

# *Worship at First Presbyterian Church*

*Sunday, July 26, 2026 at 10 am*

*"Suddenly, two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared and began talking with Jesus.  
Peter and the others . . . saw Jesus' glory and the two men standing with him." (Luke 9:30-32)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

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## *BEHOLD WHAT MANNER OF LOVE*

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Behold what manner of love  
The Father has given unto us;  
Behold what manner of love  
The Father has given unto us:

That we should be called  
The children of God;  
That we should be called  
The children of God.

*(Sing through twice)*

*"Behold What Manner of Love" by Patricia Van Tine.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, PASSING THE PEACE, PRAYERS FOR THE CONGREGATION

## *CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)*

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Jesus said,

*"This is eternal life:*

*to know the only true God,  
and Jesus Christ whom he has sent."*

Eternal life is more than endless years.  
It is life lived in fellowship with God.

Today we come to enter more deeply  
into the eternal life Christ has already given us.

We gather to hear God's voice,  
to answer with praise,  
to receive grace,  
and to be renewed by the Holy Spirit.

The God we worship today  
is the God who will welcome us beyond death.

The Savior who calls us today  
is the One who will raise us up on the last day.

So let us worship with joyful confidence,  
for the life of God's kingdom has already begun among us.

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# *10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)*

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*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,  
Worship His holy name;  
Sing like never before, O my soul,  
I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning;  
It's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes. *[Refrain]*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger;  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing;  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *[Refrain]*

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near and my time has come;  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,  
Worship His holy name;  
Sing like never before, O my soul,  
I'll worship Your holy name.*

*Worship Your holy name,  
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.*

"10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)" by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman.  
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## PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(You are invited to join in unison with the pastor, or to follow along in silence)*

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Gracious Father,  
your Son has taught us that eternal life is to know you,  
the only true God,  
and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

Yet we confess that we often seek life elsewhere.

We devote ourselves to success,  
comfort,  
security,  
or the approval of others.

We become so occupied with the demands of today  
that we lose sight of the life that endures forever.

Forgive us for trusting what cannot satisfy.  
Forgive us for fearing what Christ has already overcome.

Forgive us for our sins,  
both those known only to you  
and those we know too well ourselves.

Draw us again into your presence.  
 Deepen our fellowship with you,  
 that we may live each day as citizens of your coming kingdom.  
 In Jesus' name. Amen.

*After corporate prayer we will have a few moments of silence for personal confession.*

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#### HYMN #341: *BLESSED ASSURANCE*

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Blessed assurance: Jesus is mine!  
 O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
 Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

*This is my story, this is my song,  
 Praising my Savior all the day long;  
 This is my story, this is my song,  
 Praising my Savior all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
 Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
 Angels, descending, bring from above  
 Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *[Refrain]*

Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
 I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
 Watching and waiting, looking above,  
 filled with His goodness, lost in His love. *[Refrain]*

#### READING AND PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

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Sermon: *"The Grand Reunion: Death, Resurrection, and the People We Love"*

Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and led them up a high mountain to be alone. As the men watched, Jesus' appearance was transformed, <sup>3</sup> and his clothes became dazzling white, far whiter than any earthly bleach could ever make them. <sup>4</sup> Then Elijah and Moses appeared and began talking with Jesus.

<sup>5</sup> Peter exclaimed, "Rabbi, it's wonderful for us to be here! Let's make three shelters as memorials—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup> He said this because he didn't really know what else to say, for they were all terrified.

<sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my dearly loved Son. Listen to him." <sup>8</sup> Suddenly, when they looked around, Moses and Elijah were gone, and they saw only Jesus with them.

<sup>9</sup> As they went back down the mountain, he told them not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. <sup>10</sup> So they kept it to themselves, but they often asked each other what he meant by "rising from the dead."

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

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*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.*

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### DOXOLOGY

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *AND* THE LORD'S PRAYER

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### HYMN #526: *FOR ALL THE SAINTS*

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For all the saints, who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

## CALENDAR

|                    |                                                                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TODAY              | Sunday Worship (10:00 in the Sanctuary)                               |
| Tuesday, July 28   | Tuesday Crew (9:00–11:30)                                             |
| Wednesday, July 29 | Quilting Group (10:30–2:30)                                           |
| Sunday, August 2   | Sunday Worship with Communion (10:00 in the Sanctuary)                |
| LOOKING AHEAD      | August 4:<br>National Night Out BBQ (6:00–7:30)                       |
|                    | August 12 and 26:<br>Wednesday night Summer Lawn Concerts (6:30–8:00) |

We have hearing assistance device/headphones for those who could use a bit of a “volume boost” during the services. You will find them in a drawer, in the table where you pick up your bulletin. If you need help finding them, ask!

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