

# First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Robert Malsack, Interim Pastor

12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 31, 2025

Greeting: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**Response: And also with you.**

Announcements

*Praise the Almighty King*

No. 7

\*Praise Medley

No. 8-10

Prayer of Confession: *(adapted from Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16)*

We are created to love one another and to be always open to people we have not met. *(vs. 1-2)*

**Lord, have mercy. (silence)**

In Christ, God shared our pain, let us share the pain of others. *(v. 3b)*

**Lord, have mercy. (silence)**

God has given to humanity the gift of the covenant of marriage, let us honor the sanctity of marriage and be completely devoted to our spouse. *(v. 4)*

**Lord, have mercy. (silence)**

It is the Lord who will provide for us, let us not be obsessed with having more but be content with what we have for we can trust in God. *(v. 5)*

**Lord, have mercy. (silence)**

A fulfilling life is found in desiring all that is good and giving of our self in every way. *(v. 16)*

**Lord, have mercy. (silence)**

Response: **Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me,**

**fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Dearly beloved, hear and believe the good news

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen. Alleluia!**

\*Gloria Patri (Avery & Marsh):

**Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and the Holy Ghost.**

**As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end.**

**Amen. A-men. A-men. A-men. A-men. A-men. A---men. Amen!**

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Time with Young Disciples

Special Music: *The Gift of Love* (H. Hopson)

Crystal Hogan

Prayer for Illumination

Adeline Holsworth

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 25:6-7

Pg. 547, Pew Bible

Responsive Reading: Psalm 112

Pg. 509, Pew Bible

Sermon Text: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Pg. 873, Pew Bible

Sermon: *The Virtue of Humility*

\*Hymn: *Create in Me a Pure Heart*

No. 652-655

\*Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

**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.**

INTERCESSIONS / PRAYER CONCERNS:

Theresa Ozzello, Joy Palzewic, Phil Peterson, Scott Spooner, Jon LaCourt, Holly Werner, Mary Rushford, Scott Doda, Kathy Eavenson, Chris Hanley, Bonnie Hyde, Anne Starr; the PNC; missionaries, Sam and Cayla

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.**

The Offering

Offertory

**\*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**\*Hymn: *Be Thou My Vision***

No. 562

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Response:**

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory.**

**Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.**

**Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.**

**Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.**

**\*Postlude**

**\*Those who are able, please stand.**

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### **CHURCH NOTES**

**Monday:** Labor Day – No Soup Kitchen

**Tuesday:** 1:00p.m. Shawl Ministry

**Thursday:** 9:30a.m. Sit, Chat, Finish That

**\*Sunday\*:** **9:30a.m. Worship** (*September 7<sup>th</sup>*)

**\*\*\*Sunday Worship at 9:30a.m. begins NEXT Sunday!\*\*\***

Beginning next Sunday, the 7<sup>th</sup>, we go back to 9:30a.m. worship and we also go back to serving sweet breads afterward. BUT... our freezer is empty so feel free to bake and drop off your sweet breads or just bring them on any given Sunday morning!

### **CHURCH NOTES cont.**

**Sunday Conversations:** Also beginning next Sunday, everyone is invited to join Cliff Smith on Sunday mornings at 8:45a.m. in the chapel for coffee and discussions focusing on recent sermons, ethics, Scripture, and today's challenges in living out our faith.

***The Chosen:*** A study of Season 4 of *The Chosen* will be led by Steve Kaad in September. Meet in the chapel after worship this morning if you'd like to help pick a date and time.

### **Outside Work Bee: September 18<sup>th</sup>**

Another outside work bee to finish pulling the weeds and to remove the rest of the lava rock will be held on Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the Fireside Room or contact Susan Strang at 906-282-3975 or Pete Anderson at 906-396-8156.

### **Reflections with Pastor Bob Resumes on September 10<sup>th</sup>:**

Beginning September 10<sup>th</sup> *Reflections* will meet every Wednesday at 10:00a.m. in the Fireside Room to study scripture passages for the upcoming Sunday worship service. Everyone is invited to attend this weekly study even if you haven't done so in the past.

**Adult Choir:** Wednesday rehearsals will begin on September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.m. in the Choir Room. If you would like to join the Choir contact John Allard at 906-396-8745 or just show up on the 10<sup>th</sup>!

### **Celebrating Pastor Bob on 50 years of Ministry!**

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Session is planning a breakfast celebration following worship that day to celebrate Pastor Bob's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination. Call the office if you'd like to volunteer to help with this very special event!

### **Wednesday Youth Programs begin September 10<sup>th</sup>.**

Register your children for the Wednesday programs – there are forms on the table in the Fireside Room or go on the website.

**Ushers:** Paul Balmes, Joe and Lulu Floriano, Louise Swope