NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, May 4

Tuesday, May 6

Sunday, May 11 - Mother's Day

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 9:15 a.m. - Presbyterian Women Morning Circle 7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women Night Circle Tuesday, May 6 through Friday, May 9 Rev. Doughton will be away for Continuing Education 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 9:45 a.m. - Men's Council - Pancake Breakfast 7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Mtg in Crossroads Classroom Troop 138 80th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, May 18 - Senior Sunday 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages 12:00 p.m. - Senior Graduation Luncheon (everyone is invited)

Tuesday, May 20

Tuesday, Mav 13

Saturday, May 17

7:15 p.m. - Joint Officers Meeting in the side room of Wilbanks Hall

Saturday, May 24 through Saturday, May 31 Rev. Doughton and Family will be away on Vacation

Sunday, May 25 - Guest Preacher - Rev. Josh Maddin 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Monday, May 26 - Memorial Day The Church Office will be closed

Sunday, June 1

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

Saturday, June 7 through Saturday, June 14

The Youth and Sponsors will be away on the 2025 Mission Trip

Sunday, June 8 - *Guest Preacher*

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages



2025 First Presbuterian Youth Mission Trip T-shirt Project Purchase an ad: \$1,000 \$500 \$350 \$250 \$150** \$50* \$25 Ads \$50 and above - score a free T-Shirt! Purchase additional T-Shirts only \$20 each



Mother's Day Pancake Brunch Sunday, May 11, 2025 During the Sunday School Hour 9:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Presented by the Men's Council

Please R.S.V.P. in the Welcome Center

FPC L.I.F.E. Youth FLAMINGO FLOCKING

Would you like to send a flock of flamingos to someone?

Please support the L.I.F.E. Youth on their Summer Mission Trip to Milwaukee, WI.

Pay only \$20 to have someone Flocked.

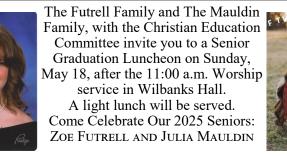
Pay only \$25 for Flocking Insurance.

This is a fun way to tell others in our community about First Presbyterian Church

It is also a fun way to raise funds for our mission trip.











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

GUIDE TO WORSHIP May 4, 2025 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

This locked door leads to some sort of room that is carved in rock in Juneau, Alaska. It looks like a primitive jail-but it is not. This Sunday we will look at Paul's words to the Romans-In Jesus Christ there is no condemnation. There is no jail sentence.



ONLINE GIVING OPTION

Have you ever thought of giving online? If you would like to give online you may scan the QR Code, this will take you to the giving button on our website.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

Todd Kendall PRELUDE Fantasia on 'Coronation'

INTROIT 627 I Love You, Lord

> I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You; O my soul, rejoice. Take joy, my King, in what You hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Philippians 1:2; Romans 5:5, John 4:24 Grace and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. And also to you.

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit Who has been given to us. Those who worship God must worship God in spirit and in truth. Let us worship God.

*HYMN 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Laurie Klein

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty, Gracious, and Merciful God; You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in Your lovingkindness. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of our salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit. 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

*HYMN 701 *Lord, Prepare Me* arr. Nylea L Butler-Moore Lord, Prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All knowing God-as Your Word is read and preached may it shine Your light on our lives, may it sharpen our wills to respond, and may it guide our direction to follow we pray in Jesus Name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 8:1b-11

Early in the morning He came again to the temple. All the people came to Him and He sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery; and making her stand before all of them, they said to

Him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" They said this to test Him, so that they might have some charge to bring against Him. Jesus bent down and wrote with His finger on the ground. When they kept on questioning Him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." And once again He bent down and wrote on the ground. When they heard it, they went away, one by one, beginning with the elders; and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before Him. Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She said, "No one, sir." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again."

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 8:1-4

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*HYMN 458 Thy Word Is a Lamp Unto My Feet Amy Grant Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, still You're there right beside me. Nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

The Children and Youth are asked to come forward at this time.

SERMON	No Condemnation	Rev. Doughton
*HYMN 286	Breathe of	n Me, Breath of God
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING		

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Breathe on Me, Breath of God arr. Mark Hayes 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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION †

POSTLUDE

Elder # - Ron Smith (8:45); Ann Smith (11:00) Ushers † - Rafael Villafana, Schyler Marin, Gina Villafana, and Madison Marin



*HYMN 839

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The 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.

Words of Institution

Reception of the Sacrament

Prayer after Communion

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 546 (vs. 1) Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

Geoffrey Thring

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, Your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Blessed Assurance Charity Book Putnam

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

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary were given to the glory of God by Ann Smith in loving memory of her husband, Pat Smith. Remembering him on his birthday.



THE CHALLENGE

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we 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 items collected in April was 99 items. Thank you to all who contributed!