

# ***First Presbyterian Church***

***Clinton, SC***

June 28, 2026

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



## **Centering Prayer**

*Steadfast God, you greet us as a loving parent and patiently love us beyond all measure. Great is your faithfulness. May we offer that same kindness to all whom we encounter, knowing it is Christ whom we greet as we welcome others. Amen.*

## **Prelude**

*Morning Has Broken*

LANI SMITH

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **Morning Prayer and the 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.

## **\*Morning Hymn**

*To God Be the Glory*

#634/TO GOD BE THE GLORY

## **\*Call to Confession**

## **\*Prayer of Confession:** (unison)

God of the risen Christ, you broke the power of sin and evil. And we yet we still live in the tombs of forgetfulness, anxiety and fear. We have failed to love you as we should. We have neglected to love our neighbor. Indeed, we have even failed to love ourselves. Release us from the tombs that terrify us, so that we can see your image in one another and in your good creation. Indeed, free us from the graves of self-hatred, so that we can see ourselves as your children. Amen.

*(Our prayer continues in silence)*

## **\*Assurance of Pardon** (responsive)

The mercy of the Lord is sure. In Christ, we are forgiven and set free from the chains that bind us.

Thanks be to God!

## **\*Gloria Patri**

GLORIA PATRI

*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.*

## **Children's Sermon**

## **Hymn**

*God is So Good*

#658/GOD IS SO GOOD

## **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Psalter Lesson**

Psalm 95

p. 479 Pew Bible

## **Sermon**

Rev. Andy S. Chambers

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (unison)

(from A Brief Statement of Faith)

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory**

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

EMMA LOU DIEMER

**\*Doxology**

OLD HUNDRETH

*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**

**\*Hymn of Mission**

*O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

#338/MATERNA

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response**

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

#582/GLORY TO GOD

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.*

*World without end, without end. Amen.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

**\*Postlude**

*Sing to the Lord!*

LINDA SMYTHE

Thank you to Lee Atkinson for serving as liturgist; to the streaming team of Craig Powell (soundboard) and Marty Ademy (Pres. Comm.); and to Maecy Burton for serving Lemonade on the Lawn.

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**Sermon Notes**

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## **Prayers for the Week**

**Morning Prayer:** *Gracious God, I awake this day in expectation and thanks and ask to receive the opportunity to share your hospitality with all whom I meet. May I welcome you in serving others and grow ever deeper in holiness and right relationship. Amen.*

**Evening Prayer:** *Steadfast God, you have traveled with me this day and have seen those places where I flourished and those where I floundered. I give thanks for the gift of finding you at every turn and for the gift to learn of my need for you, in both times of failure and times of attainment. I seek your rest this night, that upon awakening I may find your strength to serve your world with constancy and joy. Amen.*

## **Please Remember in Prayer**

### **Church Family**

Margaret Addison  
Laura Ashley  
Neile Chambers  
P-Nut Dowdle  
Kathy Hamer  
Linda Hunter  
Gin Jacobs  
Karen Mattison  
Dot Smith  
Danny Wardlaw

### **Friends of Church**

Stuart Britt  
Neal & Lynda Counterman  
Andy Dill  
Julie Young Keadle  
Alan Pinson  
Kim Purcell  
Trecie Davis Richey  
Joe House  
Lannie Finley  
Moonyeen Smith

### **Bereavement**

Cindy Jacobs & family  
Sonya Atkinson & family  
Pam Warren & family  
Marvine & Bill Tyler  
The Goodbar family  
Laurie Addison & family  
Bebe Ademy & family

*The prayer list will be updated quarterly. If you would like to be added to or removed, please let the church office know.*

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## **This Week at FPC**

### **Sunday, June 28**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages - Praying at the Movies (Fellowship Hall)  
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service  
11:30 a.m. - Lemonade on the Lawn  
11:30 a.m. – Session meeting (library)

### **Monday, June 29**

9:30 a.m. - Staff meeting

### **Tuesday, June 30**

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. – The Classics gym walk (CLC)  
10:00 a.m. – MahJongg (Rm. 110/CLC)

### **Wednesday, July 1**

4:00 p.m. - Deadline to submit items for the Sunday bulletin

### **Thursday, July 2**

4:00 p.m. - Deadline to submit items for the emailed Worship News  
5:30 p.m. – Worship & Music Committee (library)

### **Friday, July 3 - Church office closed**

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## **Announcements**



This is a friendly reminder that we will gather in the Fellowship Hall next Sunday during the Sunday School hour for “Freedom Fellowship.” Please wear your red, white, and blue as we celebrate America’s 250th birthday. We look forward to enjoying coffee, juice, and light breakfast snacks together.



In celebration of our country’s 250th birthday, the Congregational Life Committee is sponsoring a church-wide cookout on **Wednesday, July 8, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your patriotism and your families for an evening of fellowship, fun, and patriotic games for all ages! Please RSVP to the church office by **this Wednesday, July 1.**



Pastor Andy is looking forward to getting to know each member of our church family! If you would enjoy a visit, please call the church office to schedule a time to gather and get acquainted. He looks forward to sharing conversation, fellowship, and a warm welcome with you.



Scan the QR code with your mobile device to be directed to OnRealm, where you may make your offering or tithe. (Text/Data rates may apply)

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### **The Session of First Presbyterian Church**

#### **Class of 2026**

Marty Ademy  
Emily Holder  
Bob Link  
Holbrook Raynal  
Andy Sullivan  
Stan Walsh

#### **Class of 2027**

Lee Atkinson  
Danny Cook  
Amanda Donley  
Chad Gambrell  
Jean Johnson  
Bob McLean

#### **Class of 2028**

Austin Barnes  
Cyndi Coker  
Charlie Gustafson  
Harold Nichols  
Ashley Powell  
Jettie Young

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#### **Church Staff**

Rev. Andy S. Chambers, Pastor  
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