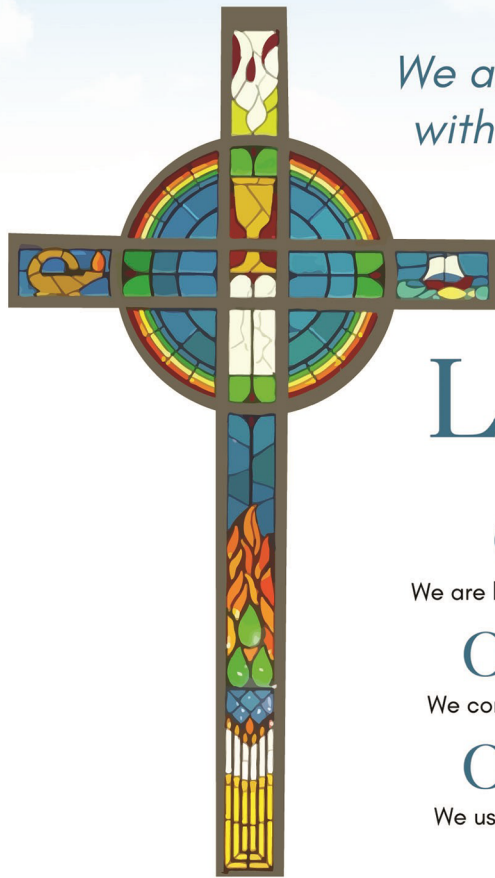


First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

10 a.m.

July 12, 2026



*We are called to love God
with our head, our heart,
and our hands*

LOVING

with

OUR HEAD

We are lifelong learners shaped by God's Word

OUR HEART

We commit to loving God and loving people

OUR HANDS

We use our God-given gifts to serve others

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WELCOME

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Gray Scott, The Antioch Partners

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF WORSHIP & PRAISE

**Goodbye Yesterday*

Gracie Binion | Joshua Holiday
Mitch Wong | Steven Furtick

**Fairest Lord Jesus*

August Heinrich Hoffmann von Fallersleben
Joseph August Seiss

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

Elder Alice Caldwell

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kaiti Bryant

 Children in 3K-5K are invited to go with a worship caregiver to attend Children in Worship. If this is your child's first visit, please fill out and follow the instructions on the "First Presbyterian Church Loves Children" sticker located in the friendship pad. Parents, please pick up your children at Children in Worship at the end of the service.

GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

My Jesus I Love Thee Adoniram Judson Gordon | William Ralph Featherstone

SERMON

Dr. Stuart Bond

How to Build Good Soil

Luke 8: 4 - 18
(Pew Bible page 731)

SONG OF RESPONSE

Goodness of God

Ben Fielding | Brian Johnson | Ed Cash

Jason Ingram | Jenn

Johnson

BENEDICTION

This morning's worship is led by
Dr. Stuart Bond, Senior Pastor
Kaiti Bryant, Program Director for Children's Ministry
Alice Caldwell, Elder
Praise Team
Vic Rockhill, leader
Curt Boswell, bass guitar
Keith Hamrick, drums
David Sanderson, electric guitar
Max Keefe, keyboard
Kadryn Davis, vocals
Megan Garrison, vocals

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome guests! If you're visiting us for the first time this morning, we would like to give you a small gift. As you leave the sanctuary, deacons (with name tags on) will have a Jesus Calling book ready for you. We are glad you're with us.

Lord, Hear Our Prayer. Those in need of prayer include Aubrey Crawford;
Mary Kirkpatrick; Dave and Linda Lawson; Bob McLean; Linda Smiley;
and Ginger Sullivan.

Meet and Greet: Join us at 11 a.m. today in the Jenkins Fellowship Hall to get an update from missionary and covenant partner Gray Scott. Gray works with The Antioch Partners, a missions sending organization, where she serves in Barcelona, Spain, with Arab Ministries. Arab Ministries works with the Arab migrant community, meeting their practical, psychological and social needs. Through relationships developed at their community centers, Gray works as the hands and feet of Jesus so they can encounter Him. Subscribe to her newsletter at <https://gray-scott.epistle.org/subscribe>.

Cookies and Lemonade: Join us after worship for lemonade and cookies.

Congregational Meeting July 26

On Sunday, July 26, we will hold a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of choosing an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (APNC). The meeting will be held at the conclusion of that morning's worship service. A slate of candidates will be presented by the ad hoc committee for your consideration.

Children's Ministry

- Confirmation is Coming! If you have a rising sixth-grader who would like to participate in Confirmation but did not receive a registration packet, please contact Kaiti Bryant to receive the information, kbryant@florencefirst.org.
- Sunday School: There's no Children's Sunday School during July. Sunday School will kick off a little earlier this year on Sunday, August 9! Because the church will continue with one worship service in August, Sunday School will meet at 9 a.m., followed by worship at 10 a.m. Beginning September 12, Sunday School will return to its regular 10 a.m. Sunday School hour, which will continue through April.

Youth Ministry

- Sunday: Sunday School with the Packards, 9 a.m.; RSVP for Wednesday's FLOAT
- Wednesday: FLOAT on the Little Pee Dee River, 9 a.m.
- Thursday: Coffee at F.E. Pop's, 9 a.m.

The Tabernacle Experience is coming to FPC this Fall (September 26 – October 4). This interactive experience will bring you face to face with a life-sized replica of the Tabernacle of Moses and provide an understanding of the significance of the Tabernacle to Israel during the Exodus. Watch for more details later.

Financial Update

The 2026 Ministry Action Plan, approved by the Session totaled \$ 1.98 million. That translates to a weekly need of \$ 38,424.00 to fully fund the ministries of First Presbyterian Church for 2026. Our actual weekly receipts are averaging \$32,865.00, which is less than our weekly need. Contribution statements for January – June will be sent via e-mail this week. These statements are intended to serve as a reminder of the commitments made to support the mission and ministry of First Presbyterian Church. When you receive your statement, reflect on what you see and respond as God prompts your heart.

Giving is an act of worship! Did you know you can scan this QR code from your mobile device and be directed to our online giving site. Thank you for your support of the ministry and mission of First Presbyterian Church!

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JULY 12

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Combined Worship Service
- 11:00 AM Lemonade and Cookies
- 11:00 AM Meet-and-greet with Gray Scott: Jenkins Fellowship Hall
- 11:15 AM Children's Ministry Team meeting: Women's Only Classroom

MONDAY, JULY 13

- 12:15 PM CDC Bible Study
- 2:30 PM Prayer Group: Price Classroom
- 5:30 PM Enabling Team meeting
- 5:30 PM Selah Yoga: CLC
- 6:00 PM Boy Scouts meeting
- 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study: Room 203

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

- 9:00 AM Youth: FLOAT Little Pee Dee River
- 10:00 AM Small Group Bible Study: WOC
- 6:30 PM Men's Study *Practicing the Way*: Lawson-Rain Chapel
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JULY 16

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study: LR
- 7:45 AM Faith in Motion Men's Bible Study
- 9:00 AM Youth Coffee
- 10:30 AM Women's Bible Study: WOC

SUNDAY, JULY 19

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Combined Worship Service
- 11:00 AM Lemonade and Cookies
- 11:15 AM Children's Ministry Team Teacher Meeting: Lawson-Rain Chapel