



First Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 28th, 2025



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Order of Worship

Prelude	<i>Concerto after Signor Vivaldi: I. Allegro; II. Adagio</i> Bruce Stevens, organ	Johann Gottfried Walther
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Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Josh Andrzejewski
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Introit	<i>The Ash Grove</i>	arr. Thormahlen/Jenkins Harps
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Come, let us praise the Lord. Alleluia!

*Call to Worship

One: Praise the Lord!

All: We will praise God all of our days.

Our hope is in the Lord our God

Let us worship the Lord!

*Hymn 667	"When Morning Gilds the Skies"	LAUDES DOMINI
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*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we are quick to lose sight of you. Though your presence is near, we don't always recognize it. We cling to what is familiar and safe, while neglecting your call to trust and follow. Forgive us, Lord. Open our eyes to see you in the ordinary and the unexpected, in strangers and friends. Restore in us a spirit of humility and compassion that we might walk by faith, serve with love, and live as witnesses to your amazing grace.

*Passing the Peace

Time for Young Disciples

*Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to Children's Chapel.
They may be picked up from the playground following worship.*

Hymn 451 (vv. 1 & 2)	"Open My Eyes, That I May See"	OPEN MY EYES
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Prayer for Illumination		Cate Jobe
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Scripture Reading	Luke 18:35-43	NT p. 77
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Sermon	"Live as if...You Are Ready to See"	
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***Please rise in body or in spirit.**

Anthem

“Come By Here”
Chancel Choir

arr. Uzee Brown, Jr

*Come by here, my Lord, come by here. O Lord, come by here.
Someone needs you, Lord...
Someone's praying, Lord...
Someone's crying, Lord...*

~ Traditional Negro Spiritual

*Affirmation of Faith (The Apostle's Creed)

Rev. Stephanie Hamilton

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.

Call to Generosity

Jason N. Brown

Offertory

The Water Is Wide

arr. Thormahlen/Jenkins Harps

*Doxology (Prayer of Thanksgiving)

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Stephanie Hamilton

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.

*Hymn 829

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

OLIVET

*Charge and Benediction

Cate Jobe

Postlude

Concerto after Signor Vivaldi: III. Allegro

Johann Gottfried Walther

FELLOWSHIP AT FIRST 

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7
12 NOON | FELLOWSHIP HALL

FEATURING:
Rev. Stephanie Hamilton



Learn a little more of her faith story and journey to FPC, ***Out of Many, One People.***



Use the QR Code or visit fpcrichmond.org/fatst to register

Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC)
NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS

The Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) asks that you consider who might be particularly suited to serve the church as Elders, Deacons, and At-Large members of the CNC in 2026 and beyond.

The CNC invites you to **make your nominations using the QR code or by going to fpcrichmond.org/cnc.**

Suggested nominees need to be FPC members who have been active in the church, and self-nominations are welcome. The period for suggested nominations is September 18 - October 18.



 **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

OCTOBER 5
11:45AM

LUNCH ON THE LOT

Join us in the church parking lot after morning worship on World Communion Day for food, fun, and fellowship!

Note: There will be NO evening worship or dinner



Visit fpcrichmond.org/give or scan the QR code to make a one-time gift or set up recurring gifts. Thank you for all the ways you give.

This week's usher team includes: Jim Purser, Madelyn Chewning, Becca Ott, Richard Ott, Stephanie Purser, Blanche Toms, Peter Toms
If interested in serving as an usher, contact Ken Horton (kmmmfour@aol.com)

Elders at the doors: Kathy Harris, Jim Irby, Jon Morris

Please keep in your prayers those with special concerns:

- Susan Anthony (*Jane Neer's sister*), favorable cancer treatments ongoing
- Bev Berwick (*Jim Berwick's mother*), health concerns
- Sarah Campbell (*Kit and Pat Campbell's daughter*), health concerns
- Julia Collier (*Bill and Carol Collier's daughter-in-law*), recovering from surgery
- Brian Finlay (*Neely Barnhardt's brother-in-law*), health concerns
- George Gretes, recovering from surgery
- Betty Harlan, health concern
- Cynthia Hintze, health concerns
- Barbara Mitchell (*Judy Noble's mother*), in hospice care
- Jane Neer, permanently in health care
- Jack Passmore (*Carol Collier's brother*), recovering from surgery
- Betty Proffitt (*Jenny Morris' mother*), health concerns
- Sandra Putbresi (*Cortland Putbresi's mother*), health concerns
- Karen Rohr, recovering from fall
- Liese Rohr, recovering from surgery
- Sharon Spencer, health concerns
- Amy Starr Redwine, health concerns

We pray for members and family serving in the military:

Tripp Bowles, Jenny Sigel Burkett, Toby Collins, Joshua Garber, Zach Kirk, Mason Louthan, Nathan Thomas Meade, Peyton Spivey, Pierce Tarry, and Will Watkins

How can we pray for you?

You can submit concerns and celebrations at fpcrichmond.org/prayer or let one of our pastors know.



Save the date to come walk with Amy's Circle of Strength. Light the Night is an annual Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (or LLS) event and its purpose is to raise funds for research to find cures for blood cancers, and to bring people together in community to honor those directly affected by blood cancers. This year's Richmond-area walk will be on Saturday, Nov. 1 at Innsbrook. Whether you can walk in person that day or simply be there in spirit, we'd love for you to join. Scan the QR code for more information.