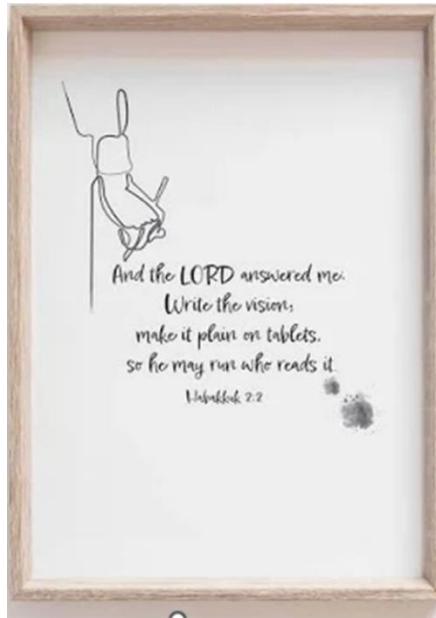


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GRAPEVINE

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

10:30 AM

16th 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 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Mark Hinton

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather together in this place where all are welcome,

ALL: Looking to You to relieve us of the burden of the weight of the world

One: As we listen, speak, and sing Your word,

ALL: Lift us up and help us to be the light of the world You intend us to be.

One: Let us prepare our hearts to worship God.

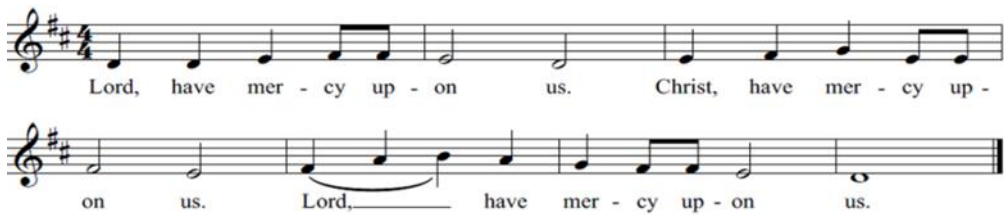
***HYMN 2 “Come Thou, Almighty King” ITALIAN
HYMN**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and everlasting God, thank You for Your many blessings. Week after week we receive Your forgiveness, yet week after week we fall short and continue to need it. You have called us the salt of the earth, but it is easy to become weary of the weight of the world and to feel that we have lost our saltiness. Help us to avoid feeling powerless, worthy only of being trampled underfoot, and to remember that, as the light of the world, each one of us is called to use our words and deeds to glorify You, our one true light.

(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)

(A Portion of the

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ. The Church nurtures and equips us for Christ's ministries. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Bob Mitchell

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 *“The Prayer of St. Francis”* Allen Pote
Kim Jones, Soloist
Sanctuary Choir

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

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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

Matthew 5:13-16

SECOND READING

Habakkuk 2:1-4

SERMON

“Billboards of Belief”

Dr.

Robert S. Crilley

WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD

*HYMN 418

“Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is
Calling”

SOFTLY AND

TENDERLY

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Congregation rise in body or in spirit.

Thanks to Jason Terk for serving as our liturgist.

STAYING CONNECTED

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Password – godslope

WAYS TO GIVE

ATTENDANCE

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.



(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

- **TODAY FROM 4:00 – 6:30 pm Retirement Party for Rick Walsh**
- Tuesday, September 29, 10:00 am, Tuesday Book Club
- Wednesday, September 30, 6:45 am, Men's Bible Study

- Wednesday, October 1, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, October 2, 1:00 pm, Pastor Bob's Bible Study
- Thursday, October 2, 6:00 pm, Handbell Rehearsal
- Thursday, October 2, 7:00 pm, Prayer Group (Zoom)

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



CELEBRATING RICK

We are excited to celebrate Rick Walsh's retirement
with you!



Sunday, September 28 (TODAY)



4:00–6:30 p.m.



Fellowship Hall

Join us for an evening of food, music, laughter, and gratitude as we honor Rick and Dee for their many years of making beautiful music with and for our church family.

What's planned:



Dessert Table — main food is provided, but please bring your favorite or signature dessert to share. Chocolate is Rick's favorite! If you'd like, bring a copy of your recipe so others can snap a photo.



Live Music — by the Presby Jazzers (Fred Mills, Gia Choi, Sawyer Lowe, and Ben Noel) with guest vocals from our choir.



Gift & Card Presentation — a special moment to show our love and appreciation to Rick and Dee.

GRACE NEEDS

GRACE is running short of some items. If you can supply these, please bring them to the box by the office.

Mayo

Ketchup, Mustard, etc.

Cooking Oil

Pasta and Sauce

Paper Towels

Diapers, sizes 5 and up

Baby Wipes

Shampoo

Adult Wipes (Flushable)