

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, July 14

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
 10:30 a.m. - Called Session Meeting in the Enquiry Classroom

Monday, July 15

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 16 - Tuesday, July 30

The Doughton Family will be away on vacation

Saturday, July 20

9:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Women and Ladies Who Love the Lord
 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Baby Shower for Hope Elizabeth Sheppard-Mahaffey Cooper. All women are invited.

Sunday, July 21 - Guest Preacher, Walter Teter

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Sunday, July 28 - Guest Preacher, Adrian Rodriquez

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Friday, August 2 through Monday, August 5

Renee Stormer will be away on vacation

Sunday, August 4 - Rally Day - Blessing of the Backpacks

The Lord's Supper will be observed at both worship services
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
 12:00 p.m. - Picnic Style Luncheon in Wilbanks Hall

Wednesday, August 7

6:00 p.m. - Staff Meeting
 7:00 p.m. - Board of Deacons Meeting - Crossroads Classroom
 7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, August 11

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Wednesday, August 14

7:00 p.m. - Session Meeting - Crossroads Classroom
 7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, August 18

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Tuesday, August 20

6:30 p.m. - Presbyterian Women Kick-off with Salad Supper

Wednesday, August 21

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Mtg - Crossroads Classroom

Sunday, August 25

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

THOSE WHO SERVE

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor
 Ryoji Shimpo, Director of Music Ministries/Organist & Pianist
 Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant
 Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus



Presbyterian Women and Ladies Who Love the Lord

July 2024 Mission Giving

(See the Bulletin Board for more information)

Needed Items

Socks and Underwear - Part of our shower service includes giving our guests fresh clean underwear. We collect **MENS BOXER BRIEFS** all sizes and **WOMENS COTTON UNDERWEAR** all sizes.

We also need **ankle and crew socks for both men and women.**

Clothing - Clothes can be new or used in good condition. We need **men's pants, shorts and shirts.** We are well stocked with women's clothes. We need belts and shoes for both men and women.

Toiletries

- Exam gloves size Large & XL
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Deodorant
- Bug Spray
- Travel Size Conditioner
- Travel Size Foot Powder
- Razor (3+ Blade)
- Washcloths
- Full Size Shampoo
- Full Size Conditioner
- Q-tips

The Mid-Year Contribution Reports are in the Welcome Center

We want to let you know how grateful we are for your financial support of our church. The time, talents, and treasures, you provide help make the ministries, outreach and fellowship of our church possible. We appreciate your support during these challenging times.

We feel that it is important you see what you pledged to give and what you have given.

We thank God for you and your family which makes up our church family. May all your gifts to our church be multiplied for God's greater plan and the advancement of His Kingdom.

Blessing
of the
Backpacks

Sunday,
August 4, 2024



THE CHALLENGE



The 100 Can Challenge continues . . .
 Let us carry on **THE CHALLENGE** to collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total collected thus far in July is **43 items.**
Thank You!

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

July 14, 2024

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

About the Cover Picture

This view of the Sea of Galilee is the picture of calm. People can swim close to shore. They can relax lakeside. However, the currents out in the lake are strong. Storms can rage on the waters. Today we will look at a Psalm and a Gospel account. We will see Who we can trust in the midst of storms.



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We hope you find a welcome here worthy of the gracious God we serve. Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk () invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say, and material printed in italics may provide some helpful information. Let us worship God!*

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Maurine Howell

INTROIT 368 *We Fall Down* Chris Tomlin

We fall down; we lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus:
the greatness of mercy and love, at the feet of Jesus.
and we cry holy, holy, holy.
And we cry holy, holy, holy.
And we cry holy, holy, holy is the Lamb.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2; Psalm 34:1, 22, 3*
Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

We will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in our mouths. The Lord redeems the lives of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned. O magnify the Lord with me and let us worship His name together.

*HYMN 620 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, this morning we bring You our confession. We confess we have gone astray. Shepherd us, Lord. We confess we often love You half-heartedly. Make us whole, Lord. We confess we trivialize Your sacrifice. Give us perspective, Lord. We confess we find most of our strength in ourselves. Be our strength, Lord. We confess little zeal for Your glory. Give us passion, Lord. We confess we've done so many things wrong. Forgive us, Lord. We confess we often don't love You well. Love us, Lord. Hear our prayers, O Lord. We ask these things in the Name of Jesus Christ, who exchanges our confession for abundant life in Him. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE (*Hymn 581*)

**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. A—men. A—men.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION Youth Report on Mission Trip

ANTHEM *God Is My Rock* Ed Harris
Chancel Choir

Almighty Father, our Heavenly King, Eternal Master,
your praises we sing, All knowing and all powerful,
You are my rock.

Refrain: God is my rock, God is my rock,
God is my rock of my ages, rock of my soul.
God is my rock, God is my rock, God is my rock,
the rock of my salvation.

(continued)

The wise man built his house upon the rock and not the sand
Choose a rock for your foundation, Choose a rock to take your stand.

Dwell upon the rock of God
And you will be strong of faith
And sure of God's salvation for eternity.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, Your Word makes wise the simple-open us to
Your message today as we hear Your Word read and preached in
Jesus Name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON ♦ *Luke 8:22-25*

One day He got into a boat with His disciples, and He said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they put out, and while they were sailing He fell asleep. A windstorm swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to Him and woke Him up, shouting, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And waking up, He rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. Then He said to them, "Where is your faith?" They were terrified and amazed and said to one another, "Who then is this, that He commands even the winds and the water and they obey him?"

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON ♦ *Psalm 46:1-3*

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Se'lah*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN 835 *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

SERMON *Refuge* Rev. Jones Doughton

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 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, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* arr. Ron Boud
Ryoji Shimpo, pianist

*DOXOLOGY (*Hymn 606*)

**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.**

*HYMN 450 *Be Thou My Vision*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 748 *Go with Us, Lord* Thomas Tallis
Go with us, Lord,
and guide the way through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

POSTLUDE *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* arr. Matt Hyzer

Following the Response we will have our Postlude. Please be seated as the Postlude begins. You are encouraged to use all of the Postlude as part of the worship service. If you wish to pause and then leave during the music, please do so in a worshipful way. Rev. Doughton will be at the door to shake hands.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - Sue Bohmer (8:45); Sheryl Miller (11:00)

Deacon/Ushers † - Gina Villafana, Rafael Villafana,
Bryan Sanders, and David Howard

Youth Readers ♦ - Zoe Futrell (8:45); Bennett Doughton (11:00)