



September 27, 2026
Service at 9:30 a.m.
Rev. Scott Phillips

Welcome to Worship

Bold: Congregational Response

Ushers: Pam Ephgrave, Con Schlinz, Ken & Rebecca Schlinz

Please complete the "Connection" insert and place it in the offering plate.

** Indicates points of the service where the Congregation stands in body or spirit.*

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHERING

Prelude arr. M. Nystrom, "As the Deer"

Bell Chorale

Welcome and Announcements

Kym Christensen

*** Call to Worship**

Rev. Scott Phillips

Leader: We come before God, who knows everything about us.

People: **We know our disguises always fail, so we lean into God's mercy.**

Leader: We set aside pride, fear, and excuses when God calls us into the light.

People: **We ask God to give us the courage to tell the truth about ourselves.**

Leader: Without fail, Christ meets us with forgiveness and calls us toward new life.

People: **Trust produces real change and humble grace.**

Leader: Come let us worship the God who knows us, loves us, forgives us, and resurrects us!

All: **Let us worship God!**

*** Opening Hymn #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory"**

RHONDDA

PREPARING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

* Prayer of Confession

God of all creation, you know us more completely than we can comprehend. But we still hide. We have heard that you care about us even when we do not love you. But we still pretend we do not need you. We doubt You, God, because our sight is limited. We step away from trust and service because it feels risky and burdensome. We are afraid to believe, afraid to be changed, and afraid to open ourselves to you and the world around us. Give us courage to follow your example in Christ. Remind us to give of ourselves and embrace the life you made us to live.

In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.

* Assurance of Forgiveness

* Sharing the Peace of Christ

* Response to Forgiveness #581 “Glory Be to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

Special Music

C. Onstead, “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Bell Chorale

RECEIVING GOD’S WORD ANEW

Scripture Reading

Exodus 17: 1-7

Philippians 2: 1-13

Rys Nielson

Time with Children

Kathie Douma

Presentation of Bibles to 3rd Graders

Sermon

“Stumbling Our Way Into Hope”

Anthem

S. Martin, “Nothing Gold Can Stay”

Text by Robert Frost

Sanctuary Choir

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Call for the Offering

Offertory

“You Are My All In All”

Praise Band

Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

*** Confession of Faith**

Adapted Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in the one triune God —

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit —

the source of life, hope, and salvation.

We trust in Jesus Christ,

fully human and fully divine,

who lived among us, died for us,

and was raised in power.

We trust in the Holy Spirit,

who gives us faith, sustains the Church,

and calls us to love and service.

We believe God calls us

to lives of compassion, justice, and reconciliation,

sharing Christ’s peace with the world.

We rejoice in God’s grace,

which is greater than our failures

and faithful through all generations.

To God be glory forever. Amen.

* Closing Song #175 "Seek Ye First"

LAFFERTY

* Benediction

Congregational Meeting

Postlude arr. M. Burkhardt, "O God Our Help in Ages Past" Dan Graber, Organ

Please join us in the Covenant Center for the congregational meal following worship.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Send prayer requests to: prayers@fpcsiouxfalls.org

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Judy & Skip Mulock request prayers for their friend Vera, whose husband, Henry, passed away.

Elliot Fifer asks for prayers for as he remains in treatment for another month and is going through some positive change.

Shirley & Mike McCallum asks for prayers for Michael as he is having a kidney biopsy on the 25th.

LaRae Elliott asks for prayers for a successful knee replacement surgery on 10/5 with a speedy recovery and minimal pain.

PLEASE ALSO CONTINUE TO KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Terry Keill's daughter; Angie & Gayle Nelson's daughter Deanna and granddaughter Ellie; Chris McCallum

Please remember to check the Connection/Welcome Room for the Sign-Ups Board to sign up for FPC Events



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First Presbyterian Church Calendar

9/27/26 – 10/4/26

Sunday – 9/27

FPC Sunday Worship – 9:30 (Sanctuary)

FPC Congregational Meeting – 10:30 (Sanctuary)

FPC Congregational Meal – 10:45 (Covenant Center/Gym,
Lower/Main Kitchen)

Monday—9/28

FPC Volunteers Meeting – 9:00 (Chapel)

FPC Women's Study Group – 11:00 (Rm 204)

FPC Men's Bible Study – 6:00 (Welcome Rm)

Tuesday—9/29

FPC Kingdom Kids – 8:30 (Covenant Center/Gym, 115)

FPC Staff Meeting – 8:45 (Rm 204)

FPC Bell Chorale Rehearsal – 9:45 (Bell Rm, Sanctuary)

FPC Bell Chorale Bible Study – 10:45 (Rm 206)

FPC Organ Practice – 11:00 (Sanctuary)

FPC Peaceworks – 1:00 (Rm 212)

FPC Worship Planning Mtg—1:30 (Rm 204)

FPC Pickleball – 7:00 (Covenant Center/Gym)

Wednesday—9/30

FPC Organ Practice – 3:00 (Sanctuary)

FPC Presbyouth – 5:30 (various rooms in church)

FPC Praise Band Rehearsal—6:00 (Sanctuary)

FPC Kids Club – 6:30 (Kid Min Rm)

FPC Choir Rehearsal – 7:30 (Choir Rm)

FPC Mom's – 8:00 (Welcome Rm)

Thursday—10/1

FPC Kingdom Kids – 8:30 (Covenant Center/Gym, 115)

FPC Worship Music Meeting – 9:00 (Rm 204)

FPC Peaceworks – 1:00 (Rm 212)

FPC PMT Meeting – 5:00 (Rm 204)

FPC Deacons Ministry Team Meeting – 5:30 (Lounge, Lounge Kitchen)

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FPC Fellowship Coffee – 10:30 (Chapel)

FPC Children Sunday School – 10:30 (Rm 108,109,110,111,112)

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