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Date: Saturday, October 3, 2026

Time: 10:00am-11:30am

Location: First Presbyterian Church

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Welcome to Worship!
First Presbyterian Church
September 13, 2026 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 a.m.

Prelude/Welcome/Announcements

Introit: "You Are My Light"

*Call to Worship: (from Psalm 100)

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth!

Worship the Lord with gladness!

Know that the Lord is God.

God made us, and to God we belong.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to the Lord and praise God's holy name!

For the Lord is good and God's love endures forever!

God's faithfulness continues through all generations!

*Hymn "Blessed Assurance" #839

Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession: **Unison Reading**
Forgive us, Lord, when we forget that you have taught us how to address sin among us. We have been so shaped by the ways of the world, sometimes we can't even recognize when we are failing to follow your teachings on conflict and restoration. You taught us to talk to the people who have done us wrong, yet so often we prefer to stay mad and gossip about them. You taught us to help one another realize when we stray from your ways, yet we still avert our eyes and ignore many wrongs in our midst. You taught us to make amends and seek to repair trust, yet we settle for grudges and cutting off our neighbors. Forgive us, Lord, when we make problems even worse by failing to trust in your ways.

Announcements

Fellowship will follow the worship service in the fellowship hall, please join us!

Youth Group Kick-off! All teens welcome (including new friends) in the Youth Room at 6:30 -8 pm Light supper provided.

Session meets Monday at 6:30 pm.

Ruth Circle meets Tuesday at 10 am.

Deacons meet Tuesday at 6:30 pm.

Chancel Choir meets on Wednesday at 6:30 pm.

Fall Bible Study What do we mean when we say we are "called" to do something? What can we learn about calling from the stories of our spiritual ancestors? Join us Thursday nights at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall until October 29th.

Workcamp Shareholder Dinner is September 20th at 5 pm.

Volunteers are needed to clean the kitchen and fellowship hall on Tuesday, September 22 from 9 am - noon. If needed we will continue on Wednesday, September 23. Thank you!

Sign-up sheet for flowers is on the bulletin board, one week's notice is needed for flower orders, see Stefanie Kluck.

Per Capita for 2026 is \$45 per person.

Stewardship Update: August income = \$9,684.33
August expenses = \$11,813.09 Difference = \$-2,128.76

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication **Unison prayer**

Holy God, we bring these gifts with our gratitude for everything you have done for us. We dedicate them, along with our hearts, for your service and glory. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Joys & Concerns, Pastoral Prayer ending with **The Lord's Prayer**

*Hymn "Christ Be Beside Me" #702

Benediction

Postlude

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Every member a minister...

Accompanist	Christie Schweitz
Choir Director	Sharon Smith
Liturgist /Reader	Staci Thompson, Caleb Newkirk
Projectionist	Gavin Early
Ushers	Jim Mitchell and Norm Dean

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Where community, faith, family, and friends come together.***

Time of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon:

When Jesus surrendered his life on the cross, he paid the price for all our sin. He showed us that God does not want us to die for our sin, but to learn what is right and have abundant life. Friends, believe the Good News! In Jesus Christ you are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri #581

Passing of the Peace

Choir Anthem: "You Are My All In All"

Scripture: Ezekiel 33:10-19; Matthew 18:15-20 pg. 883; 1001
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Healthy Accountability"
Pastor Lisa Lopez-Meyer

Affirmation of Faith: (From the Confession of Belhar, 10.5)
We believe that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, and that God's life-giving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world.

*Hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (v.1-3, 5) #306