

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.

**Special Request for our children**

We would like to offer a baking day at the church for our children this summer.  
Maybe something like Is It Cake or Nailed It from Netflix???  
Anyone interested in facilitating???

**A big thank you to all our VBS participants and volunteers!  
We had so much fun!**

- Our theme was Mission Possible: With God, All Things Are Possible!
- We learned to have hope like David when he fought Goliath.
  - We learned to have courage like Daniel when he faced the lions.
    - We learned we're never alone like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the fiery furnace.
  - We learned that goodness grows like when Jesus fed the 5000+.
  - We learned that God equips and sends each of us like he did Mary Magdalene at the resurrection.

**Carowinds for 3rd – 5th completers and for youth!**

June 11 – 8:00 A. M. depart from church  
**\$50 RSVP to Nan or on Realm by 6/7!**  
Friends welcome!  
Chaperones welcome!

**Sunday, June 7**

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service  
11:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
2:00 p.m. - Hastings Service  
5:00 p.m. - Admin (Conf Rm)  
5:30 p.m. - Recital Rehearsal (Chapel)  
7:00 p.m. - Recital (Chapel)  
7:00 p.m. - Young Adults (Break on the Lake)

**Monday, June 8**

2:00 p.m. - Water Day  
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)

**Tuesday, June 9**

STAFF PLANNING DAY  
7:00 p.m. - Chorale (Sanc)

**Wednesday, June 10**

7:00 a.m. - Men's Bible Study (Conf. Rm)  
10:30 a.m. - BEMA Bible Study (HR)  
5:30 p.m. - Dinner (Migs)

**Thursday, June 11**

8:00 a.m. - Carowinds  
6:00 p.m. - CLC (BR)  
7:00 p.m. - Ladies Night Out (Montagues)

**Friday, June 12**

**Saturday, June 13**

9:30 a.m. - 7th Day Adventist (HR/Lib)  
10:00 a.m. - Chorale  
5:00 p.m. - 7th Day Adventist (HR/Lib)

**Key**

**AH**-Alexander Hall  
**Loft**-3rd Floor Youth Room  
**HR**-Henry Reynolds Room, Room 110  
**BR**-Barksdale Room, Room 122  
**Sanc**-Sanctuary  
**YR**-3rd Floor Youth Room, also called the Loft  
**Base**-Basement, also call the Root Cellar  
**FISH**-Adult Sunday School Class, Room 205  
**Conf. Rm**-Conference Room, Room 206  
**Lib**-Library, Room 121  
**Maps are posted throughout the campus.**

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Abigail Burnett and Sloan Gregory on June 6, 2026.

*Our Christian prayers and sympathies are extended to* David and Kelly Hastings and their family on the passing of their son, Nicholas Hastings on May 23, 2026; to the family of Elizabeth Pinson of Alpharetta, GA, upon her passing on May 17, 2026; and to the family of Jerrie Butler of Winter Haven, FL upon her passing on May 31, 2026. We share with them the joy of the promise of resurrection and eternal life.

**Summer Intern Fun calendars will be in the Spire!**

**Take a look.**

And don't miss all the fun events on Facebook as well.  
Ladies Nights Out  
Date Nights  
Young Adult Vibes  
Summer Bookclub

**2nd Sunday after Pentecost  
June 7, 2026  
10:00 am**

**Welcome to First Presbyterian Church**

Visitor, 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.

*Interim Pastor -- 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 Children's Music -- Sarah Bowen  
Music Associate/Organist -- Tim Walters  
Noah's Ark Director -- Lauren Trantham*

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**GATHERING MUSIC**

**GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Brad Christie

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.  
People: We are the people of God’s pasture  
and the sheep of God’s hand.

*Ps. 95:6-7*

*(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.)*

**MINUTE FOR MISSIONS** (Mission Study Report) Clerk of Session, Mark Abell

**PRELUDE** “Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing” Gordon Young  
*Chancel Choir*

**ADORATION**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** [from Ps. 33:1-12] Mark Abell

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.  
People: We will praise the Lord!  
Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song.  
People: We will praise the Lord!  
Leader: For the Lord has done great things.  
People: We will praise the Lord!  
Leader: O come, let us worship the God of all creation.

**\*OPENING HYMN\*\* #34** “Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being!” RUSTINGTON

**CONFESSION**

**CALL TO CONFESSION** Elise Collins

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty and merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.  
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.  
We have offended against your holy laws.  
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults.  
Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared  
to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord.  
And grant, O merciful God, for his sake,  
that we may live a holy, just,  
and humble life to the glory of your holy name.  
Amen.

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

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

**\*HYMN #679** “Let the Whole Creation Cry” SALZBURG  
*(Please share the peace of Christ with one another.  
Be sure to greet those who are unfamiliar to you or those you have not seen in a while.)*

**GIVING of TITHES and OFFERINGS**

**Call to Offering** Elise Collins

**Offertory** “Come, Ye Sinners” (text: Hymn #415)  
*Becky Gardner, oboe* setting; David Ashley White

**\*Doxology** (On Screens) LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication** Elise Collins

**PROCLAMATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Genesis 1:1-4a Rev. Christie

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

**SERMON** “Creative Community”

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**THE INVITATION** Rev. Christie

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Minister: The Lord be with you.  
People: And also with you.  
Minister: Lift up your hearts.  
People: We lift them to the Lord.  
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.  
Minister: It is truly right to glorify you...  
...we sing a hymn to your glory:  
All (# 559): Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Minister: The gifts of God, for the people of God.  
People: Thanks be to God.

**THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS** (Gluten free)

*You may partake of the elements and dispose of the cups in the basket  
before returning to your seat. Or, you may take the bread and cup  
back to your seat and partake of the elements together.*

**Music during Communion** “Gabriel’s Oboe” (from “The Mission”)  
*Becky Gardner, oboe* Ennio Morricone

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #22** “God of the Sparrow” ROEDER

**\*BENEDICTION** [Please remain for the Congregational Benediction]

**\*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION** (On Screens)  
“May the Peace of God” Getty/Townend

**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