

Sunday July 20, 2025

Mary, Martha, and Jesus



*Welcome to First Presbyterian Church! We are glad you have joined us to worship God together.
Check out our upcoming events on the back of this page.*

Bells of God's Presence

Prelude

"Jesus Loves Me/Jesus Loves the Little Children"

arr. Jason D. Payne

Welcome to Worship!

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*Hymn of Praise #12

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful Savior, you stand beside us, yet we prefer to stand on our own.

You choose us, yet we choose worry.

You attend to us, yet we attend to our work.

Forgive us, gentle Teacher.

**Call us by name and visit us once more that we might find at your feet our joy,
our purpose, and our hope...**

Moment for Silent Confession

*Words of Forgiveness

Leader: The Peace of Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Time with Young Disciples

Scripture

Luke 10:38-42

Sermon

"Come and Sit..."

Anthem of Response

"River in Judea"

John Leavitt

Agnese Goin, Tammie Davis, Roger Goin, Jim Amstutz

Personal Reflection by Kellan Good

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offering Invitation

Offerings can be given online, placed in the offering plate, or mailed to the church. Online giving QR Code:



Affirmation Litany

Leader: In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming,
the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong.

**People: The church follows this pattern in the form of its life
and in the method of its action. So, to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.**

~Adapted from the Confession of 1967

- *Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
 - *Prayer of Dedication
 - *Hymn of Sending #700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"
 - *Blessing
 - *Go forth in peace... "Spirit of the Living God"
 - *Bells of God's Calling
 - *Please rise in body or in spirit
- ~Liturgy used and adapted from Call to Worship.*

Serving Today

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY:
Russ Pearson and Amy Smith

GREETERS & USHERS: Gerry Mayberry and Don Thompson
SOUND: Gary Hallen
FLOWER DELIVERY: Debra Smith

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE DEDICATED
 TO THE GLORY OF GOD**
 and in loving memory of my husband, Lynn Deakins,
 by Ella Deakins.

Prayer List

Christian Sympathy: The Congregation extends Christian Sympathy to the family of Carole Ann Miller (mother of Steve Miller) upon her death on July 7, 2025, in Bluff City, TN.

Prayer Families of the Week: Judy Cox; Jeff, Donna, Rebecca and Laura Quillen; Linda Cradic; and MaryGail Py.

Potluck Lunch

A potluck lunch will be held after the 10:00 a.m. service on **Sunday, July 27** in the Fellowship Center. The CF&N Committee will provide chicken fingers. Bring anything else you like to the Fellowship Center kitchen as early as 9:30 a.m. Reservations are due **by Tuesday, July 22** (call or e-mail Vickie at the church office). There is also a sign-up sheet in the foyer. Join us for a great time of food and fellowship!

Dinner at the Kitchen at Grace Meadows

Let's get together and go to dinner at the Kitchen at Grace Meadows on **Thursday, July 24**. Meet at church at 4:30 p.m. Contact Barbara Foust at (423) 306-6514.

PC Endowment Advisor Update

FPC Endowment Committee members: Claudia Byrd, Barbara McCary, Mike Wilkins, Rebecca Combs, Nic Clemmer, Mary Glenn Lively, Steve Miller and Gary Tucker will now be working with Matthew Crowder, Joanne Bear and Angela Davis of ECU Asset Management. If you are interested in making a contribution to the FPC Endowment, please contact one of the Endowment Committee members. Securities and advisory services are offered through LPL Financial (LPL), a registered investment advisor and broker/dealer.

Birthdays This Week

July 20: Ashley Hobbs, Mason King
July 21: Beckett Arrowsmith
July 22: Karen Thompson, Charlie Babb, Caroline Pearson
July 23: Katrinka Quillen
July 24: Greg Francisco
July 25: Steve Arthur, Jennie Benton, Diana Johnson-Martin
July 26: William Thomidis

- *NOTE: Please be aware this worship service is live streamed and recorded on Facebook and YouTube.*