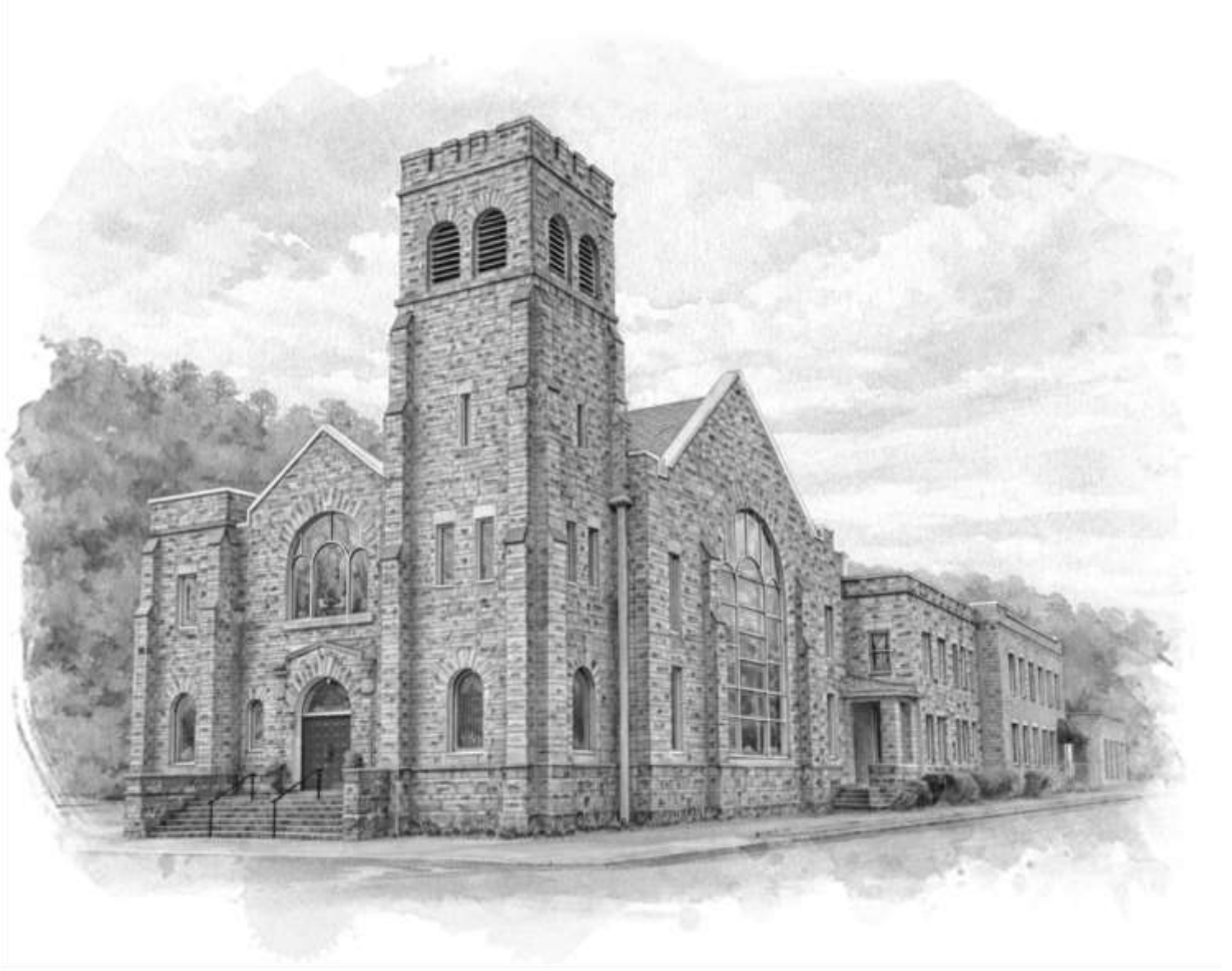


First Presbyterian Church
HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS
1876-2026



10th Sunday after Pentecost
Communion
August 2, 2026

Order of Worship

Prelude *“There is a Balm in Gilead”* Traditional arr. F. Bock

Welcome, Greetings and Announcements

Introit..... *“Panis Angelicus”* César Franck

Call to Worship Ian Poole

Holy is your name, God in heaven!

We come to worship today longing for your kingdom to come.

Your kingdom is one of justice, peace, and love.

What is your will in our lives, in our world?

Let heaven fall upon us and let God’s reign fill the air.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven!

Opening Prayer Ian Poole

Eternal God, we are listening for your gracious Word, made flesh for us in Jesus Christ. Call us to come and see where he leads, and teach us to believe in his name. Help us to do as he tells us so our lives might be signs of his kingdom. We pray in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

* Hymn of Praise No. 473 *“For the Beauty of the Earth”* DIX

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Patient Lord, forgive our lack of faith in your loving power. We look around us and all that we see is what we don’t have. We fail to notice the daily blessings you lavish upon us. Forgive us. Strengthen us and move us from lame excuses for not serving you. Help us to truly listen to one another, not with our pat answers ready, but with loving and generous hearts. Heal us and make us ready to truly be your disciples. In Jesus’ Name, we pray.

(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..... Ian Poole

First Scripture Reading Psalm 145:8-13a OT Page 581

Time with Young Disciples

* Favorite Hymn No. 302 *"I Danced in the Morning"* SIMPLE GIFTS

Second Scripture Reading Isaiah 35:1-10 OT Page 739

Sermon Thy Kingdom Come Rev. Leslie Roper

* Hymn No. 425 *"Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining"* ABBOT'S LEIGH

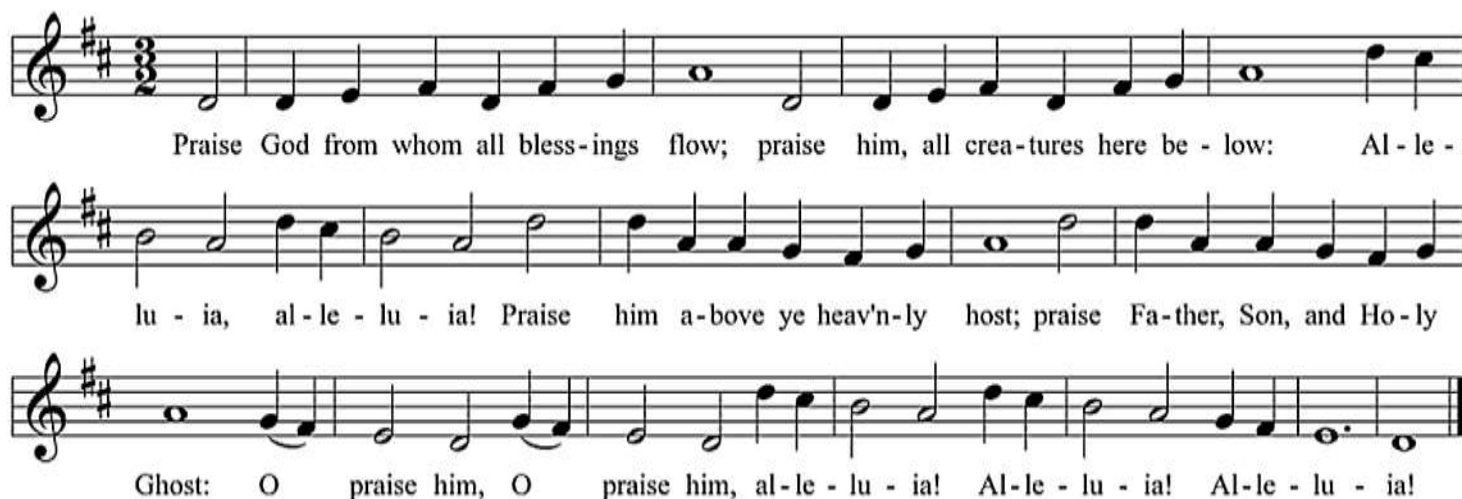
* Affirmation of Faith (Unison)-Apostle's Creed Ian Poole

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 Ian Poole

Offertory *"Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness"* J. G. Walther

* Doxology – Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow LASST UNS ERFREUEN



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a-bove ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly

Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

* Prayer of Dedication Ian Poole

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (all are invited to participate)

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer 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.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

You are invited to hold the elements until all are served.

Closing Prayer

* Closing Hymn No. 535 "Go with Us, Lord" TALLIS' CANON

* Charge & Benediction

Postlude....."Holy, Holy, Holy" Dykes arr. F. Bock

*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 Jackie and Pat Edwards in honor of their 56th wedding anniversary.

Today is Communion Sunday and the FPC Blessing Box food collection. The first Sunday of each month you are encouraged to bring food for the Blessing Box or give a check made out to the church with Blessing Box on the memo line. Please remember those less fortunate.

Family Night Supper Ice Cream Social



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."



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

<u>August 1</u> Pat Edwards Steve Van Pelt <u>August 7</u> Michael Carr <u>August 11</u> Karen DeMott	<u>August 12</u> Tommie Colvin <u>August 15</u> Suzanne Cain <u>August 16</u> Leslie Hardin	<u>August 25</u> Chris Chapmond Susan Paparella <u>August 29</u> Richard Muse
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AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

<u>August 5</u> Kathy and Tom Harst <u>August 7</u> Jackie and Pat Edwards	<u>August 25</u> Janet and Richard Muse <u>August 29</u> Tommie and Clark Colvin
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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, August 2 - Communion

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion

Monday, August 3

9:00 a.m. Bargain Box Marking
10:00 a.m. Jackson House Lunch Prep

Wednesday, August 5

10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Bargain Box Open until 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 6

10:30 a.m. Mission Lunch Prep. at Jackson House

Sunday, August 2

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
11:30 a.m. Deacon Meeting

Prayer Requests: Anyone who wants prayer from the Prayer Chain should email or call Jamie Williams, jsar43@gmail.com / 276-2852 or Patricia Mills, paulpatmills@yahoo.com / 545-5250 with your request. You may also email the Church Office 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.*

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

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