

Jesus loves the little children and so do we!
So, whether they are bumping, shuffling, whispering, or giggling,
they are welcome in worship!
And we also adore service dog rattles and sighs.

Summer Intern Fun

Be sure to check the June Spire for all the Summer Intern Fun dates for the summer!!!
Please note that when we say what age levels events are for,
we mean those who have completed those grades.
Younger children are welcome if accompanied by a parent or babysitter.
Events that have a cost can be paid on Realm or to Nan at the church.
Payment is your RSVP.

Guys Field Day is set for Monday, June 23rd, from noon to 3:00. This activity is for
boys, K5-5th grade completers. Cost is \$10, meet in Alexander Hall.

Youth
CAROWINDS!!!

For 3rd-5th grade completers and Youth
All day (from 8-8, tentatively) on Thursday, June 26th
Cost is \$50 and you must register by Thursday, June 19th.
You can register on Realm or turn in your \$50 to Nan in the front office.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Join us this Thursday evening, June 26th at 6:30, at Montagues.
Call the office to RSVP by noon on Wednesday.

Worship at 10:00 for June and July
Sojourners will meet at 9:00.
Nursery from 9:45-11:00.

Sunday, June 22
9:00 a.m. - Sunday School (So-journers)
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service
Monday, June 23
12:00 noon - Guys Field Day
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)
Tuesday, June 24
9:15 a.m. - Staff Mtg.
Wednesday, June 25
7:00 a.m. - Men’s Bible Study (HR)
10:30 a.m. - BEMA Bible Study (HR)
5:30 p.m. - WNF (Migs)
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir
Thursday, June 26
8:00 a.m. - Carowinds
6:30 p.m. - Ladies Night Out (Montagues)
Friday, June 27
Saturday, June 28

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given by The Taylor Stokes Family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Barbara Hall and Toots Stokes.

Wednesday Night Fellowship
is meeting
at Mig’s at 5:30 for WNF!

We have started with the grounds update.
This means the entire west lawn, in front of chapel and Old Byrd will be inaccessible due to demo and reseeding.

We have also started with the kitchen renovation. We hope to have this completed by the end of July.

June 22, 2025
10:00 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.

Church Bus Drivers

Occasionally we need people to drive the church bus for events.
Would you be willing to drive the bus to an event or two?
Please let us know so we can add you to our insurance and list.

NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH

Kyle’s Farewell Sermon
10:00 Sanctuary

Called Congregational Meeting

In the Sanctuary, immediately following service
For the purpose of dissolving the pastoral relationship with Rev. Dr. Kyle Hite.

Reception Honoring Pastor Kyle and Christie Hite
In Alexander Hall, immediately following congregational meeting

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
Music Associate/Organist -- Tim Walters
Music Associate/Guitarist -- Stephan Botchie
Noah’s Ark Director -- Lauren Trantham

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GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: O praise the Lord with me,
People: let us exalt God’s name together.

Rev. Hite
Ps. 34:3

(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.)

PRELUDE

“Praise to You”
Stephan Botchie

John Finch

EAST BANK, WV MISSION TRIP COMMISSIONING (See Insert)

ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lily Collins

Leader: We are called to proclaim the Word;
to be prepared in season and out of season;
to correct, rebuke and encourage—
with great patience and careful instruction.
People: We seek the sound doctrine of God’s holy Word.
Leader: Let us not turn our ears away from the truth
and turn aside to myths,
but let us keep our heads in all situations,
endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist,
and discharge all the duties of our ministry.
People: Therefore, we come to worship the living God,
whose Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.
Leader: Let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN** #610

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
Stanzas 1-4

AZMON

CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Hannah Carter

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
we confess that we often fall short of living by your holy Word. Though we have known the sacred Scriptures from our youth, and proclaim them to be God-breathed and essential for our lives, we sometimes neglect to truly take them to heart. We confess that we often listen to what our “itching ears” desire, rather than diligently seeking your truth. Forgive us, Lord, for our lack of discipline and for our spiritual complacency. By your Spirit, empower us to live lives that truly reflect your Word, for the glory of your name.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

RESPONSE HYMN (On Screens) #701 “Lord, Prepare Me”

SANCTUARY

GIVING of TITHES and OFFERINGS

Call to Offering

Rev. Hite

Offertory

“O Sons and Daughters of the King”

Paul Sjolund

*Doxology (On Screens) “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
Stanza 5

AZMON

*Dedication of the Offering

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!

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Summer Interns

Children may choose to exit at this time:
K3-K5 -- Room 120; 1st-5th grades -- Children’s Chapel

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Timothy 3:15-4:4

Rev. Hite

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“The Truth Will Set You Free”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The 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.

*CLOSING HYMN #702

“Christ Be Beside Me”

BUNESSAN

*BENEDICTION (please remain for the Congregational Benediction)

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

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION (Back of Hymnal)

“We Are Yours”

GLICK

(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