

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY 8:30 A.M. AUGUST 3, 2025

Good morning, First Pres! It is so good to be together today.

Whether you've been here for years or you're joining us for the first time, this is a place where you are welcome—you've found a place where we see lives transformed in the power of Christ, shaping believers into Christian disciples who proclaim the light of the gospel and demonstrate the life of Jesus in our city and beyond.

NEW HERE? If today is your first time with us, we want to meet you! Please fill out a New Here card, which you can find in the seat pocket in front of you. Whether you're looking for community, a place to serve, or just have questions about what it means to follow Jesus, we're here to walk that journey with you. Stop by the Welcome Center in the Plaza to ask questions or take next steps to get connected.

LIGHT + LIFE for the CITY

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PRELUDE

Redeemed

Arranger: David Winkler and Ed Hogan

INTROIT

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Chris Owenby, director

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. John Goodale

HYMN OF PRAISE

For the Beauty of the Earth | No. 40

DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS & PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell

SONG OF ADORATION

We Fall Down

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Rev. Dr. Eunice McGarrahan

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Arranger: Gilbert Martin

SERMON

There is Gentleness | Luke 12:22-34

Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S

SUPPER

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of Response/The Lord's Prayer

CLOSING HYMN

Refiner's Fire | No. 374

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Arranger: Michael Lawrence and Ed Hogan

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom" Luke 12:32

READ AHEAD!

Next week, Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell will preach a message titled There Is Self-Control, from Luke 22:39-51

NEED PRAYER?

- Find a pastor or Prayer Team member with a large red lanyard
- Fill out a Prayer Request card located in a pew pocket or in the Narthex.
- Email prayer@firstprescos.org

Sign up for weekly emails to stay in the loop with everything happening at First Pres. Choose what emails you'd like to recieve and subcribe to our bi-weekly podcast at

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MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:

Ellen Broughton

Monday, August 4 at 1:30 p.m.

To see upcoming memorials, go to

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PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL:

Susan Bussard - Penrose Main Bob Weyant - Memorial Central Diana Buckler - Memorial Central Judi Lee - Memorial Central

Please contact the church if you or another member are hospitalized.

FLOWER FUND GIFTS IN MEMORY OF:

John Boyles

by Linda Boyles, Sara & Jason Bibler, Aaron & Andrea Boyles

Phil Perry

by Gladys Perry

Adelaide Grace Rowell

by Jonathan, Lara, Weber, Graedon and Nana

LuAnn Peterson

by Wally Peterson & family

Maxine Townsend & Krissy Jackson

by Kelly Townsend

COMMUNION SUNDAY

Every Communion Sunday, our congregation is invited to give to the Deacon Fund, which supports individuals facing hardship and helps fund various care ministries for those in need. Envelopes are available in the pew racks, or you may designate your gift for the Deacon Fund.



PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT IS OPEN!

Enrollment is now open for the 2025-2026 school year at First Pres Preschool. If you're looking for a Christ-centered, nurturing environment where your child can grow in confidence, curiosity, and faith, we would love to welcome your family. Classes fill quickly, so we encourage you to apply soon and take the next step toward an amazing preschool experience.

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WOMEN'S EVENTS IN AUGUST

Women of First Pres: Join us August 4 for a creative Visio Divina, then come to a family-friendly picnic at Nancy Lewis Park on August 14 at 11 a.m. Bring lunch, a dessert, and a chair!

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ELDER + DEACON NOMINATIONS

If you know someone who would be a great fit for the role of elder or deacon, nomination forms are available at the Welcome Desk or online. Be part of shaping our church leadership by filling one out today.

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WELCOME CENTER UPDATES

First Pres welcomes people from all walks of life, and we remain committed to extending Christ's love with both hospitality and care. Beginning August 4, a new Welcome Center check-in process will begin in order to ensure the safety of our staff, congregation, and preschools.



ALL CHURCH PICNIC

Join us for a church-wide picnic on Wednesday, August 27 in the plaza! Food will be provided and all ages are welcome. More details coming soon.

