

First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

10 a.m.

August 9, 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 INTERN REFLECTIONS

Catherine Canfield, Ella Hylton,
and Penn Packard

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF WORSHIP & PRAISE

**The King is in the Room*

Ethan Hulse | Josh Farro | Phil Danyew
Phil Wickham | Taylor Johnson | Tommy Iceland

**The Apostles' Creed*

front of hymnal

**Doxology*

Old Hundredth

**Mighty to Save*

Ben Fielding | Reuben Morgan

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

Elder David Spivey

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kaiti Bryant

👉 Children in 3K-first grade are invited to go with a worship caregiver to attend *Children in Worship*. Children who attend *Children in Worship* must check in prior to dismissal from worship by using the QR code. Parents, please pick up your children at *Children in Worship* at the end of the service.



PROMOTION SUNDAY

Kaiti Bryant

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR 2K STUDENTS

Elena Doan Brevé	Ellis Jones	Web Mimms
Baker Burch	Gibson Lewis	Ford Pittman
Lilly Gratham	Blake Matthews	Brewer Tolson
Sarah-Beth Hubbs	Ford Mimms	

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR FIRST GRADE STUDENTS

Fielding Ames	George Evans	Brady Matthews
Wells Armstrong	Wyatt Foster	Isla Pittman
Addie Bulloch	Eleanor Lane	Bennett Richey
Wade Courtney	Mya-Rose Losah	Grier Toniolo
Woods Courtney	Cile MacLennan	

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR CONFIRMAND STUDENTS

Isla Campbell	Ethan Hall	Lily Packard
Collins Coker	John Hofler	Richard Ryan
Thomas Eldridge	Jason Ifabnui	Andi Rae Straus
Harper Etheridge	Coleman Jeffords	Abigail Tuttle
James Genoble	Maggie Jones	Duncan Williams

GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Love of God

Aaron Keyes | Aaron Williams | Jake Fauber

SERMON

Dr. Stuart Bond

Be Prepared

Luke 9: 1-9

(Pew Bible page 1025)

SONG OF RESPONSE

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Edward Perronet | John Rippon
Oliver Holden

BENEDICTION

This morning's worship is led by
Dr. Stuart Bond, Senior Pastor
Kaiti Bryant, Program Director for Children's Ministry
David Spivey, Elder
Praise Team
Vic Rockhill, leader
Curt Boswell, bass guitar
Randy Oswalt, drums
Jude Emert, guitar
David Sanderson, electric guitar
Max Keefe, keyboard
Kadryn Davis, vocals
Courtney Emert, vocals

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers this morning are given in loving memory of Nancy Bratton, longtime 2K Sunday School teacher, and in recognition of all of our children's Sunday School teachers!

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 Alva Whitehead and Harriett Whitehead and family for the loss of their sister Maria; Aubrey Crawford; Mary Kirkpatrick; Dave and Linda Lawson; Linda Smiley; Ginger Sullivan; and Ronnie Welch.

Mission Trip: Covenant Partners Brandon Blankenship, and Kimberly and Pack Packard, are planning to go in October to Southwest Asia, where they will be working with professors and students at a top university in the region. They will be part of a team leading an interactive English camp. If you would like to contribute to the mission, please use the QR code and select Southwest Asia Mission Trip in the Fund drop down.



Children's Ministry

- **Children's Sunday School** meets at 9 a.m., followed by worship at 10 a.m. Beginning September 13, class will return to its regular 10 a.m. hour.
- **New Children's Ministry Check-In Procedures:** To help provide a safe and secure environment for every child, we'll be implementing new check-in procedures **today**.

Nursery

- Member families will have pre-printed name stickers available each Sunday — one for your child's back and one for their diaper bag (if needed).
- First-time visitors will complete a sticker with their child's name and parent/guardian information for both the child and diaper bag.

Sunday School (2K–First Grade)

- Teachers will use class rosters and attendance sheets to check children into class each Sunday.
- If a visitor attends, parents will be asked to complete a Visitor Card with their contact information and their child's information.
- For the safety of our youngest children, if a teacher does not personally know the adult picking up a child, they may ask to see a photo ID and verify it matches the parent or guardian listed on the class roster or Visitor Card before releasing the child.

Children in Worship (3K–First Grade)

- Parents must check their child in by scanning a QR code located throughout the Sanctuary and Sanctuary entrances before Children in Worship begins.
- The digital check-in form provides teachers with an up-to-date attendance list, emergency contact information, allergies, and any special notes.
- If a teacher does not know the adult picking up a child, they may ask to see a photo ID to verify it matches the name used during the digital check-in before releasing the child.



- **Parent Announcement:** We invite children entering 3K through first grade only to Children in Worship. Children entering second–fifth grade will remain in worship with their families, while students entering sixth grade and above are invited to serve as helpers alongside our adult leaders. These updated guidelines will help us provide the best experience for our youngest children while encouraging our older children to continue growing through participation in worship. Thank you for your support as we continue to strengthen this ministry!

Tiles for Tots: Join us for an evening of mahjong, fellowship, and fun while supporting the children of First Presbyterian Church Child Development Center. The fundraiser will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, August 27, in the Lawson-Rain Chapel. Individual tickets are \$30 and \$110 to reserve a table. Register on Realm with the QR code or pay by venmo (@fpcflorence-sc).



The Tabernacle: We're reaching out to invite you to become a volunteer at The Tabernacle! Your help can make a significant impact for this ministry of First Presbyterian Church, and we would love to have you on board.

Whether you have a few hours to spare or are looking for a more involved role, there are many opportunities to lend a hand. If you're interested in volunteering, please send an email to Tabernacle@florencefirst.org for more details.

Check your Calendar! There will be a 1½-hour training session from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 24.

1. **September 21 – September 24,** we will need strong volunteers each day from 12:30 until 5 p.m. to help set up the Tabernacle. On those days, we also need volunteers to bring water and snacks for the workers.
2. **September 26 – October 4:** We need volunteers each day for a 3½-hour shift, but the last shift may take a little longer because of closing (This is reflected in the time.). On Saturday, there are three shifts (9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., 12:30 - 4 p.m., 4 - 8 p.m.), on Sunday there are two shifts (12:30 - 4 p.m., 4 - 8 p.m.), and during the week, only one shift from 4 to 8 p.m.

The following are the stations which need volunteers:

- a. **Welcome Station:** Welcoming our visitors and giving them a program, answering their questions and directing them to the Exodus trail or the Audio Station.
- b. **Audio Station:** Getting our visitors set up on the MP3 players or getting the QR code on their phones.
- c. **Courtyard:** You will make sure all supplies are kept out and neat. The courtyard is silent. You will only be observing all the stations within the courtyard. Please be in biblical garments. (We do have some at the church you can borrow).
- d. **Tent of Meeting:** You will make sure all supplies are kept out and neat. The Tent of Meeting includes the most holy of holies and is silent. You will only be observing. Please be in biblical garments. (We do have some at the church you can borrow).

Let's embrace this journey and all the opportunities it brings!

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9 Promotion Sunday

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Combined Worship Service
- 11:00 AM Lemonade and Cookies
- 11:15 AM Parent, Confirmand, and Mentor Lunch: Jenkins Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 PM Youth: Bible Reading Club

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

- 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
- 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study: Room 203

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

- 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
- 4:00 PM Youth and College Ministry Team: Women's Only Classroom
- 5:00 PM Youth Ministry Team: Youth Room
- 7:00 PM College and Career: Trivia at Local Motive

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

- 8:00 AM Veterans Brunch Meeting: Lawson-Rain
- 12:15 PM Missions Team Meeting: LR
- 5:30 PM Youth Group
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study: LR
- 7:00 AM Youth: Coffee at F.E. Pop's
- 7:30 AM Men's Book Study: Women's Only Classroom
- 8:00 AM Faith in Motion Men's Bible Study
- 10:30 AM Women's Bible Study: WOC

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

Confirmation Retreat

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

Confirmation Retreat

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

Confirmation Retreat

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Combined Worship Service (Traditional)
- 2:00 PM Youth: Back-to-School Pool Party (Frost's)

The King Is In The Room

Ethan Hulse | Josh Farro | Phil Danyew
Phil Wickham | Taylor Johnson | Tommy Iceland

Come open the doors and make way
The King is in the room, the King is in the room
Expectant for strongholds to break
'Cause we know what You can do
We know what You can do

We're gonna see lives changed, souls saved
Broken hearts made new

The King is in the room
Lord we enthrone You upon our praise
The King is in the room
There's freedom and life anywhere You reign
Jesus we bow only to You
We're laying down all of our crowns
The King is in the room

The King is in the room

Come see all the captives run free
He's tearing down the walls
He's tearing down the walls
There's grave shaking power when we sing
The Name above them all
Your Name above them all

Fear has to flee, shame has to leave
Before the King, before the King
Chains have to break, dry bones awake
Prepare the way

The King is in the room
Lord we enthrone You upon our praise
The King is in the room
There's freedom and life anywhere You reign
Jesus we bow only to You
We're laying down all of our crowns
The King is in the room
The King is in the room

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 Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Mighty To Save

Ben Fielding | Reuben Morgan

Ev'ryone needs compassion
Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Saviour
The hope of nations

Saviour He can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever, Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave,
Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Ev'rything I believe in
Now I surrender

Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King

Love of God Benjamin Hastings | Brandon Lake | Cody Carnes | Phil Wickham

It's so good, I almost can't believe it
Far beyond what hearts could ever dream
The God who set the galaxies in motion
Would descend to give His life for me

For what could make perfection bleed for sinners?
What leads a King to pay so great a cost?
All my life my heart will sing the answer
Only the love of God

Singing, oh, how great is the love of God
He paid our debt on that rugged cross
For all our days we will sing our Savior's praise
How great is the love of God

It's so kind it leads us to repentance
It's so bright the darkness has to flee
Hallelujah, it cleared my guilty sentence
For I was bound but now I stand redeemed

For what could break the chains of any prison?
What force could rob the power from the grave?
What would trade my rags for heaven's riches?
Only the love of God

Though I try, my mind can't comprehend it
It's so high, too marvelous for words
I could sing a million songs about it
And barely scratch the surface of Your worth

This all my life, the banner I'll be waving
My anthem cry, no matter what may come
And when I rise to walk the streets of heaven
I'll still be singing this song (oh, my song)
For everything that You've done
How great the love of God, hey

Singing, oh, how great is the love of God
He paid our debt on that rugged cross
For all our days we will sing our Savior's praise
How great is the love of God
How great is the love of God

All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name Edward Perronet | John Rippon | Oliver Holden

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race
Ye ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all

Let ev'ry kindred ev'ry tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of (Crown)

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord

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