



The Vision of the Congregation: We see ourselves as the embracing arms of Jesus Christ for each other, for the community and for the world.

First Presbyterian Church
Twenty-fourth Sunday
after Pentecost
November 8, 2015

<p>SHARE the amazing love of God</p>	<p>REFLECT the light of Jesus Christ</p>	<p>LIVE and serve joyfully in the Spirit's power</p>
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Coming Events

Sunday, Nov. 8
9:30 Breakfast
9:50 Children's music
10:00 Sunday school
11:00 Worship,
including receiving gifts
for \$6 a backpack
12:00 Hospitality hour

Wednesday, Nov. 11
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Sunday, Nov. 15
9:30 Breakfast
9:50 Children's music
10:00 Sunday school
11:00 Worship

Wednesday, Nov. 18
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

Saturday, Nov. 21
9:30 Sanctuary clean up

Sunday, Nov. 22
9:30 Breakfast
9:50 Children's music
10:00 Sunday school
11:00 Worship

Wednesday, Nov. 25
No choir rehearsal

Sunday, Nov. 29
9:30 Breakfast
9:50 Children's music
10:00 Sunday school
11:00 Worship

Tuesday, Dec. 1
10:30 Women's Circle

Wednesday, Dec. 2
6:45 Bells
7:15 Choir

*Reminder: The Court St.
and King St. doors will be
locked during worship.
Please enter through the
sanctuary during worship.*



****Please rise in body
and spirit.***

Made One by Christ

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

All that we have is a gift from God;
by the grace of God we live.

As Jesus gave His life for us,
let us offer our lives to the Lord.

Let us worship God.

News for the Good of the Church

Prelude "Day by Day" arr. Todd Kendall

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

***Hymn #267 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"**

Clothed by Christ

Listening for the silence of God followed by the
"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.**

Corporate Prayer of Confession

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 sins.

**Eternal God, we confess that we have failed
to seek Your will. We revel in power and
privilege while many are struggling to
survive. We boast of our great contributions
while some who have little give all. Forgive
us, God of grace. Strip us of all pride and
pretense and clothe us in Your mercy alone,
ready to meet You in Your glory, through
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

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!

Thanks be to God.

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.

A Life of Blessedness

* Hymn #265 "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

* Charge and Benediction

* Hymn #611 (3rd verse) "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

A Blessing in Music "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" arr. Mark Hayes

Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire

*Prayer is the soul's sincere desire,
Uttered or unexpressed,
The motion of a hidden fire
That trembles in the breast.*

*Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,
The Christian's native air,
His watchword at the gates of death;
He enters heav'n with prayer.*

*No prayer is made on earth alone:
The Holy Spirit pleads,
And Jesus at the Father's throne
For sinners intercedes.*

*O Thou by whom we come to God,
The Life, the Truth, the Way!
The path of prayer Thyself hast trod;
Lord, teach us how to pray.*



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Welcome to our visitors!

We hope that you find our congregation a welcoming one.
Your presence enriches our worship of God.

The flowers in the sanctuary today honor the glory of God.

The Session and congregation wish to thank Mrs. Joyce Roberts for her musical contributions to today's worship service.

Sanctuary cleanup will occur on Saturday, Nov. 21, at 9:30.

Volunteers are needed to help spruce up the sanctuary, clean candle globes, polish brass, etc. in preparation for the Advent season. A pizza lunch will be served. See Agnes for further details.

Quarterly offering statements have been delayed due to a need to convert the offering database to a newer software application. Statements will be distributed as soon as possible when the conversion is complete.

Prayer List

Jeff Baker (Norma Halterman's brother-in-law), Betty Bartlett,
Richard Butler (Paul's cousin), Kyle Craig (Kerry's cousin),
Ronald Curry (Grace Yingling's son), Jackie and Tyler Forsythe,
Benjamin Gerlach (Pat Sparks' grandson),
the Goodwin family (neighbors of Cecilia and Alfred Fry),
Stephanie Green, Mildred Humphrey (Lane Pittman's mother),
Joe Jennings, Mark Leonard (Claudia Laughlin's brother),
Agnes McFadden, Bob Pomeroy, Jr. (Diane Griffin's brother),
Marina Reimann, Carl Rhodes, Georgie Stewart (David's mother),
the Winkler and Powell families,
Dorothy Wooldridge (friend of Carl Rhodes)

Everyone suffering with cancer and facing surgery

Our friends at home, especially

Margaret Glynn, Lanier Halterman, Frances Hardy,
AT and Nancy Mayo, Ann Michaluk, Sue Parker, Lane Pittman,
Burma and Leon Smith, Frances and Harvey Spiers, Robert Westbrook,
Patrice and Phil Winkler, Joyce Wright, Grace and Harold Yingling

Leading in worship today

The Rev. Judy Stanley

Mrs. Joyce Roberts, guest organist

Reader: Todd Taylor

Ushers: David Culpepper, Rudy Simpson

Counters: David Culpepper, Rudy Simpson

November Offerings

11/1	\$ 5,168.00	11/22	\$
11/8	\$	11/29	\$
11/15	\$	MTD	\$ 5,168.00

November Attendance

11/1	Worship	31	Sunday school	15
11/8	Worship		Sunday school	
11/15	Worship		Sunday school	
11/22	Worship		Sunday school	
11/22	Worship		Sunday school	

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Session

The Rev. Walter Hunting, Moderator of Session
Karen Diggs, Class of 2015, Clerk of Session
Worship, led by Agnes McFadden and David Culpepper
Congregational Fellowship, led by Oralie Wilhite
Administration, Property and Finance, led by Paul Butler
Mission and Outreach, led by Jennifer Patgorski
Christian Formation, led by Gail Pittman

Members and friends of the congregation are encouraged to contact the appropriate elder with their comments and suggestions.

Church Staff

Mrs. Edna Broadhurst, Director of Music Ministries

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<u>Birthdays</u>	<u>Ministries</u>	
11/09 Graham Fitzwater	11/1	
11/12 John Hackworth	Sun. Sch. The Butlers	
11/15 Tanner Furman	Brkfst. Diane Griffin	
11/19 Susan Fay	11/8	
Corbin Taylor	Sun. Sch. The Butlers	
11/20 Paul Butler	Brkfst. Todd Taylor	
11/23 Diane Turner	Hospitality	
<i>Missing a birthday?</i>	11/15	
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