

*First Presbyterian Church
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 9, 2025*



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Order of Worship

*Welcome and Announcements-Thank you for joining us for this morning's worship service. We are glad to have you here! If this is your first time visiting with us, please fill out a visitor's form, found in the back of most pews. We would be pleased to add you to our email list. Welcome! **Today, we welcome Carter Melin as our guest cellist. Thank you, Carter, for lending your talents to the enrichment of our service!***

Prelude

"Vocalise"

Rachmaninoff

Choral Call to Worship

Call to Worship

You call us, O Christ, to live as Your disciples,
with new life, by way of new paths, seeking new ways.
In Your call toward deep waters,
grant us faith.
In Your command not to fear,
grant us courage.
In Your invitation to follow,
grant us surrender.
Restore to us the joy of living as Your disciples,
that we might travel with You in the way of miracle. Amen.

Hymn 10

"Sing Glory to the Name of God"

Prayer of Confession-followed by a time for silent confession and prayer

**God who calls through the generations,
You have always been inviting your people to join you in your holy work.
Thank You for calling us to live as prophets and priests.
Thank You for calling us to live as disciples and friends.
Grant us attention, that we might hear Your call this day,
and grant us courage, that we might answer yes,
bearing witness to resurrection power in a world that so desperately needs it.
Amen.**

Assurance of God's Grace

When we are lost,
You guide our way.
When we are confused,
You provide clarity. Thanks be to God for Your leadership. Amen.

Song of Praise (Hymn 276, refrain)

"Sing a New Song"

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings – Prayer of Dedication

Offertory Anthem

"Love Never Fails"
First Presbyterian Women's Chorus

Redford

*Bibles can be found in the back of the pew in front of you. | Words in **bold print** are spoken aloud or sung in unison.*

Doxology

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.

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, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he will 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.

Time with the Children

Hymn 626

“As the Deer”

Prayers of the People

**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.**

First Lesson

Isaiah 6: 1-8, page 591

Second Lesson

Luke 5: 1-11, page 893

Sermon

“Lost in Wonder, Love, and Praise”

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier

Hymn 366

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Benediction

Benediction Response

“Jesus, Be with Us”

David Gambrell

**Jesus, be with us. Help us each day to follow the gospel and live as we pray.
Send us your Spirit and show us your way. Jesus, be with us today.
Where there is hunger and thirst in the land, scatter the systems of greed.
Jesus, be with us; make use of our hands. Lift up your people in need.**

Passing of the Peace

Please join us in the Courtyard Lobby for snacks after worship!

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Prayers of the People

The Family of Jean Byers	David Stuart, Mary's brother
Connie, friend of Oralie	Paul and Alice Butler
Lane Pittman	Oralie and Lou Wilhite
Josh Bennett	Robert and Peggy Norfleet
Monica Manley	Kathy Goolsby
Jackie LaPonte	Betty Hunt, friend of Michele
Maria Rhodes	Mary, friend of Bobbi Stegall
Gus and Clara Spanos	Barbara Bond
Isaiah Burgess, friend of Matt and Gabbi	Sonia Powell
Cecilia Fry and children Alfred and Teresa	Bev Smith, Mallory's mother-in-law
Dana Arden	Mary Leming
Mae Holoman	Nancy J, friend of Oralie and Raymond
Danna, friend of Oralie	Wayne Braswell
John Hackworth	Everest Goodrich
Pat Sparks	Teresa Roberts
Jeff Baker (Norma's brother-in-law)	

Church Staff

Steve Frazier – Covenant Pastor
Edna Broadhurst – Director of Music
Gabrielle Goodrich – Secretary

SESSION

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier, Moderator
Michael Broadhurst (2025)
Michele Graupman (2025)
Diane Griffin (Class of 2025)
Norma Halterman (2026)
Cameron McCormick (2026)
Todd Taylor (2026)
Linda Audet (2027)
Sue Fay (2027)
Pat Sparks (2027)

TRUSTEES

Earl Griffin (2024)
Toni Rutsch (2025)
John Hackworth (2026)

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2 Charles Bond
3 Lauren Graupmann
10 Logan Smith
20 Diane Griffin
20 Steve Frazier
24 Judy Powell
27 Betty Bartlett