Thursday from 9:30am to 1:00pm (SH)

Women's Bible Study—1st, 3rd, & 4th Wednesdays at 9:30 am (WR)

Choir Practice—Every Wednesday at 6:00pm (S)

Men's Bible Study—Every Friday at 9:00am (WR)

LB—Library MR—Music Room S—Sanctuary
SH—Social Hall WR—Westminster Room



SERVING US THIS WEEK

Greeters: Cheryl & Tom Thorenen

Ushers: Ron Meister, David Bernier, Fred Michels, Roger Roe, & Paul Sabourin

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

Greeters: Cheryl & Tom Thorensen

Ushers: Charlie Zane, Audrey Zane, Alegra Soorus, Francie Waybrant, & Jim Waybrant

Last week's attendance: 86

Last week's offering: \$2,802.50

This Week's Calendar
May 12 – May 19, 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
9:00a Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15a Choir Practice (MR) 10:00a Worship Service Happy Mother's Day	7:00p Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH)	3:30p Food Pantry
Wednesday	<div align="center">  <i>Presbyterian Church (USA)</i> </div>	Thursday
9:30a Women's Bible Study (WR) 6:00p Choir Practice (S)		9:00a Textile Social (SH)
Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9:00a Men's Bible Study (WR)	7:00p A.A. (WR)	9:00a Coffee Hour (WR) 9:15a Choir Practice (MR) 10:00a Worship Service Pentecost <i>(wear something red)</i> Coffee & Cookies

LB—Library MR—Music Room S—Sanctuary
 SH—Social Hall WR—Westminster Room

testimony.

Whoever receives the Word of God has life.

The testimony is this: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in Jesus Christ, God's Anointed One.

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I proclaim this to you who confess the name of Jesus Christ, that you may know that you have eternal life.

Whoever receives the Word of God has life.

✦ GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" #812
*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 God be with you.
And also with you.
Greet one another in Peace.

ANTHEM "A Mother's Love" (Bacon)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

children are dismissed to the Classrooms for Sunday School

THE WORD OF GOD

Acts 1:21 – 26 (page 103, NT) (Red Bible page, 144 NT)

I John 5: 9 - 13 (page 213, NT) (Red Bible page, 293 NT)

John 17:6 – 24 (pages 97 - 98, NT) (Red Bible page 136 NT)

SERMON "Joy"

✦ HYMN "Nearer, My God, to Thee" #553

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed
Let us say what we believe.
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, died, and was
buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose
again from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sitteth
at 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.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY "A Mother Like You" (Heath, Heller)
Solo: Jackie Tastor
Guitar: David Blackburn

✦ DOXOLOGY #815
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Armed with the truth of your love, O Shield and Defender, you send us into the world to radiate the joy of new life. Accept our efforts, and make them productive in fulfilling your will. Enhance our gifts with the empowerment of your Holy Spirit. In all that we do, challenge us to be obedient to the call of Jesus Christ, to walk in faithfulness, and to respond to the tasks you assign us.

✦ HYMN "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" #575

✦ POSTLUDE "March In D" (Mendelssohn)