

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

September 7th 10:30am Sanctuary Worship

We are glad you have joined us to worship God together.



Leading Worship Today

Amy Smith, Mark Plemmons, and Rev. Dr. Mike Shelton

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

BELLS OF GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE "Toccata on 'The God of Abraham Praise'"

Joel Raney

WELCOME AND PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Holy God, we are awed by your power, humbled by your mystery, and astounded by your glory.

**People: We place ourselves in your presence this hour that you may speak
and impart your wisdom and your will to us.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 43

"You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

INVITATION AND CONFESSION

Our God, forgive us for failing to understand and accept the great demands placed upon us by your love. We enlist in your causes but find ourselves losing interest. We promise to be courageous but find ourselves afraid. We want to be sensitive but find ourselves hard and callous. Forgive us; take our limitations and turn them into possibilities for service. Have mercy on us and grant us your peace.

SACRED SILENCE

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

*HOLY INTERRUPTION ~ *An intentional time to share the peace and fellowship of Jesus Christ.*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading: *Deuteronomy 30: 11-20*

New Testament Reading: *II Timothy 4: 1-8*

MESSAGE

"Enjoy the Journey"

Rev. Dr. Mike Shelton

SPIRITUAL RESPONSE

"One Bread, One Body"
Chancel Choir

arr. Mark Hayes

THE LORD'S SUPPER ~ *Invitation, Great Prayer of Thanksgiving, The Lord's Prayer, Words of Institution, Communion, Prayer*

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF SENDING NO. 687

"Our God, Our Help in Ages in Past"

*BENEDICTION

*GO FORTH IN PEACE

"Seek Ye First"
(verse 1)

No. 175

Opportunities for Connection

Offering Invitation

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



Prayer List

Judy Cox is home from physical therapy/rehabilitation.

The Chancel Flowers are Dedicated to the Glory of God

and in loving memory of Jimmy Oliver
by Jenella Oliver.

Greeters & Ushers

Matt, Sarah, Mason and Lillian King

Flower Delivery

Mary Easley

Sound

Olin Babb

Breakfast Ministry Informational Meeting

There will be a short informational meeting about the Grab & Go Breakfast Ministry in the Fellowship Center immediately following the 10:30 worship service today. Anyone interested in learning more about the program and associated volunteer opportunities are encouraged to attend! Should you have questions and are not able to attend you may contact Sarah Good (423-967-3148) or Becca Wright (423-963-9617).

Wednesday Night This Week

Church Night Supper will be **Wednesday, September 10** at 5:30 p.m. from **Panda Express** and will include dessert. After dinner we will have a Vespers service at 6:20 p.m. in the Fellowship Center. The deadline for dinner reservations is noon on **Tuesday, September 9**. The cost is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children under 10, with a family maximum of \$25.00. *Reservations may be made on the church pew pads, by calling Vickie at 423-245-0104, through the church Website, or through your REALM account. Reservations for each CNS opens at 8:00 a.m. the Saturday before the upcoming CNS date.*

Combined Worship and Called Congregational Meeting

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. A called congregational meeting will be held at the end of the service. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the dissolution of Dr. Mike Shelton's call with FPC. Please join us for Mike's final Sunday at FPC.

Church Picnic

The Church Picnic will be held on **Sunday, September 21**, at the Allandale Picnic Pavilion. Fellowship time begins at 5 pm and dinner will be served at 6. Braeden's Barbeque will be our caterer. Pulled pork, pulled turkey, grilled chicken, cowboy baked beans, coleslaw, tea, lemonade, water, banana pudding, brownies, and cookies are included in our delicious menu. White Elephant Bingo and other games will round out this fun, family time together with fellow church members. **The deadline for reservations is Sunday, September 14**, at 5 p.m.! Braeden's needs the count on Monday morning, the 15th. *\$10/person; children 6-10 is \$5, \$35 family maximum. (When booking your reservations, please note that a family = parent(s) and dependent children 18 years of age and under.). Make reservations on the sign-up sheet in the church foyer, on Realm, on the church Website (using Realm), or by calling the church at (423) 245-0104. Payment in advance is preferred by these methods: on Realm, on the church Website (using Realm), paying Vickie in the church office, or putting payment in the church offering plate noting Church Picnic in the memo section.*

Upcoming Fellowship Events

Barter Trip - Saturday, September 27 at 2 p.m. for a musical murder mystery story. Call Barbara Foust ASAP.
Storytelling - Wednesday, October 1 at 2 p.m. Twelve seats are available to see Donald Davis. Cost is \$10.

Birthdays and Prayers of the Week

Sept. 7: Gray Stothart, Carol Dixon
Sept. 8: Jim Wright
Sept. 9: Sarah Tatchi, Lylah Combs
Sept. 12: Jane Harris, Martha Pendley, Heather Kunysz
Sept. 13: Mary Ruth
Sept. 14: Henry King

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