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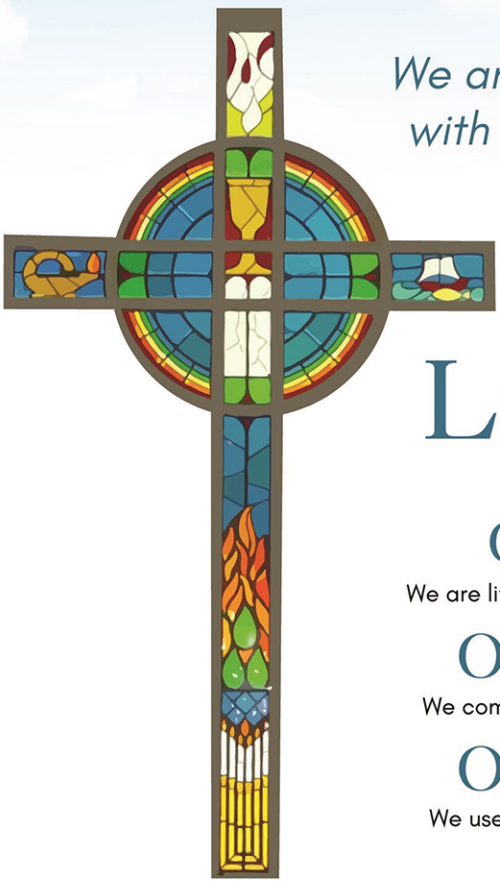

We are called to love God with our head, our heart, and our hands

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF WORSHIP & PRAISE

***Your Grace is Enough** — Matt Maher

***Build My Life** — Brett Younker | Karl Martin | Kirby Kaple | Matt Redman | Pat Barrett

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.

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE — Elder Jayne Boswell

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Hymn of the Holy Spirit — Pat Barrett | Brenton Brown | Chris Tomlin | Jason Ingram

SERMON — Dr. Stuart Bond

The Next Generation
Deuteronomy 6
(Pew Bible pages 178-179)

SONG OF RESPONSE

Always — Jessie Harris | Josiah Funderburk | Matthew Ryan Harris

BENEDICTION

This morning's worship is led by
Dr. Stuart Bond, Senior Pastor
Jayne Boswell, Elder
Kaiti Bryant, Program Director for Children's Ministry
Praise Team
Vic Rockhill, leader
Curt Boswell, bass guitar
Keith Hamrick, drums
David Sanderson, electric guitar
Courtney Emert, vocals
Jude Emert, vocals
Megan Garrison, vocals

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Richard, Lucy, and Ben Thomas by Betsy Johnson and her family.

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 Bridgette Coates, for the loss of her father, Ben Parker; Berta Allen; Cindy Bond; Aubrey Crawford; Evans Holland; Mary Kirkpatrick; Dave and Linda Lawson; Mary Ann Nash; Ginger Owen; Linda Smiley; Ginger Sullivan; and Ronnie Welch.

November is our Stewardship Emphasis month. "Your Gift Counts" is the theme, and we will be looking at how God calls each of us to give, as we are able, to support the ministry and mission of First Presbyterian Church. Giving is an act of worship and discipleship and involves giving our time, talent, and treasure. Commitment Sunday will be November 22, when we will collect commitment cards for 2027. Please give prayerful consideration to how God would have you give to support and expand the ministries of First Presbyterian in 2027. As our giving increases, so do the ministries of our church. Thank you for your continued support of the ministry and mission of our church.

Stay Connected in Prayer! Sign up to receive occasional Associate Pastor Nominating Committee updates and weekly prayer reminders by text message. Text **START** to 864-514-8431 and stay connected with our church community.

First Connections: Learn more about life with the Lord and life at First Presbyterian Church. You are invited to join us for our new members class the first four Sundays in November. We meet at 10 a.m. between services in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Nights: Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. Dinner this week is baked potato bar, tossed salad, and pastry desserts. Educational programming begins at 6 p.m. for children and 6:15 p.m. for adults. Youth Group begins at 5:30 p.m.

Ministry Event: Men and women are invited to join a ministry event from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 10, in the fellowship hall hosted by Women in Ministry. Shelley Gandy, RN, and Robert Moore will be the featured speakers, providing an end-of-life discussion. Light appetizers and refreshments will be served. RSVP requested but not required by using the QR code or calling the church office, 843-662-2583.

Youth Ministry

- Sunday: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Small Groups, 5 p.m.
- Wednesday: Youth Group, 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday: Coffee, 7 a.m. F.E. Pop's
- Fall Retreat, November 13-15, Montreat, N.C.

Operation Christmas Child: Let's bless children around the world this season by filling a shoebox with fun toys, school supplies, personal care items, and special surprises. Please stop by the display table in the Welcome Center to pick up information. All packed shoeboxes MUST be returned to the church by November 12. Contact Kelly Hickey at 843-662-2583 for more information.

Hanging of the Greens: Women in Ministry members will decorate the church from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, November 30, and 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 1. Volunteers are needed and welcomed!

Christmas Centerpieces: Join the Women in Ministry for a seasonal workshop from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 1, in the fellowship hall. Materials will be provided. Bring your own container or pick one. Light refreshments will be served, and there will be a Christmas lesson. Cost is $5. Register using QR code or call the church office, 843-662-2583.

Keenagers will meet at noon Tuesday, December 1. Come see what the staff has in store for us as we celebrate the season. It is always fun. All covenant partners 55 and older are welcome to join for food and fellowship. Meal cost is $7.

Stewardship Update: First Presbyterian Church relies on the generosity of our covenant partners to fund our ministry activities. The information below is a snapshot of our giving through the end of October. Giving for October was better; however, our average monthly giving is below our monthly budget need.

Monthly Giving Need	October Giving	YTD Surplus/(Deficit)
$163,667	$155,120	($57,289)

Associate Pastor Nominating Committee Prayer Request

"Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." – Hebrews 11:1



We seek prayer for and with the committee this week as we are seeking to have faith in the Lord's plan with candidates, and their responses and interactions with our Associate Pastor position. Pray for the faith of the committee to be led by Him solely and not by worldly sight as we strive to discern the Lord's will for this position.

We also request a focused effort to corporally pray together for the APNC and their efforts. Mondays at noon, please pause and send up prayers for the committee and their work, should your schedule allow. If not at this designated time, please include the APNC in your regular prayer time. Thank you.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

9:00	AM	Contemporary Worship Service
10:00	AM	First Connections: Jenkins Fellowship Hall
10:00	AM	Sunday School
11:00	AM	Traditional Worship Service
12:00	PM	New Officer Training: JFH
12:30	PM	WiM Salty Sisters
1:00	PM	Living Nativity (sixth grade only) cast rehearsal
5:00	PM	Youth: Small Groups

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9:00	AM	CDC bookmobile
9:30	AM	CDC Chapel
2:30	PM	Prayer Group: Price Classroom
5:30	PM	Selah Yoga: CLC
6:30	PM	WiM Women of Grace: off campus
7:00	PM	Boy Scouts: Scout Room
7:00	PM	Men's Bible Study: Room 203

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

7:00	AM	Men's Prayer Meeting: Room 100
10:00	AM	WiM Joyful Hearts: Room 100
10:00	AM	Staff Meeting
11:00	AM	Just for Women Bible Study: CLC
12:00	PM	WiM Soul Sisters: Price Classroom
1:30	PM	Ladies Ensemble Rehearsal
3:00	PM	WiM Serenity: Lawson-Rain Chapel
5:00	PM	Small Group Bible Study: Parlor
5:30	PM	Enabling Team Meeting
6:00	PM	End of Life Talk: JFH

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11 **Veterans Day**

8:00	AM	Veterans Brunch Meeting: LR
12:15	PM	Missions Team Meeting: LR
4:45	PM	Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:30	PM	Wednesday Night Dinner: baked potato bar, tossed salad
5:30	PM	Youth Group
6:00	PM	WiM Prayer Warriors: Women's Only Classroom
6:00	PM	WiM Wednesday Night Women: parlor
6:15	PM	Wednesday Night Electives
7:30	PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Your Grace is Enough Matt Maher

Great is Your faithfulness O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart

(So) remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice God
You use the weak to lead the strong
You lead us in the song of Your salvation
And all Your people sing along

(So) remember Your people
Remember Your children
Remember Your promise O God

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

Build My Life Brett Younker | Karl Martin | Kirby Kaple
Matt Redman | Pat Barrett

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, We live for You

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

Hymn of the Holy Spirit

Pat Barrett | Brenton Brown
Chris Tomlin | Jason Ingram

Holy Spirit guide my vision
Help me see the way You see
Always Jesus ever Jesus
Christ in all as Christ in me

Holy Spirit guide my speaking
Words of grace and truth abound
Let my lips be filled with stories
Of the mercy that I've found

(Oh) You're the light You're my path
You're the Shepherd of my soul
All I am all I have
Holy Spirit lead me on

Holy Spirit lead me onward
Walking through the great unknown
Trusting leaning holding clinging
Till the day You lead me home

Always

Jessie Harris | Josiah Funderburk | Matthew Ryan Harris

The Lord is my shepherd
My refuge and my shelter
Though enemies surround He's my defender

He's faithful and patient
He's loving and He's gracious
From age to age His goodness never changes

I will sing praise
I will sing praise
For the Lord is good always

All of my days
Held by His grace
For the Lord is good
The Lord is good always

Always always
The Lord is good always
Always always
The Lord is good (always)

I'm standing on the Rock
The Rock of Ages
Holding to the hope
That's never failing
I've got all I need 'cause I've got You

Oh I've got all I need 'cause I've got You