

Welcome

Prelude

Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

Call to Worship

Leader: We come, because we seek our God.

People: Every morning, every day, every evening, every moment, God is with us.

Leader: We come, because we hunger for Christ.

People: Jesus will feed us with hope, will replace our emptiness with grace.

Leader: We come, because we thirst for the spirit.

People: Who fills our yearning for peace, who ends the drought of justice.

Opening Hymn* *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*, Lyrics on Monitor - verses 1, 3, 5

Prayer of Confession* (Responsive)

Leader: The thirsty come

People: and we offer lead-filled water;

Leader: the hungry come,

People: and we offer a single can from our overflowing pantries;

Leader: the lonely come,

People: and we cling to our cliques;

Leader: the broken come,

People: and we hand them an aspirin;

Leader: the needy come,

People: but we have wasted everything on stuff we do not need.

Leader: Have mercy on us, Steadfast love, and pour your heart into our grace-parched souls. As you have been with us in every moment, may we go to be with all around us.

May we listen to the needs and hearts of others, even as you lean down to listen to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Silent Reflection*

Assurance of Pardon*

One: Friends in every moment, God seeks what is best for us, Continually offering us peace, hope, and forgiveness.

All: God blesses us in every moment.

One: Friends believe the Good news of the Gospel we are forgiven!

Gloria Patri*

Glory Be to the Father, Red Hymnal No. 623

Children's Time

Zayda Bruss

Scripture

Luke 13:6-9, Page 1620

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Chancel Choir Anthem

My God Will Always Be Enough, Sung by Chesley Jones

Sermon

The Possibility of Figs, Rev. Dale Jackson

Profession of Faith*

The Apostle's Creed, Red Hymnal, inside back cover

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

Hymn*

Be Thou My Vision, Red Hymnal No. 382

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offertory Meditation

Each of us is a fragile miracle, evidence of God's creative hands, an amazing grace. We are each unique, unrepeatable gifts to the world. We are proof of God's love. And so we, who are the gifts of creation, now give gifts to our Creator. Gifts brought in love.

Amen

Doxology*

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Great Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution – Breaking of Bread
Communion of the People
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of Dedication*

Closing Hymn* *Hear the Good News of Salvation*, Lyrics on Monitor

Benediction*

Postlude

*Those who are comfortable will please stand.

Announcements

Traveling Day Camp is June 15-19 - Sign up to help with food Camp is full again this year. If you would like to help or if you have a teenager who would be willing to help, please contact Marsha Cooper or Robin Tropansky.

Childcare is always available in the nursery (off the hall to the west of the sanctuary). Children are welcome to stay in the sanctuary through the whole service, or to leave at any time. Allison Perry is our primary childcare attendant.

Worship Bags for Children are available outside the north door to the sanctuary. Choose books, crayons, pencils, Legos, stuffed toys and other items to fill your bag to use during worship.

Fair Trade Products for Sale on Sundays. Coffee, tea, chocolate, nuts, olive oil, dried fruit, baking products, and a few other items are for sale each Sunday at church.

Joy Closet - Our mission center thrift store provides free clothing to a variety of needs. Our church provides all volunteers on the fourth Saturday of each month.

YABS - Young Adult Bible Study 18-25 yrs Sundays 3:00 p.m. Join us. Invite a friend.
Youngadultbiblestudy47@gmail.com.

Mission Pillar Hygiene Kits Packing Party at Heart to Heart International - Saturday June 27.
To contribute, mark your donations "Mission Kits."



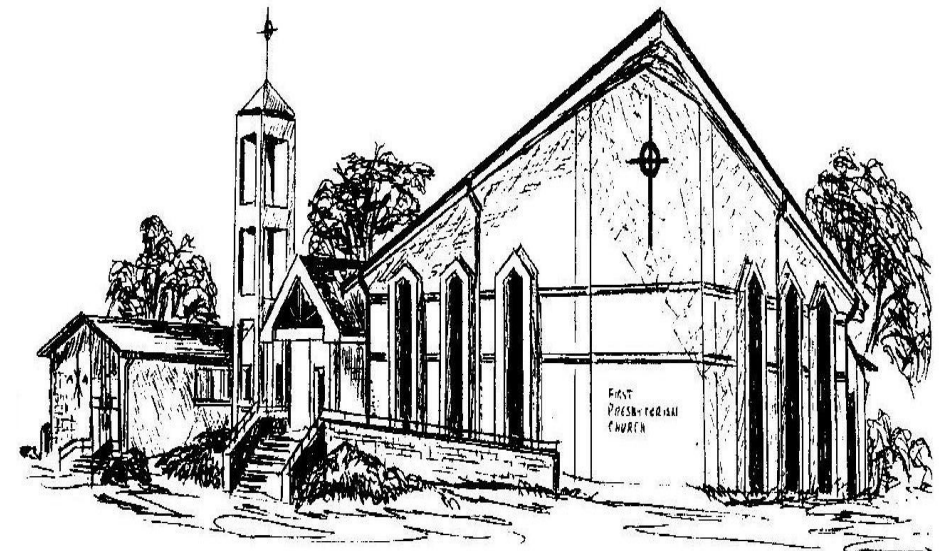
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Sunday, June 7, 2026

10:00 AM



*Rev. Dale Jackson, Pastor; Robyn Forkner, Worship Assistant
Chancel Choir; Dean Faulk, Music Ministries
Robyn Forkner, Pianist; Harlan Plunkett, Organist
Mike McGuire and Brad Cornell, Slide Production; Kim Liu, Sound*