Welcome to First Presbyterian Church August 24th 10:30am Sanctuary Worship

We are glad you have joined us to worship God together

Leading Worship Today

Amy Smith, Rev. Dr. Mike Shelton, and Rev. Russ Pearson

*Please rise in body or in spirit

Bells of God's Presence

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

arr., Jason D. Payne

Welcome to Worship!

Lord Prepare me, to be a Sanctuary; Pure and Holy, Tried and True; With Thanksgiving, I'll be a living, Sanctuary, for You

MINUTE FOR MISSION ~ 5 Cents a Meal

INVOCATION

*Hymn of Praise no. 1

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

Invitation and Confession

Have mercy upon us, O God, for sin clings so closely and its burden is great. Because of sin, our hands are at our sides when they should reach out to others; our knees are shaky when we should be standing firm. We are victims of our own misdeeds; we cannot escape sins weight on our lives. Through Christ's intercession, lift the burden from us, and help us run the race before us in freedom and strength.

SACRED SILENCE

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

*Holy Interruption: An intentional time to share the peace and fellowship of Christ

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SCRIPTURE READINGS

New Testament Reading: Philippians 1: 15-26

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5: 1-12

MESSAGE "Make Your Life Memorable, not Miserable" Rev. Dr. Mike Shelton

"Amazing Grace" SPIRITUAL RESPONSE arr., Dan Coates

Chancel Choir

Agnese Goin, Soprano descant

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Hymn of Sending No. 2085 "He Came Down"

*Blessing

*Go Forth in Peace #543 "O Christ Surround Me"

(verse 4)

Opportunities for Connection

Interested in baptism or becoming a member of First Presbyterian Church? Let us know! Talk to one of our pastors or call the church 423-245-0104.

Prayer List

We offer our Christian love and sympathy to the family of **Elizabeth "Betty" Dickson**, upon her death on August 18, 2025, Kingsport, TN.

Offering Invitation

Tithes and Offerings can be given online, placed in the offering plate as you leave or mailed to the church.



The Chancel Flowers are Dedicated to the Glory of God

and in loving memory of Ben, Katherine and Katie Brown and presented by Allen and Becca Wright.

Sound

Dan Dietrich

Flower Delivery

Tonya McInturff

Greeters and Ushers

Paul, Debra and Troy Smith

Five Cents-A-Meal Offering

The Five Cents-A-Meal offering will be received today. Donations may be dropped in the basket on the altar steps during the "Hymn of Sending" for the Sanctuary service. The Oasis of Kingsport will receive 50% of today's Five-Cents-A-Meal collection.

All Youth Fall Kickoff

All Youth Fall Kickoff (6th grade and up!) with a Presbytery Skating Event in Johnson City today. We will meet at 3:00 p.m. in the church parking lot. We will be back around 6:45 p.m.

Storytelling Trip to Jonesborough

Five tickets are still available for the storytelling trip to see Andy Offutt Irwin on **August 28.** We will be leaving the church at 1:00 p.m. and the cost is \$10.00 per person. Notify Barbara Foust at 423-306-6514 as soon as possible if you wish to go.

Wednesday Nights Beginning in September

Our first Church Night Supper after the summer break will be on **September 3**. We will have an Olive Garden Italian meal. After dinner we will have a Vespers service at 6:20 p.m. in the Fellowship Center.

Combined Worship

We will have one combined worship service on **Sunday**, **September 14** at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary to be followed by Mike's farewell reception. Please join us for Mike's final Sunday at First Presbyterian.

Birthdays and Prayers of the Week

August 24: Lillie Ward

August 25: Brad Pendleton

August 26: Langley Brents

August 28: Grant Wilkins, Sam Booher

August 29: Ella Miller, Cindy Sharitt, Chris Haynes, Nolan King

August 30: Joy McConnell

August 31: Bill Bovender

Please be aware the 10:30 a.m. service is live streamed and recorded on Facebook and YouTube.

WIFI Network: FPCK-GUEST Password: Genesis1:3-4