

Worship at First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 7, 2025 at 10 am

*"Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness." (Psalms 29:2)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

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HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness;
Opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You.

*Here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely,
Altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.*

King of all days, oh, so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly You came to the earth You created,
All for love's sake, became poor. *[Refrain]*

I'll never know how much it cost,
To see my sin upon that cross;
I'll never know how much it cost,
To see my sin upon that cross. *[Refrain]*

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Altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAYERS FOR THE CONGREGATION AND THE WORLD

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD,
all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God!

**It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

**Come, let us bow down in worship,
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;
for he is our God
and we are the people of his pasture,
the flock under his care.**

Let us exalt God's name together!

Psalm 100; Psalm 95:6-7.

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HYMN #139: COME THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Come, Thou Almighty King,
Help us Thy name to sing, Help us to praise:
Father, all-glorious, O'er all victorious,
Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on Thy mighty sword, Our prayer attend:
Come, and Thy people bless, And give Thy word success;
Spirit of holiness, On us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour:
Thou who almighty art, Now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

To Thee, great One in Three,
The highest praises be, Hence evermore!
Thy sovereign majesty May we in glory see,
And to eternity Love and adore.

CHOIR: ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

READING AND PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

Sermon: *"Worship the Lord Your God"*

1 Chronicles 16:7-15, 23-36

On that day David gave to Asaph and his fellow Levites this song of thanksgiving to the LORD:

⁸ Give thanks to the LORD and proclaim his greatness.
Let the whole world know what he has done.

⁹ Sing to him; yes, sing his praises.
Tell everyone about his wonderful deeds.

- ¹⁰ Exult in his holy name;
rejoice, you who worship the LORD.
- ¹¹ Search for the LORD and for his strength;
continually seek him.
- ¹² Remember the wonders he has performed,
his miracles, and the rulings he has given,
- ¹³ you children of his servant Israel,
you descendants of Jacob, his chosen ones.
- ¹⁴ He is the LORD our God.
His justice is seen throughout the land.
- ¹⁵ Remember his covenant forever—
the commitment he made to a thousand generations. . . .
- ²³ Let the whole earth sing to the LORD!
Each day proclaim the good news that he saves.
- ²⁴ Publish his glorious deeds among the nations.
Tell everyone about the amazing things he does.
- ²⁵ Great is the LORD! He is most worthy of praise!
He is to be feared above all gods.
- ²⁶ The gods of other nations are mere idols,
but the LORD made the heavens!
- ²⁷ Honor and majesty surround him;
strength and joy fill his dwelling.
- ²⁸ O nations of the world, recognize the LORD,
recognize that the LORD is glorious and strong.
- ²⁹ Give to the LORD the glory he deserves!
Bring your offering and come into his presence.
- Worship the LORD in all his holy splendor.
³⁰ Let all the earth tremble before him.
The world stands firm and cannot be shaken.
- ³¹ Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice!
Tell all the nations, "The LORD reigns!"
- ³² Let the sea and everything in it shout his praise!
Let the fields and their crops burst out with joy!
- ³³ Let the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD,
for he is coming to judge the earth.
- ³⁴ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good!
His faithful love endures forever.
- ³⁵ Cry out, "Save us, O God of our salvation!
Gather and rescue us from among the nations,
so we can thank your holy name
and rejoice and praise you."

³⁶ Praise the LORD, the God of Israel,
who lives from everlasting to everlasting!

And all the people shouted "Amen!" and praised the LORD.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

*The metal basket in the offering plate is for gifts to support
our deacons' provision of care, support, and financial assistance to those in need.*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Our practice is to eat the bread individually as it is distributed,
and to hold onto the cup until all have received it, and then partake of it in unison.*

Our communion bread is gluten-free.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Passing the Peace: "May the peace of Christ be with you"

Communion

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
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 sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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HERE IS LOVE, VAST AS THE OCEAN

Here is love vast as the ocean,
Loving kindness as the flood;
When the Prince of Life, our ransom,
Shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing His praise?
He will never be forgotten,
Throughout heaven's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion,
Fountains opened deep and wide,
Through the floodgates of God's mercy,
Flowed a vast and gracious tide;

Grace and love like mighty rivers
Poured incessant from above,
Heaven's peace and perfect justice
Kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me all your love accepting,
Love you ever, all my days;
Let me seek your kingdom only
And my life be to your praise;
You alone will be my glory,
Nothing in the world I see;
You have cleansed and sanctified me,
You have loved and set me free.

In your truth you will direct me
By your Spirit, thru' your Word;
And your grace my need is meeting,
As I trust in you, my Lord.
All your fulness you are pouring
From your endless wells above,
Without measure, full and boundless
As I yield myself in love.

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

CALENDAR

TODAY	Choir Practice (9:00 in the Parlor) Sunday Worship with Communion (10:00 in the Sanctuary)
Tuesday, Sept. 9	Tuesday Crew (9:00–11:30)
Wednesday, Sept. 10	Quilting Group (10:30–2:30)
Thursday, Sept. 11	Session (7:00 pm)
Saturday, Sept. 13	<i>Creation Station postponed one week (Saturday, September 20)</i>
Sunday, Sept. 14	Sunday Worship (10:00 in the Sanctuary) Potluck (after the service)
LOOKING AHEAD	September 20: Creation Station (11:00–1:00) October 25: Spaghetti Dinner/Craft Fair Fundraiser for Homeless Ministries

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