



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us worship God.

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHIMES

PRELUDE......Preambulum from Partita 5 in G Major.....J. S. Bach Cara Lamb, guest pianist

†CALL TO WORSHIP – from Psalm 52

I am like a green olive tree in the house of God. I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.

I will thank you forever, because of what you have done. In the presence of the faithful I will proclaim your name, for it is good.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives – that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful. We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with condition, we judge and condemn, we cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes. We do not turn to you as the source of our healing. Forgive us and forgive our sins, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen.

(Continue your personal prayer of confession in silence.)

RESPONSE, No. 466.....Come and Fill Our Hearts.....CONFITEMINI DOMINO (To be sung twice)

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.Come and fill our hearts with your peace.You alone, O Lord, are holy.Alleluia!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greet one another saying: **"The peace of Christ be with you."** Respond by saying: **"And also with you."**

THE WORD

A TIME WITH CHILDREN.....Lynace Veit

Children: God be with you as you stay. Congregation: God be with you as you go.

Young children may exit at this time for Extended Session, Room 103 in the Christian Education Building. There is no Worship Center in the summer.

Refrain: Here on Jesus Christ I will stand. He's the solid rock of my life. He's the solid rock of my life. He's the solid rock of my life. It is not the work of my hands That has washed away all my sins. I'm redeemed, and all of my days, Jesus Christ will be my heart's praise. (*Refrain*)

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING......Amos 8:1-12

Pew Bible, page 807 | Large Print, page 1048 Bibles are located in the racks beneath the pews.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING.....Luke 10:38-42 Pew Bible, page 67 | Large Print, page 87 This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON......Rev. Drew McFayden

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed

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.

†HYMN, No. 324......For All the Faithful Women......NYLAND

MOMENT FOR DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY......Francis Poulenc Cara Lamb, pianist

†DOXOLOGY, No. 608......PRAISE GOD (Hopson)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN, No. 450.....Be Thou My Vision.....SLANE

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Through the love of God our Savior, All will be well; Free and changeless is his favor; All must be well; Precious is the love that healed us, Perfect is the grace that sealed us, Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us; All, all is well. We expect a bright tomorrow, All will be well; Faith can sing through days of sorrow, All must be well; While his truth we are applying, And upon his love relying, God is every need supplying. All, all is well.

†POSTLUDE......J. S. Bach

† Worshipers standing if able

The flowers today are given in honor of Vacation Bible School Volunteers by Claudia and David Oliver.

Liturgist: Paul Dickson Ushers: Robin Jones, Patti Shelton, Al Ogden, Mary Bush, Dick Bush

THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT Marilyn Gallagher – July 11, 2025

We express sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Marilyn Gallagher, and we rejoice with them in the assurance of resurrection.

WORSHIP NOTES

WE WELCOME FRIENDS AND VISITORS. This church is for anyone who wants to be counted as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and who wants to be included in its worship and work. Thank you for signing your name and address on the attendance sheet.

WORSHIP BAGS are available for children elementary age and younger. Inside each bag a variety of worship aids can be found to help children participate fully in worship, including bookmarks, children's bulletins, crayons, pencils, and more! Worship Bags can be found in the narthex and at the front entrances of the sanctuary. Please return them at the end of the service. Children's Bibles are also available for children's use during worship.

CHILDREN ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN WORSHIP! Childcare is provided if needed. The Infant and Toddler nursery is found in CE 106 & 108. Children ages 3 years and younger may go to the CE building for Extended Session, Room CE 103. A comfort and cry room is located on the same floor as the sanctuary, behind the gathering area, around the corner and down the hall from the elevators. The cry room is equipped with a speaker, so you will be able to hear the worship service while there.

WE APPRECIATE AND WELCOME the Summer Men's Choir to the choir loft for the last two Sundays in July. Anyone middle school age-up is invited to give it a try for a fun and different summertime experience! Make some new friends! Meet in the choir room at 9:30 preceding worship for rehearsal.

WE WELCOME Cara Lamb as our guest musician today. Cara is the director of the Centenary Piano Preparatory Program at the Hurley School of Music. She has been a piano teacher in the Shreveport-Bossier area for over ten years. She holds a Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance from Centenary College, and a Master of Music degree in Piano Performance from Northwestern State University of Louisiana.

"Repairs are being made to the pastor chairs on the chancel over the next few weeks. They will be temporarily replaced by two other chairs until the repairs are completed." – Decorating Committee

PRAYER LIST - FOR HEALING, PEACE, AND COMFORT:

Martha Fitch, Mary Ann Shaw, Joy Young, Jean Carroll, Zama Dexter, Jean and Jerry Sayres, Jean Mendenhall, Leigh Taylor, Erika Asseff, Stephen Roberts, Josh Kilpatrick, Susie Nunnally, Ken Copeland, Lorna Rodman, Michael Avery, Chuck Asseff, Charlotte Sonnenfeld, Phillip Ponder, Gordon Blanchard, Shelby Guilbert, Rocky Laha

Please keep the pastor updated on those who are listed.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING:

Mary Blackman and family, Cheryl Marshall and family, Patti Shelton and family, Zama Dexter, Dan and Robin Jones and family, family and friends of Bettye Leslie, Cindy and Les Morgan and family, Bill Sniffen and family, family of Marilyn Gallagher

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SERVING:

Ryan Markham, U.S. Navy; Jennifer Markham, U.S. Navy; Reed Markham, U.S. Army; Evan Akers, U.S. Army; Josh Freidel, U.S. Navy; Evan Richey, U.S. Navy; James Giddens, U.S. Army

CHURCH STAFF AND LEADERSHIP:

Lynace Pabst Veit	Director of Children and Family Ministries
Dr. Hollice S. Watson	Organist/Choir Director
Rev. Drew McFayden	Stoer Pastoral Resident
Dakota Dunn	
Ginger Garfield	Church Administrator
Kathy Booth	Director of First Presbyterian Day School
Susan W. Abney	Communications Director
Jan Melton	Church Librarian
Tanna McAteer	
Lona L. Lockard	5
Jeff A. McKenzie	
Sheri Rowell	Kitchen Coordinator
Jacob Dickson	Pastoral Care Coordinator

SESSION MINISTRY MODERATORS:

Calvin Head	Administration
Gene Hodgson	Church Facilities
Simone Hennessee	Stewardship
Karen Day	Congregational Life
Anne Jenkins	
Piper Moritz	Adult Ministries
Brett McCulloch	Youth Ministry
April Carberry	Children's Ministries
Brandy Williams	Worship Ministry
John Frierson, Jr	Outreach Ministry
Robin Jones	Clerk of Session

DEACON, PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN & STOER MODERATORS:

Mary Bush-Board of Deacons; Lorraine Guice-Presbyterian Women; Liz LaBorde-Stoer Committee

IN OUR OUTREACH CENTER:

Volunteers for Youth Justice/CASA - Kelli Todd, Director Youth Outreach Services – Jewell House

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN SECURITY OFFICERS:

Corp. Srederick Matthews 230-3628 Ofc. Troy Jackson 453-3908

WEEKLY LINK - WEEK OF JULY 20, 2025 THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN Current Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, July 20

9:30 a.m. – Men's Choir Summer Rehearsal
10:45 a.m. – Sunday Worship Service - In-Person - Sanctuary and also Live Streamed on the Website: https://www.fpcshreveport.org and First Presbyterian Facebook Page
Youth at Montreat

MONDAY, July 21

12:00 p.m. – AA Youth at Montreat

TUESDAY, July 22

12:00 p.m. – Adult Ministry Meeting- Conference Room Youth at Montreat

WEDNESDAY, July 23

10:00 a.m. – Safety Policy Training – Session Room 1:00 p.m. – Caregivers Meeting – PW Suite Youth at Montreat

THURSDAY, July 24

Youth at Montreat

FRIDAY, July 25

10:00 a.m. – Tower Art 12:00 p.m. – AA Youth at Montreat

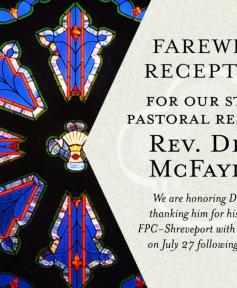
SUNDAY, July 27

9:30 a.m. – Men's Summer Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
10:45 a.m. – Sunday Worship Service – In-Person - Sanctuary and also Live Streamed on the Website: https://www.fpcshreveport.org and First Presbyterian Facebook Page
Farewell Reception for Drew McFayden following Worship Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



We are seeking donations for school supplies to help the students at Creswell Elementary in our Highland neighborhood. Multiple teachers have given us some classroom requests and we created this online gift registry. Please purchase donation items on the Amazon list and they will be mailed directly to First Presbyterian. The items will be brought to the school.



FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR OUR STOER PASTORAL RESIDENT REV. DREW MCFAYDEN

We are honoring Drew and thanking him for his years at FPC-Shreveport with a reception on July 27 following worship.



ADULT **DAY TRIP** Aug 14th @ 10:00am

Demonstration at Lowder's Bakery Lunch at Doc's Sandwich Shop | Cost \$10 COST \$10/PERSON • RESERVATIONS REQUIRED!

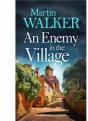


RSVP by Aug 11th 318-222-0604 Meet at the church!

We will take the church van but some may need to caravan in their own vehicles

AUGUST 2025 BOOK CLUB Meet on Thursday, August 28th

12noon-1:00pm at First Presbyterian Church 900 Jordan Street, Shreveport **Discussion Leader: Pam Peak** Our August Book Selection: AN ENEMY IN THE VILLAGE by author Martin Walker





THE PRESBYTERIAN BOOK CLUB 2025

An Enemy in the Village, the very latest crime novel in the Bruno, Chief of Police series by Martin Walker, is our August book club selecti Walker was educated at Oxford University and went on to become an Editor in Chief Emeritus at UPI (United Press International) and an international construction of the international order of the Brune tional correspondent. He is a renowned writer, and the Bruno international correspondent. He is a renowned writer, and the bruno, Chief of Police series is his most popular of creations. The series features one main protagonist character knows as Benoit Courreges who was nicknamed Bruno by his friends and workmates. Bruno is a municipal policeman in a small French village popularized by café rituals and eating traditions. This latest novel should be spellbinding!

About Speaker Pam Peak: a University of Nebraska grad who then got an M.Ed. at Centenary College. Pam taught high school English for 42 years, retiring from Magnet High School. She is member of St. MarkS Cathedral, where she has led a Bible study called Reading Between the Lines for 32 years.

