

CHILDREN’s Opportunities
Sundays

Infants-K2
Nursery room 119 (8:45-12:15)
with Dawsey, Bess, Payton, & Ella

10:00
K3 – 5TH
Sundays@10 from 10 – 10:45
(Root Cellar)

11:00
K3-K5 are welcome in worship or may participate in extended session in room 120 if they like.

1st – 5th grade in worship until the sermon during which they may choose to adjourn to Children’s Chapel and return following the sermon.

May 25	Cindy Leary and Linsey Anderson
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Youth

Wednesday, May 21st – **Sand Volleyball at Lander** from 6:00 – 7:00.
We will meet at Centennial Dorm Hall (Brice St.).

Thursday, May 15th – **High School Night** at Starbucks at Lander from 7:00 – 8:00.

**Our mobile library books are for men by men
from now to Father’s Day.**

Sunday, May 18
9:00 a.m. - Worship Service
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Camp Fellowship)
5:30 p.m. - Diaconate (AH)
5:30 p.m. - Session (HR)
Monday, May 19
10:00 a.m. - Presbyterian Women (HR)
4:30 p.m. - PGS (Sanc)
5:00 p.m. - Admin (BR)
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)
6:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts (AH)
Tuesday, May 20
9:15 a.m. - Staff
4:00 p.m. - Family Bible Study (BR)
7:00 p.m. - Chorale (Sanc)
Wednesday, May 21
7:00 a.m. - Men’s Bible Study
10:30 a.m. - BEMA Bible Study (BR)
5:30 p.m. - WNF (Migs)
6:00 p.m. - Youth (Lander)
7:00 p.m. - High School Night (Starbucks @ Lander)
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir
Thursday, May 22
4:00 p.m. - PGS Auditions (Choir Rm)
Friday, May 23
10:30 a.m. - Noah’s Ark Graduation (Sanc)
Saturday, May 24

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by Lucia and Thurmond Bishop to the glory of God and to celebrate the baptism of their granddaughter, Palmer Lillian Bishop.

**Wednesday Night Fellowship
we will be meeting
at Mig’s at 5:30 for WNF!**

We are tentatively scheduled to start with the grounds update in the next few weeks. This means the entire west lawn, in front of chapel and Old Byrd will be inaccessible due to demo and reseeding.

***May 18, 2025
9:00 am***

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church
Visitors, we consider you to be our honored guest. Our staff members are happy to assist you in any way possible. First Pres. is a church dedicated to making a positive difference in our community and world by fulfilling our call to Worship, Serve, Educate, Evangelize, and Fellowship. -We offer a wide range of programs and ministries for all ages. Several times a year a New Members Class is offered for those considering membership at First Pres. You may talk with one of the staff members about this after the service. Please plan to worship with us again - you are always welcome.

*Senior Pastor -- The Rev. Dr. Kyle D. Hite
Parish Associate -- The Rev. Dr. Brad Christie
Theologian in Residence -- The Rev. Dr. Cliff Cain
Director of Christian Education -- Elise Collins
Director of Music Ministries -- Steve Skinner
Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries -- Jade Green
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Music Associate/Guitarist -- Stephan Botchie
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GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
People: who made heaven and earth.

Rev. Hite
Ps. 124:8

(Please sign and pass the Member/Guest Registry. If you are a guest, your name, address, phone number, and e-mail address will be most helpful.)

ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 148)

Leader: Let everything that has being
praise the name of the Lord!
All: Mountains and hills, fruit trees and all cedars,
shall praise the name of the Lord.
Leader: Young men and women alike, old and young together
shall praise the name of the Lord.
All: We shall praise your name, O God,
for your glory is above earth and heaven.
Leader: Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN** #465 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” CONVERSE

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Palmer Lillian Bishop
Palmer is the daughter of William and Brittany Bishop
and the granddaughter of Thurmond and Lucia Bishop.

CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
our hearts turn to you in humble confession.
We acknowledge that often
our praises are conditional,
offered only in times of ease,
and spoken only within familiar walls.
Forgive us when we are silent in the face of adversity,
when our voices have faltered in unfamiliar places,
and when we fail to recognize the constant invitation
of all creation to join in the chorus of your praise.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Friends in Christ, we are forgiven.
People: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE HYMN #568 “Amen” AMEN

GIVING of TITHES and OFFERINGS

Call to Offering
Offertory “Great Things”
Stephan Botchie, Worship Leader

*Doxology (On Screens) OLD HUNDREDTH
*Dedication of the Offering Rev. Christie
As we have received, so now we give.
As Jesus has shown us, so now we do unto others,
as God has so graciously done for us.
Thanks be to God!

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 148 Rev. Christie
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!
Musical Meditation

SERMON “Let All Creation Praise” Rev. Hite

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

*CLOSING HYMN #837 “What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine” SHOWALTER

*BENEDICTION

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

(At the conclusion of the service, please share the peace with one another.
Be sure to greet those who are unfamiliar to you or those you have not seen in a while.)

*POSTLUDE

AIDS FOR WORSHIP - Large print hymnals and wireless hearing devices (instructions are in the pew racks) are available in the narthex.

*Congregation stands **Late comers may be seated