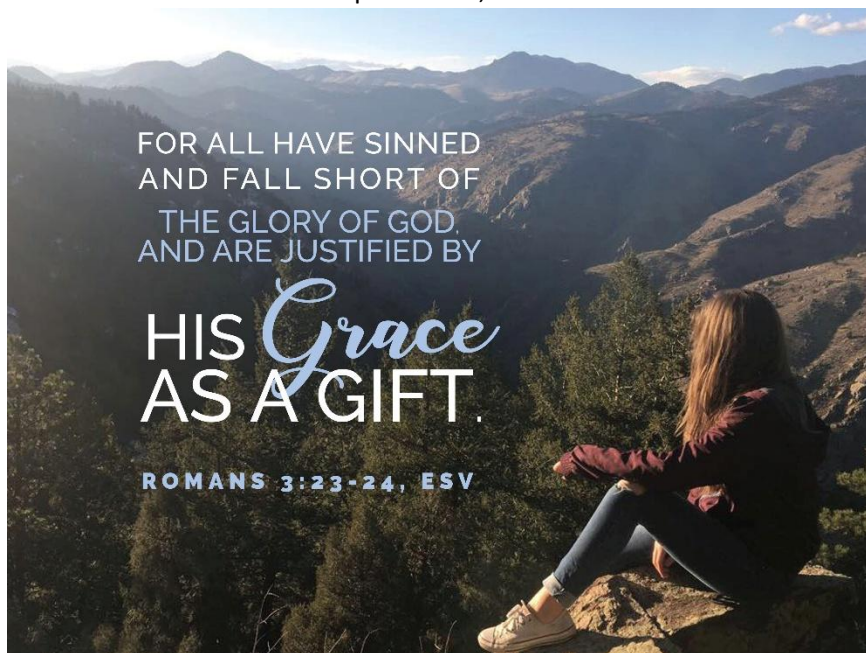


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 6, 2026



GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***SONG** "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" vs. 1, 2, 4 # 260

***PASSING THE PEACE**

The Peace of the Lord be with you! **People:** And also with you.

CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the ages, you have been faithful to us, but we have not been faithful to you. You have established covenants with us, but we have not upheld our part. We have distorted your word for our own gain. We have claimed you as exclusively ours. We have focused on power more than discipleship. We beg your forgiveness. Reform us again and make us into the image of your true church.

***GRATEFUL RESPONSE**

Jesus loves me this I know. For the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong, they are weak, but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so!

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 3:19-28

Leader: And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Kathy Nealand

“The Verdict that Changes Everything”

THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

***OFFERING RESPONSE**

Doxology

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

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

HOLY COMMUNION

SONG

"Just As I am Without one Plea" vs. 1, 2, 4

#370

WORDS OF INVITATION & GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also, with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE

Pastor: And so we raise our voices in praise singing Holy, Holy, Holy:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

(Sanctus)

J. M. S.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly

Lord God of power and might.

Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry.

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord Most

High. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is He that come-th in the name of the

Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est!

MYSTERY OF THE FAITH

All: Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION PRAYER

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe, for you have satisfied our souls with this feast of your grace. Keep us faithful in your service until your realm of glory comes; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SENDING

***SONG**

"Song of Hope"

#432

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

BOLD TEXT – All participate

* - Stand if you are able

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