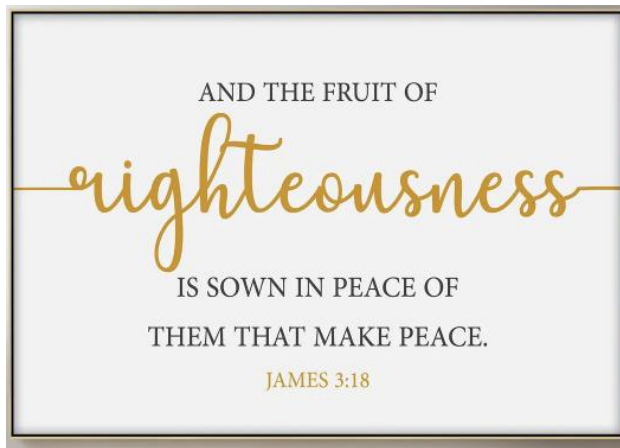


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GRAPEVINE

13TH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

August 23, 2026

10:30 AM



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 chosen to worship with us today! So that we might begin to be in a Christian relationship with you, we encourage you to register your attendance (1) by using your phone to scan the QR code below and provide your email, phone number, and/or home address, or (2) by completing a Visitor's Card located on the back of the pew in front of you and placing it in the offering plate. Thank you - we look forward to seeing you again soon!



QR Code for visitors

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

ASSISTED HEARING: Assisted hearing devices are available in the Sanctuary so that you can receive a live feed from the sound board right from your smartphone. Simply download the "ListenWifi" app from the App Store or the Google Play Store (for iPhones and Android phones, respectively). For assistance, Evan Hinton will be at the sound board at the rear of the Sanctuary.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God looks down from heaven to see who acts with wisdom and peace.

ALL: We come to seek the Lord and walk in His ways.

One: Let us put away hasty anger and the desire to repay evil with evil.

ALL: May God guide our hearts to do what is right and kind this day.

One: Let us worship the God who guides our steps.

*HYMN 753

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

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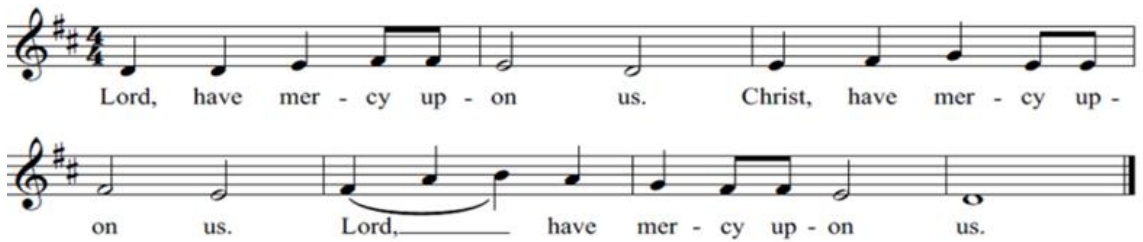
CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess that we often act out of hot anger and pride. Like Nabal, we can be harsh, selfish, and blind to the needs of others. Like David, we are quick to seek our own revenge when we feel wronged. We forget that vengeance belongs to You alone. Forgive us for our sharp words and our hard hearts. Grant us the wisdom of Abigail to listen, to humble ourselves, and to make peace. Cleanse our minds and lead us back to your grace.

(Silent Prayer)

KYRIE ELEISON



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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE PEACE

*HYMN 582 GLORY to GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES on ME

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B $\flat$ E $\flat$ B $\flat$ Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F $\sharp$) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

A Declaration of Faith, 10.1

In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, God kept his promises. All that we can ever hope for was present in Christ. But the work of God in Christ is not over. God calls us to hope for more than we have yet seen. The hope God gives us is ultimate confidence that supports us when lesser hopes fail us. In Christ God gives hope for a new heaven and earth, certainty of victory over death, assurance of mercy and judgment beyond death. This hope gives us courage for the present struggle. Amen.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rick Walsh

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

MOMENT FOR SMILES AND HEARTS

Jane Boyd

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Make a Joyful Noise"
Sanctuary Choir

Helgen

***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

James 3:13-18

SECOND READING

1 Samuel 25:2-38

SERMON

"Making Peace"

Dr. Robert S. Crilley

WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD

***HYMN 623**

"I've Got Peace like a River"

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***Congregation rises in body or in spirit.**

Thanks to Alison Brooks for serving as liturgist.



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Password – godslove

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 in the offering plate or electronically by scanning 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

- Wednesday, August 26, 7:45 am Men's Fellowship Group
- Wednesday, August 26, 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, August 27, 6:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal
- Thursday, August 27, 7:00 pm Prayer Group (Zoom)

Link to these and more by scanning the QR code using the camera on your mobile device or by checking your "Narthex News."





GAME NIGHT NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 4:30-6:00



GEARING UP FOR FALL

Pastor Bob's Thursday Bible Study Starts Back on September 10 at 1:00 PM

The Letter of James, 1st and 2nd Peter, and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John

The New Testament has 27 books ... 21 of them are letters ... and of those, 13 are credited to the Apostle Paul. This semester in Pastor Bob's Thursday Bible Study, we are going to consider six letters that are NOT written by Paul. The class meets at 1:00 pm every Thursday upstairs in the big classroom on the second floor (use the door on the ground level, next to the church office). All are welcome.

Adult Sunday School Class Starts Back on September 13 at 9:00 AM **Church History 101: A Genealogy of the Christian Family Tree**

If Christianity started out with one person--namely, Jesus Christ--how did we end up with so many different versions of it? What exactly is the difference between Roman Catholics and Protestants? Between Lutherans and Presbyterians and Methodists? The best way to answer these questions is to journey through church history and discuss how the different branches of the Christian family tree separated from one another ... and why. Come join us every Sunday morning at 9:00 am upstairs in the big classroom on the second floor. All are welcome.

LADIES TUESDAY MORNING STUDY GROUP

The ladies will begin a new book study on Tuesday, September 8 at 10:00 am. This semester the ladies will be reviewing a book entitled *The Abolitionist's Daughter* by Diane C. McPhail. The meeting rooms are 236/237 and all ladies are invited to attend.

SOMETHING NEW: Parents' Night Out Needs You!

We're looking for volunteers to join our Parents' Night Out Committee. Help us plan fun evenings for our church families! Contact Shannon Pritchett to join the fun: svancuren@gmail.com or 615-554-7083.