



**First Presbyterian Church**

Service for the Lord's Day  
9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2024

10:00 a.m.

*In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

Hymn Sing (9:45)  
Words of Welcome  
Prelude

Christmas in July  
"The Cuckoo"

L. C. d'Aquin

Call to Worship

Our help is in the name of the Lord

**who made heaven and earth.**

This is the day the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

\* Hymn 393

“O Day of Rest and Gladness”

*Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.*

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,**

**we confess that we have sinned against you**

**in thought, word, and deed,**

**by what we have done,**

**and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you**

**with our whole heart and mind and strength.**

**We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy, forgive what we have been,**

**help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,**

**that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways**

**to the glory of your holy name.**

\* Silent Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

\* Response 447

“We Are Forgiven”

*We are forgiven! We are forgiven! Thanks be to God.*

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 7:1-14(a) (OT, p. 281)

Psalter: Psalm 92 (Hymn 682)

A Time with Children

Second Lesson: Mark 6:30-34 (NT, p. 41)

Sermon: “A Gracious Invitation”

Rev. Carter

*Sermon Series: Disciple School 101*

**RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\* Hymn 182

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

\* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Offertory

“Adagio for the Glass Harmonica”

W. A. Mozart

\* Doxology (606)

\* Prayer of Dedication

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\* Hymn 837 "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Postlude "The Rejoicing from *Music for the Royal Fireworks*" G.F. Handel

*If you are leaving before the postlude is finished, please do so quietly.*

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\* All who are able shall stand.

**The flowers** have been given by Joe and Ginny O'Brien and their children, Mary, Kate and Sadie, in loving memory of their mother and grandmother, Mary Copley.

**PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Pastor	Rev. William Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Grace Farrell
Ushers	Barbara Norton and the Farrell Family

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## Church Family Announcements

*Our congregation worships God, equips God's people for ministry in the world, and serves God in ways that are faithful to the Gospel.*

**Thank you for joining us for Worship.** We worship in two ways!

- **Join us in person at 10:00 a.m.**
- **Tune in online** for our service, which is broadcast live and archived for later viewing on our website, [fpccs.org](http://fpccs.org).
- Please use the **red attendance pads** to record your presence today.
- **Large-print bulletins** are located at the rear of the sanctuary.

**The Nursery is open** Sunday mornings from 9:40-11:10 a.m. for children ages 3 and younger in room 208. The nursery is staffed by Heather Lyons.

**Bible Time**, our program for children (age 4 to approx. grade 4), is taking a summer break and will resume in the fall.

### **Opportunities to Sing:**

**July 28 and August 25** - No choir experience necessary!

Would you like to sing with a group once or twice this summer? To give it a try? Or just because the rest of the year is too busy?

**Rehearsals** are scheduled for **July 24 and August 21** at 7pm in the sanctuary. All are invited to rehearse on those Wednesdays, and sing during the service on the following Sunday.

**The children's choir** will rehearse on Thursday August 1, 5:00 p.m. in the sanctuary and sing in church on August 4.

**Are you interested in taking a CPR and defibrillator training class**, like the one offered last fall? If yes, contact JoAnn at [jodihall@nep.net](mailto:jodihall@nep.net) or 570-806-1591. If there is sufficient response, a class will be scheduled.

**Tell us your prayer concerns.** Prayer Request Cards are in the pew racks. Pass them to the center aisle to be collected during the first hymn.

**Please pray for:** Hall, Janet, Staci, Travis, Darlene, Edward, Irena, Bette, Maureen, Bentley, Nate, Kay, Kelly, Jamie, Judy, Renee, Clyde, Emily Denise, Sawyer, Dawn, Bill S., Rebecca T., June, Marion, Nancy J., Debbie S., family and friends of Todd Frick, Kerry B., Renee and family, Brenden.

**Take Me Out to the Ball Game!** We will be going to a Rail Riders game on **Friday, August 2**. The game starts at 6:30. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. **Tickets are \$13** (for children and adults). **Please pay Betty Keen by July 21 – TODAY!**

### **This Week at a Glance**

Sunday, July 21

- **9:45 a.m.**, Summer Hymn sing
- **10 a.m.**, Worship in the sanctuary and online
- Please be sure to pay Betty Keen for your baseball tickets

Wednesday, July 24

- **10:30 a.m.**, Prayer and Share, Room 209
- **7 p.m.**, Summer Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary

Sunday, July 28

- **9:45 a.m.**, Summer Hymn sing
- **10 a.m.**, Worship in the sanctuary and online

**Later this summer – Check your newsletters for information!**

- August 2 – Rail Riders' game

**Summer office hours** will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

**We are grateful** for the many ways that people support our church's ministry to the community and world. If you wish to contribute by cell phone, scan here.

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