

# **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GRAPEVINE**

November 16, 2025

10:30 AM

23rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Everybody is welcome here.

Whoever and wherever you are on your life's journey, we see God in you. Come! This is a place for everyone\* who desires to hear and embrace the word of God. Because God welcomes all, we, too,

welcome everyone into the whole of our community. We respect each individual's identity and contributions. We affirm and nurture the worth of every person's journey.

\*"Everyone" and related pronouns = persons of every age, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic or family status, mental or physical abilities.

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME & GREETING**

The nursery is available for infants through pre-K. All children are invited, during worship, to the Pray Ground in the sanctuary and/or to use the activity bags available in the Narthex. We ask that parents sit in the area near the Pray Ground.

VISITORS: We are delighted that you have joined us today in worship and we encourage you to register your attendance by using your phone to scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin (under the Attendance heading) or to complete a Visitor's Card located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. Thank you and we hope to see you again.

Also, prayer cards will be collected during the first hymn.

MOMENT FOR PRESBYTERIAN NIGHT SHELTER  
Carol Slack

## **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 103)

*One: Bless the Lord, o my Soul,*

**ALL And all that is within me, bless his holy name.**

*One: Bless the Lord, o my Soul, and do not forget all his benefits,*

**ALL: Who forgives your iniquity, who crowns you  
with steadfast love and mercy.**

**\*HYMN 494**

*Hearts"*

*"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving*

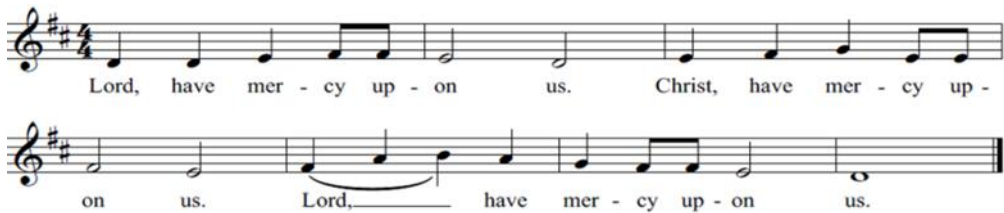
**QUEBEC**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**It is so hard to say, "we were wrong." It is only here,  
in the intimacy of prayer with a God who became  
vulnerable to us that we can dare to whisper in the  
divine ear: "We thought we were being kind. We  
thought we were being good, and righteous and  
following Your word. We thought we were saving  
souls." God of mercy, now we know: Judgment and  
salvation are your task, not ours.**

**(Silent Prayer)**



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## KYRIE ELEISON

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## \*THE PEACE

## \*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn #581)

**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, amen.**

# **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Brief

Statement of Faith, 10.1-2

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.**

**MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Alison Weaver

## 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.**

## WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

## CALL TO OFFERING

**OFFERTORY “*Our Life has Its Seasons*”     Allen Pote**

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Sanctuary Choir

Kelly Jones-Flute

## DOXOLOGY

**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**

## **WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**FIRST READING**    Psalm 103:1-22

**SECOND READING**            Luke 11:5-13

**SERMON**                            "The Friend at Midnight"  
Dr. Robert S. Crilley

## **WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD**

\*HYMN 629                    *"Jesus, the Very Thought of  
Thee"*                            ST. AGNES

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

\*Congregation will rise in body or in spirit.

Thanks to Barbara Nunn for serving as our liturgist.

## **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

The Session has called a congregation meeting for this Sunday, November 16, 2025, immediately following the worship service. The purpose of the meeting will be to act on recommendations from the nominating committee to elect our new church officers. For the Board of Session: Dr. Lucia Lary-Shipley, Shannon Pritchett, Deb Hinton, Rick Walsh, Karen Trost, Miles Davis (2 year term); for the Board of Deacons: Kim Jones, Kathy Longo, Sue Szendrey (1 year term), Shelly Morey (1 year term).

## **PIE SOCIAL**



Get our your apron, measuring cups and recipes. It's time to make a pie (or go to your local bakery) and bring it next Sunday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Pie Social following worship.

## **DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS**

On Saturday, November 29 beginning at 9:00, please join is for the decorating of the church. This a fun time for everyone and we need your help. Make this a part of your holiday planning.

### **STAYING CONNECTED**

Facebook - [facebook.com/fpcgv/org](https://facebook.com/fpcgv/org)

The Web – [fpcgv.org](https://fpcgv.org)

Instagram - @FPCGV

Twitter - @FPCGV

WIFI: FPGV-GUEST

Password – godslope

## **WAYS TO GIVE**

In Christ, God has showered us with grace upon grace. In gratitude, we now give back to God through our tithes and offerings. Monetary offerings may be given electronically or in the offering plate. To make a contribution electronically, please scan the QR code below.



## **ATTENDANCE**

- (1) Check in with a push of a button on your membership app.
- (2) Sign the friendship pad in the pew.
- (3) Scan the QR code below (on your mobile device) which will take you to a simple form.



## **UPCOMING WORSHIP AND EVENTS CALENDAR**

- Monday, November 17, 9:00 am, Finance Committee
- Tuesday, November 18, 10:00 am, Tuesday Book Club
- Tuesday, November 18, 7:00 pm, Session Meeting

- Wednesday, November 19, 7:45 am, Men's Bible Study
- Wednesday, November 19, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, November 20, 1:00 pm, Pastor Bob's Bible Class
- Thursday, November 20, 6:00 pm, Bell Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, November 20, 7:00 pm, Daughters of Abraham
- Thursday, November 20, 7:00 pm, Prayer Group (Zoom)

Link to these and more by scanning the QR code using the camera on your mobile device.





GRACE is planning to serve over 2,000 visits to the Pantry during the holiday months of November & December. Please help by donating the most needed items listed below:

### Shopping List

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|------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------|
| Canned Sweet Potatoes        | • | • | Instant or Canned Gravy   |
| Canned Fruit                 | • |   | (Please no glass jars)    |
| Canned Corn                  | • | • | Pancake Mix               |
| Instant Potatoes             | • | • | Syrup                     |
| Cranberry Sauce              | • | • | Boxed Macaroni & Cheese   |
| Canned Chicken Broth         | • | • | French Fried Onions (6oz) |
| Canned Mushroom Soup(10.5oz) | • | • | Jello (1 box)             |
| Sugar (2 or 5lb)             | • | • | Baking Powder             |
| Flour (2 or 4lb)             | • | • | Baking Soda               |
| Cooking Oil (160z to 24oz)   | • | • | Salt & Pepper             |

Please bring your items and place them in the cabinet marked GRACE by the office.