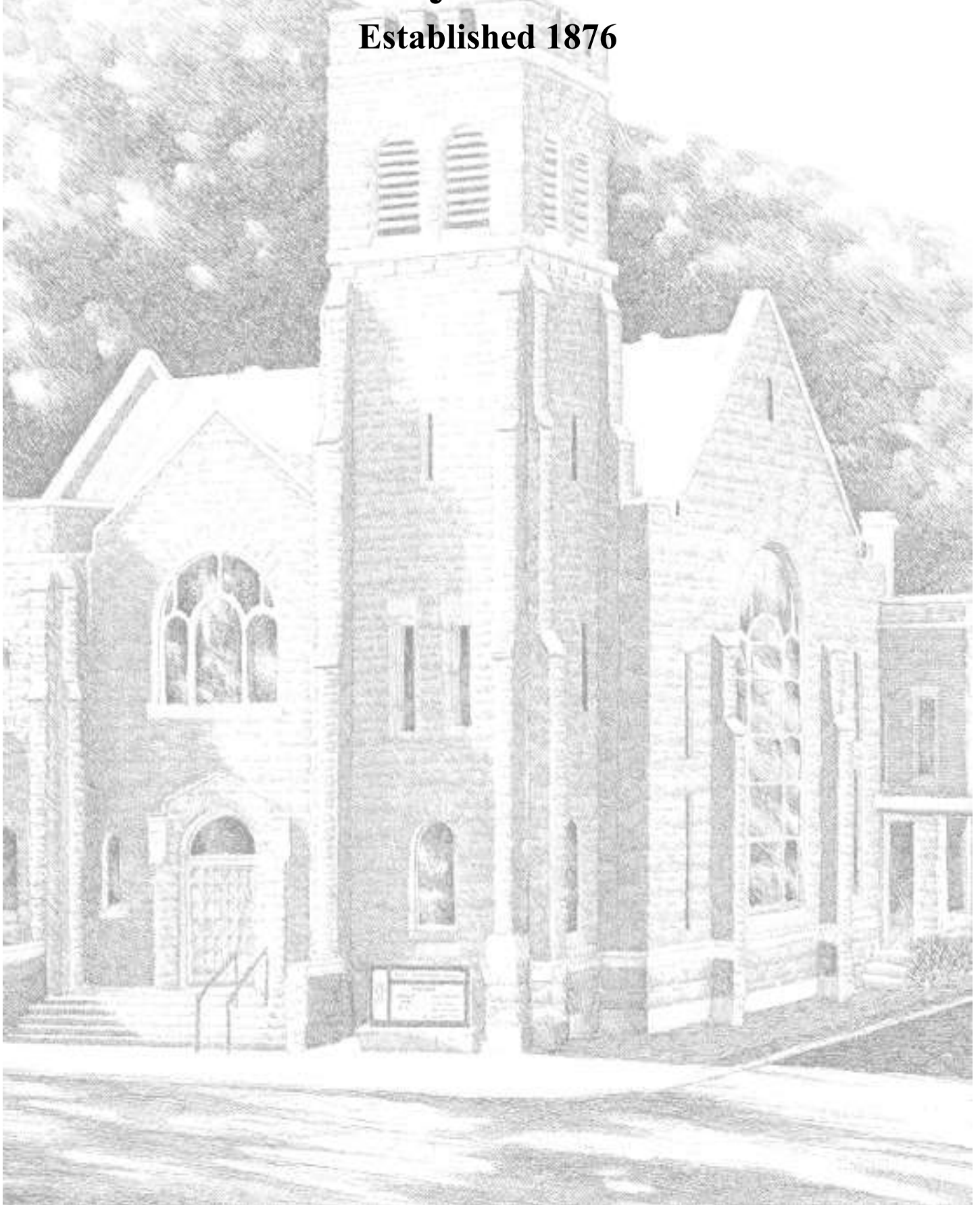


# First Presbyterian Church

Established 1876



**First Presbyterian Church**  
**18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**October 12, 2025**

Prelude ..... *“Adagio”* ..... Robert W. Thygerson

Welcome, Greetings and Announcements

Introit..... *“Glory to God”* ..... Hal Hopson

Call to Worship ..... Patricia Mills

Here we are, Lord!

**You have seen us and known us from before the beginning.**

Here we are, Lord!

**Jesus, you have called us to this place.**

Here we are, Lord!

**Gracious Holy Spirit, inspire our hearts with courage and joy.**

Opening Prayer ..... Patricia Mills

O God, you call to us today, and we are here to listen. Open our ears and our hearts as we worship, as we work, and as we care for one another. We ask that you would give us courage and integrity to answer your call with the heart-felt words, “Here I am!” **Amen.**

\* Hymn of Praise No. 476 .. *“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”* ..... LYONS

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**God of love, you know us inside and out and you call us by name. We confess that we often forget to listen for your voice. We hurry about with our eyes down, our minds and hearts and ears closed. We confess that there are times when we have not listened to those who are lonely or in pain. We have allowed certain voices to dominate while others are silenced or ignored. Forgive us. Please, God, do not stop speaking. Slow us down, lift up our eyes. Help us to listen for you.**

(A moment of silent personal confession)

\* Assurance of Forgiveness

\* Glory to the Father (Gloria Patri) (Unison) ..... Hymn No. 579

**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.**

Prayer for Illumination..... Patricia Mills

- First Scripture Reading ..... 1 Samuel 3:1-9 .....OT Page 247
- Time with Young Disciples
- Anthem..... *“Come, Thou Fount”* .....John Wyeth
- Second Scripture Reading..... 1 Samuel 3:10-21 .....OT Page 247
- Sermon ..... Hearing Check .....Rev. Leslie Roper
- \* Hymn No. 343..... *“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”* .....BEECHER
- \* Affirmation of Faith (Unison)-Apostle’s Creed ..... Patricia Mills  
**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.**
- Giving of Our Tithes & Offerings ..... Patricia Mills
- Offertory .....*“Meditation”* ..... Paul F. Page
- \* Doxology – Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow .....Hymn 592  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**
- \* Prayer of Dedication ..... Patricia Mills
- Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (Unison)..... Traditional, Hymnal Page 16  
**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.**
- \* Closing Hymn No. 605 ..... *“Song of Simeon”* .....NUNC DIMITTIS
- \* Charge & Benediction

Postlude.....“*Preludio Festivo* ” ..... Sharon Elery Rogers

*It is the practice of this congregation to sit back down for the postlude.  
Please join us in enjoying a few moments of reflection as our service concludes.*

\*Congregation Standing (Please remain seated if standing is uncomfortable.)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today's Sanctuary Flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Carolyn Beane in honor of her mother who was born in 1913.

**Church Office Schedule:** The church office will close at 12:00 p.m. this Friday, October 17.

**Next Sunday, October 19, is "Birthday Sunday"** where we will honor our members and friends celebrating birthdays in the month of October. Following worship, we invite members, friends and guests to the Fellowship Hall for Birthday Cake. Please join us!

**Presbyterian Women's 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Night Out** will be at the Splash Wine Bar (325 Ouachita Ave.) on Wednesday, October 29, 5:30 p.m. Many food items have a Cajun influence, but there is a \$10 hamburger special on Wednesday nights. Splash is not completely handicap accessible, but fairly easy to access. It is best to park at the bank next door. A sign-up sheet is hanging on the "Sign-Up Board" located in the Fellowship Hall right outside the kitchen. Please sign up if you are coming. Judy Hoefer needs to call in a count by Monday, October 27.

**The Presbyterian Men** will have a night out on Wednesday, October 29, at 5:30 p.m. They will meet at Bubba Brews (1252 Airport Rd) for fun and fellowship. Bubba Brews is on Lake Hamilton and offers a variety of classic dinners ensuring something for everyone. A sign-up sheet is hanging on the "Sign-Up Board" located in the Fellowship Hall right outside the kitchen.

**Welcome Visitors!** Please take a moment to fill out the visitor information card, located in the pew in front of you. Please drop them in the offering plate or hand them to an usher. We'd love to get to know you better! After Worship, join us for a time of fellowship and beverages in the Fellowship Hall. There, you'll find the Welcome Center, with more information about our church!

**Children are always welcome** in worship at First Presbyterian Church. Older children are encouraged to participate in worship and are welcome to pick up pre-packed activities on the table in the back of the sanctuary just for them. A nursery is available upstairs for children under 5. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

**Save your Quarters for the Heifer Project!** The quarter tube is located just inside the sanctuary doors near the steps leading into the sanctuary.

**Save your Dimes!** All dimes put into the offering plates go to the Vera Lloyd Home to purchase Bibles. "Make a joyful noise to the Lord."

**Prayer Requests:** Anyone who wants prayer from the Prayer Chain should email or call Jamie Williams, [jsar43@gmail.com](mailto:jsar43@gmail.com) / 276-2852 or Patricia Mills, [paulpatmills@yahoo.com](mailto:paulpatmills@yahoo.com) / 545-5250 with your request. You may also email the Church Office [office@firstpreshotsprings.org](mailto:office@firstpreshotsprings.org). A request can be for yourself, a family member, or a family friend. *You may ask that the request be kept confidential. Only the Prayer Chain members will be notified and they will also be told to keep it confidential.*



## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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| <p><b><u>October 1</u></b><br/>Christopher Meyers</p> <p><b><u>October 4</u></b><br/>Hannah Mills</p> <p><b><u>October 6</u></b><br/>Nancy Doyle<br/>Don Leonhard<br/>Ann Schaffer</p> <p><b><u>October 8</u></b><br/>Tim Bumpas</p> <p><b><u>October 12</u></b><br/>John Ochsner</p> | <p><b><u>October 14</u></b><br/>Stacey Grise<br/>Daniel Roper</p> <p><b><u>October 15</u></b><br/>Patricia Bridges<br/>Dus Spivey</p> <p><b><u>October 18</u></b><br/>Joseph Florini<br/>Steve Hopper</p> <p><b><u>October 22</u></b><br/>Terri McKissack</p> <p><b><u>October 24</u></b><br/>James Vinson</p> | <p><b><u>October 27</u></b><br/>John Boyd<br/>Led Davis<br/>Sophie Meyers</p> <p><b><u>October 28</u></b><br/>Kathleen Bishop</p> <p><b><u>October 30</u></b><br/>Michael Helm</p> <p><b><u>October 31</u></b><br/>Logan Rice</p> |
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| <p><b><u>October 1</u></b><br/>Janet and Steve Van Pelt</p> <p><b><u>October 2</u></b><br/>Anna and Brian Geltner</p> <p><b><u>October 4</u></b><br/>Dianna and David Thayer</p> <p><b><u>October 12</u></b><br/>Dawn and Bill Cattaneo</p> | <p><b><u>October 16</u></b><br/>Elaine and Mike Muzny</p> <p><b><u>October 23</u></b><br/>Barbara and Jim Davis</p> <p><b><u>October 31</u></b><br/>Susan and Allen Lee<br/>Sally and Bob Pierce</p> |
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*We are so very lucky to have a congregation that is willing to invest in our graduating seniors each year. Each month on the 3rd Sunday, members celebrating their birthdays that month are encouraged to make a special "Birthday Blessing" to our scholarship fund. We have been so blessed in the past to be able to contribute to the continuing education of our Youth. We hope that you will consider this month to give in honor of your birthday.*



**Church Office Hours:**

Monday – Friday  
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Office Lunch Hour:**

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

**Sunday, October 12**

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
11:30 a.m. Deacon Meeting  
11:30 a.m. Handbells

**Monday, October 13**

9:00 a.m. Bargain Box Marking

**Wednesday, October 15**

10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study  
12:00 p.m. Bargain Box Open until 3:00 p.m.  
12:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open  
12:00 p.m. Mission Committee  
1:00 p.m. Worship Committee  
5:30 p.m. Finance & Administration Committee Meeting

**Friday, October 17**

12:00 p.m. Office Closed

**Sunday, October 19**

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
11:30 a.m. Birthday Cake in the Fellowship Hall  
5:30 p.m. Spa City Youth

*Please remember to recycle your bulletins by placing them in the  
blue recycle container in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.*

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