

# The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

*\*Rise in body or in spirit... (as indicated below.)*

## WE ASSEMBLE TO WORSHIP GOD

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

*On Eagle's Wings*

Michael Joncas

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Susan Roberson

### CHORAL INTROIT (Hymnal 412, v. 1)

*God, Reveal Your Presence*

ARNSBERG

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 67:1-5

**Leader:** May God be gracious to us and bless us, and make his face to shine upon us,

**People:** That your way may be known upon the earth, your saving power among the nations.

**Leader:** Let the people praise you, O God:

**People:** Let all the peoples praise you.

**Leader:** Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

**People:** For you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth.

**All:** Let the people praise you, O God, let all the peoples praise you.

### \*OPENING PRAYER WITH LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### \*OPENING HYMN 65

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

CWM RHONDDA

## WE CONFESS OUR SIN

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Psalm 51:1-4, 10

**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love: according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**

**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**

*Silent personal prayer.*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.**

### \*KYRIE ELEISON 551

*Lord, Have Mercy*

LAND OF REST

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

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### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**One:** In Jesus Christ, God has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor repaid us according to our iniquities. Through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven, our shame is removed, and we are made new. Friends, believe the gospel:

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Praise be to God!**

### \*RESPONSE (Hymnal 581)

*Glory Be to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

Susan Roberson

(Children through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are welcome in Children's Church with Mrs. Nan Katherine Gallis.)

### ANTHEM

*Immortal, Invisible*

ST. DENIO/arr. Eric Thiman

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light in accessible hid from our eyes. Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might; Thy justice like mountains high soaring above. Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love. To all, life Thou givest to both great and small; in all life Thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish but nought changeth Thee. Great Father of Glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight. All laud we would render; O help us see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

*Galatians 5:1*

(Pew Bible p.179)

*Deuteronomy 26:5b-11, 13*

(Pew Bible p.174)

*James 1:26-27*

(Pew Bible p.215)

### THE SERMON

*A Song of Freedom!*

Rev. Gordon Raynal

### TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

*What is God saying to you through Scripture, sermon and song?*

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE 339

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

LIFT EVERY VOICE

### \*WE SAY WHAT WE BELIEVE – *The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Please touch the plate as it is passed to offer your time, talents, and tithes to God.*

### OFFERTORY

*Meditation*

Jacob Arcadelt

### \*RESPONSE

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Lord God, your call to us is so very clear. You have invited us to bring our gifts, our resources and our love to you to serve on Christ's behalf. We give you thanks for all your gifts to us, and may our lives with you be a journey of hope and promise into the future. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

## WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

### \*CLOSING HYMN 66

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

PENTECOST

### \*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymnal 295, v. 1)

*Go to the World!*

SINE NOMINE

**Go to the world! Go into all the earth. Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth, baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Allegro Maestoso from 'Water Music'*

G.F. Handel

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*The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Chip and Sherry Hutchison and in honor of Carolina Day. In South Carolina, we celebrate Carolina Day on June 28 to honor the victory of the South Carolina militia over the British Navy during the Battle of Sullivan's Island. The battle took place near Sullivan's Island in 1776 and was one of the first major American victories of the American Revolutionary War. Defenders at a palmetto-log fort successfully protected Charleston from British attack, inspiring patriot support throughout the colonies. Carolina Day is celebrated to remember the bravery, determination, and sacrifice of those who helped defend what is now South Carolina and contributed to the fight for American independence.*

We welcome Rev. Gordon W. G. Raynal, R.N., in our worship leadership today. Rev. Raynal is honorably retired as the Stated Clerk and General Presbyter of Foothills Presbytery and previously served as a registered nurse in hospitals in NC, SC, and Virginia. In retirement, he has settled in Rock Hill.

### Guests...WELCOME to First Presbyterian Church!

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us and pray that you will discover anew God's love for you today.

Please sign the Friendship Pad with your contact information when it is passed. Church members and staff would be delighted to provide you with more information about FPC.

**Nursery Care/Children's Church Today:** Janelle Chubb, Nan Katherine Gallis

**Nursery Care July 5:** Mary Anne Sheppard

**Elder/Deacon on Duty Today:** Bo Redmond, Allen Katz

**Elder/Deacon on Duty July 5:** Clair Roberts, Beth Janicke

**Monitor/Greeter Today:** Bob Ballard **July 5:** Barry Goodner

**Acolytes Today:** Ben Williams, Charlie Cycak

**Remember the following in prayer:** Worth Kendall, Mary Tice, Shirley Burton, Beth Easley, Michele Horne, Keira Esposito, Ashley Platts, Nancy Lowery, Colleen Lathan, Manfred Liewald, Donna Martin, Allen Tice, Patti Cloninger, Jean Horton

**Dominican Republic Mission Team:** Please pray for our team this week as they work with the community of Mission Emanuel: Riley Elston, Libba Faircloth, Lee Goodner, Evan Hicklin, Joseph Hunsucker, Carl Janicke, Henry Janicke, Mary Alice Owen, McCord Redmond, Banks Shannon, Reeves Williams, Matt Goodner, Dixon Murdoch, Michele Murdoch, Elizabeth Owen, Kara Wheeler, and Lee Zehmer. Please use the QR code to have access to their photos from the trip through Photo Circle. The Mission Team will share more in worship on August 23.



**Church Picnic on Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup>!** All are invited to our annual July 4<sup>th</sup> Picnic! Fried chicken will be provided by the Fellowship Committee. Bring a side or dessert to share. To help us prepare, please RSVP to Jonna in the Church Office at jeichorn@fpcrockhill.org OR you can place a blue pew communication card in the offering plate. **RSVP by TODAY!**

**250 Gifts for Our Nation's 250th Birthday!!** We are collecting 250 items to help three agencies in our community: Her Place - Shelter for Women and Children, Rock Hill Veterans Association Clinic, and Northside School. See their needs lists in the Narthex, newsletter, and E-Blast. This project will run the month of June and culminate at our Church Picnic on Sunday, July 5. Bring your items to the Narthex and place in the appropriate boxes.

**Help for HOPE:** Your kindness and generosity resulted in 54 jars of peanut butter and 75 boxes of crackers for Project HOPE clients during the month of June. Thank you for your very generous contributions from the Mission and Outreach Committee and the clients of HOPE of Rock Hill. **For the month of July,** we will collect rice and rice mixes. Any brand, bags or boxes, and any variety are needed! Please leave donations in the Narthex by Sunday, July 19.

**Riverwalk Academy of Rock Hill** is building a library for their Kindergarten - 5th grade students. Picture books, beginning chapter books, engaging non-fiction books, culturally relevant books and STEM books are needed. Bring your NEW book donations to the box in the Narthex by Sunday, August 2. Reach out to Diane Bailey at cockymom1234@gmail.com with questions.

**Home Communion:** On Communion Sundays, we will be serving anyone who wishes to have communion brought to them at home if they are unable to attend worship. Please call the Church Office at 803-328-2467 to be added to the home communion list OR to add someone to the list! We need a few more Elders to help with the serving. Contact Bob Ballard to join the serving team.

**Montreat Weekend is October 16-18!** Registration is open. A room in the Inn is \$100/night and \$140/night if you need 2 rooms for your family. Six apartments available at \$140/night if arriving on Thursday. (Any remaining apartments will be available to families arriving on Friday on August 1<sup>st</sup>.) Register with Kara.

### This Week's Calendar

Pray for our High School Mission Team in the Dominican Republic.

#### Sunday, June 28

9:15 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
10:00 am Worship

#### Tuesday, June 30

4:00 pm Seniors Exercise Class

#### Thursday, July 2

2:00 pm Yarns of Love  
4:00 pm Seniors Exercise Class

#### Friday, July 3

The Mission Team returns home from the DR.

#### Sunday, July 5

9:15 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
10:00 am Worship  
11:00 am Church-Wide Picnic in Hopkins Hall

### Save the Date!

August 2: Blessing of the Backpacks in 11:00 am worship  
August 16: Rally Day Breakfast/Fall Kick-Off -10:00 am  
August 23: Rise Against Hunger Food Packing - 3:00 pm

### Members of the Session

Susan Roberson, Clerk

#### Class of 2026

John Abernathy  
Jimmy Campbell  
Scott Harris  
Elizabeth Owen  
Susan Roberson

#### Class of 2027

Paul Horne  
Ann Hunsucker  
Chip Hutchison  
Julia Nichols  
Sheryl Smith

#### Class of 2028

Clair Roberts  
Bo Redmond  
John Blackwelder  
Cynthia Johnson  
Rob Joiner

### Members of the Diaconate

Beth Janicke, Moderator

#### Class of 2026

Jennifer Abernathy  
Heather Dellinger  
Kathy James  
Margaret Joiner  
Dave Keely

#### Class of 2027

Beth Janicke  
Allen Katz  
Joan Musselwhite  
Steve Roberts  
Sherry Hutchison

#### Class of 2028

Cameron Lawson  
Carolyn Johnson  
Jonathan Nichols  
Richard Quandt  
Betsy Forrest

### Deacons of the Month for June

Jennifer Abernathy, Beth Janicke, Betsy Forrest

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### Church Office Hours

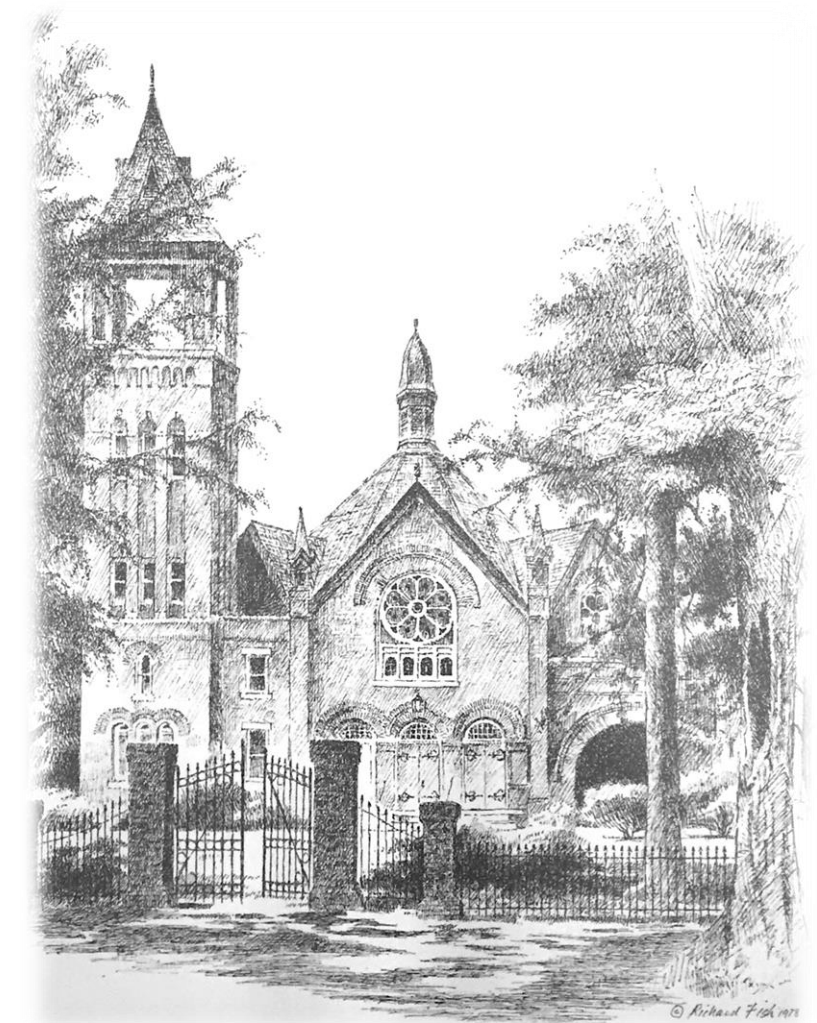
Monday - Wednesday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Friday: Closed



This QR Code may be used for all online contributions to the church. There is a 1% processing fee for Checking/ACH transfers and 3% fee for Credit Card transaction.



# June 28, 2026

## 10:00 am

We are a diverse family of believers in Jesus Christ, who seek to glorify God by celebrating and sharing God's renewing and transforming love as we:

*Worship* the living God with joy and thanksgiving

*Teach* the Word of God to deepen our faith and grow in our love of Christ

*Serve* others through sharing our unique gifts of the Holy Spirit

*Fellowship* with one another to energize our life together as a congregation

*Nurture and Embrace* all of God's children.

Dr. A. Lee Zehmer - Senior Pastor

Rev. Kara Wheeler - Associate Pastor of Family Ministries

Dr. Donald M. Rogers - Director of Music

M. L. Marley - Organist

Angela Harris - Director of Cherub Choir

Ashley Platts - Director of Handbell Choirs

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