



The People of First Presbyterian Church

OUR GATHERING

The Chiming of the Hour Prelude	“If With All Your Hearts”	Mendelssohn arr. Smith
Welcome and Announcements Choral Call to Worship Prayer of Praise and Adoration	“O Day of Rest and Gladness”	Es Flog win Kleins Waldvoegelein
+Call to Worship: Hymn # 401	“Here in This Place” (Verses 1 and 4)	Gather Us In
+Hymn #394	“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” (Verses 1 and 4)	Westminster Abbey
+Hymn of Confession # 275	“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” (Verses 1 and 4)	Ein’ Feste Burg

Congregational Prayer Response: **“How our hearts with joy abound, with your beauty all around; words are feeble to express your great love and righteousness “**
(From Hymn # 333)

Assurance of Pardon: Hymn # 840	“When Peace like a River” (Verses 1 and 4)	Ville du Havre
Choral Anthem	“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”	Nettleton/Harrisburg

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination: Hymn # 450	“Be Thou My Vision” (Verses 1 and 2)	Slane
The Word of God		Psalm 65:1-13 (p. 499)
Hymn #38	“To Bless the Earth” (Verses 1 and 4)	Christus, Der Ist Mein Leben
Hymn #12	“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” (Verses 1 and 4)	St. Denio

+Affirmation of Faith (from The Apostle’s 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 living 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.

+The Gloria Patri, 581 *Glory Be to the Father*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

+Hymn #353	“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” (Verses 1 and 3)	Solid Rock
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Prayer of the People: Hymn # 172	“Blest Are They” (Verses 1 and 5)	Blest Are They
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Call for the Offering

Offertory	“How Firm A Foundation”	Funk arr. Berry
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+Doxology, 606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below: Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+Prayer of Thanksgiving: Hymn # 634	“To God Be the Glory” (Verse 1)	To God Be the Glory
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+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.

Choral Hymn	“Abide with Me”	Eventide
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+Hymn # 727	“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” (Verses 1, 3, and 5)	The Servant Song
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+Charge and Blessing

Postlude	“God of Grace and God of Glory”	Hughes
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Praise Reports

Welcome Melissa McDuffie!

Prayer Concerns

Jon & Dorothy Fortman
Health Concerns

Allison L. Jones
(Scott Jones’ Mother)
Health Concerns

Sherean Harrington
(Hope Oakes Stepmother)
Health Concerns

Noah Russell Nagy
Continued Prayers

Simon Storer
(Friend of Lee Hackett)
Cancer Diagnosis

Toni Oakes
Prayer Requests

Hilda Nance
(Hillary Richardson’s Aunt)
Recovery from stroke

Wayne Bruchey
Health Concerns

Rowland Jennings
Health Concerns

Boyd Hardy
(Friend of the Gaskin Family)
Cancer Diagnosis

Alice Harris
(Friend of the Gaskin Family)
Cancer Diagnosis

The Allen Family
(Friend of Martha Jo Mims)
On the loss of James Allen

Peggy Barksdale
(Tracie Hanson’s Mom)
Continued Recovery

Gaines Gaskin
Recovery from broken shoulder

Please let the church office know if you have any praise reports or prayer concerns.

+ Indicates a time to stand as you are comfortable in doing so.

Please join in unison reading of the bold print.

THE CHURCH AT WORK

We welcome you to
First Presbyterian Church!

A **Nursery** is available in the Education Building for the youngest worshipers (birth - Kindergarten).

Restrooms are located on both floors in the Education Building. Follow the signs or ask a friendly face who will be happy to help you find anything you need.

Today

7th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m.

Admin/Finance Meeting

9:00 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal

9:45 a.m.

Sunday School

11:00 a.m.

Hymn Sing

Wednesday

12:30 p.m. Prayer Group

All Committee Meeting

Minutes due to the church office.

Thursday

5:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday

Loaves & Fishes

Volunteers Needed

Next Sunday

8th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m.

Session Meeting

9:00 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal

9:45 a.m.

Sunday School

11:00 a.m.

Communion Worship

Rev. Buren Blankenship

Congregational Meeting

following worship

(Election of Officer

Nominating Committee)

Session

Dr. Tom Richardson, Moderator, Pro-Tem

Hope DeVenney, Clerk of Session

Class of 2026

Maridith Geuder-1

Tori Pumphrey-4

Lezli Waits-4

Steve Wilkes-2

Class of 2027

Fran Brown-1

Marthalia Porter-1

Steve Porter-2

Susan Smith-2

Class of 2028

Hope DeVenney-4

Tom Hatcher-2

Anna Jones-4

Tom Richardson-3

Numbers beside names indicate Shepherding Group.

Diaconate

Class of 2026

Hope Oakes-3

Eric Waits-4

Sue Hatcher-2

Class of 2027

Lee Hackett-1

Mary Nelson-1

Class of 2028

Roger Burlingame-2

Holly Longton-3

Jennifer Mearkle-2

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Sunday, July 12, 2026 – Attendance: 43

Helping Hands Immediate Needs:

Boxed cereals, canned Chef Boyardee, and all canned vegetables.

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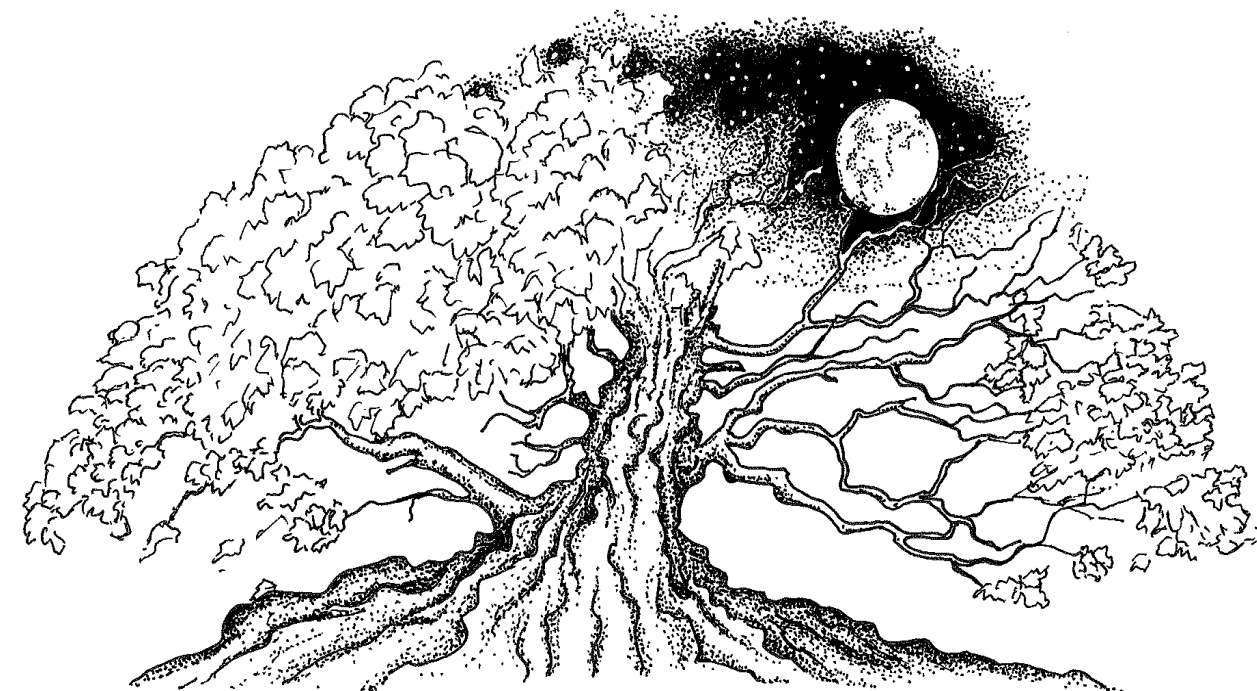
Director of Music: Alexander Nowell

Accompanist: Shirley Ellis

PCDP Director: Lezli Waits

Custodian: Rowland Jennings

First Presbyterian Church Columbus, Mississippi



In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1

Hymn Sing

July 12, 2026

