*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.

Pastoral 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.

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Ordination and Installation of Carl Young (see insert)

Thanksgiving Litany (see insert)



*All Who Are Able Please Stand | + Ushers Will Seat Latecomers



A Service for the Worship of God November 23, 2025 11:00 AM

Thanksgiving Sunday



Bob Burroughs 2024

To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and need comfort,
To all who are lonely and need friendship,
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide its doors
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.

Sanctuary: 410 Church Street

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Striking of the Hour

Choral Introit

Welcome & Call to Worship - Psalm 100..... Elder Geneva Baxley

Shout joy to the Lord, all the earth,

Serve the Lord with gladness, Enter God's presence with joy!

Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong,

We are the flock–God's people.

Enter the temple gates, the courtyard with thanks and praise;

Give thanks and bless God's name.

Indeed the Lord is good!

God's love is forever, faithful from age to age.



Despite its familiar Thanksgiving associations, the real concern of this text is to recall the harvest imagery Jesus used to describe the fulfillment of God's sovereignty. The tune name commemorates the royal chapel where the composer was organist for forty-seven years.

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, we dare to call you Lord, but give to you only fragments of our lives. You had nowhere to lay your head, while we surround ourselves with comfort. We expect to serve you with what remains after we have indulged our desires. Forgive our greed, our lack of trust, our desire to pick the times and places we will respond to your call. In your abundant mercy teach us what it means to serve you as we share our lives with others.

(Let us continue in prayer silently)

Congregational Response

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord. Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*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.

Anthem Jordan Plair, Music Director Lily Cooper, Organist	
Children's Sermon	
Passing of the Peace	
Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian le The fellowship of kindred minds is like to th	
Epistle Lesson	Philippians 4:4-



The author wrote this text when only nineteen years old in response to a request from the organist of the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City, who wanted another Thanksgiving text to sing to this Dutch tune. He regarded the usual text (see no. 336) as too full of conflict.

TEXT: Julia C. Cory, 1902, alt.
MUSIC: Neder-landtsch Gedenck-Clanck, 1626; harm. Eduard Kremser, 1877

KREMSER 12.11.12.11 (this tune in a lower key, 336)

Torah Lesson Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Dr. Patrick Perryman



THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS CLASS OF 2028 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA

THE OFFICE OF DEACON

Carl Young

ORDER FOR ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

I do.

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?

I do.

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

I do and I will.

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

I will.

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

I will.

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?

I will.

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

I do.

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

I will.

To Deacons:

Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need? In your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

I will.

Do we, the members of First Presbyterian Church of Beaufort, accept each of these as deacons and elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND PRAYER OF ORDINATION

WELCOME AND CHARGE

Thanksgiving Litany

Give thanks to the Lord, who is good.

God's love is everlasting.

Let us come before God with gratitude for the world entrusted to our care, for beauty seen and unseen, for harvests we did not create and mercies we did not earn.

Thank you, God.

For the stories that shape us for ancestors who wandered, for our own immigrant memories, for the strangers who remind us who we are, and the neighbors who teach us Your welcome.

Thank you, God.

For homes and families, for friends and communities, for children and their bright questions, for youth and their restless hope, for age and the wisdom of years.

Thank you, God.

For all who come to us from elsewhere the newcomer, the immigrant, the refugee, the ones we once feared or ignored, yet through whom You bless us again and again.

We thank You, God.

For Your church for the good news shared in Word and Sacrament, for fellowship that crosses boundaries, for the call to be a house of prayer for all peoples.

We praise You, God.

And above all, for Jesus Christ who welcomed the outsider, who broke bread with strangers, who lived, died, and lives again to make us one people in Your love.

We thank and praise You, Eternal God, for all Your goodness to us.

Give thanks to the Lord, who is good.

God's love is everlasting.



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who join us for worship today. If you are without a church home, you will be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. We are glad you are here! Please like us on Facebook and visit our website at www.firstpresbeaufort.org for sermons, news, and current events.

TODAY THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN by the flower committee, in joyful thanks for the abundance of God's love and the blessings of this season.

POINSETTIAS WILL BE USED TO DECORATE THE SANCTUARY FOR WORSHIP.

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor of, or in memory of a loved one, please return this completed form to the church office or place in the offering plate with \$20.00 for each one ordered. Poinsettias must be paid for in advance and may be picked up after the worship service on Sunday, Dec. 21st or after the Christmas Eve services.

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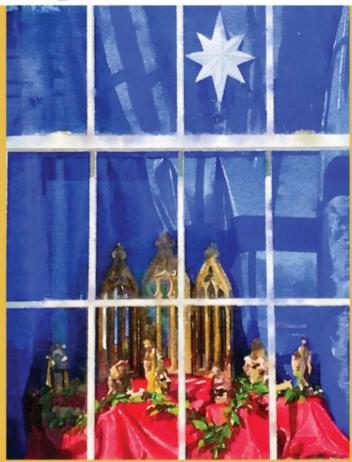
Annual Nativity Celebration December 5-7

Docents & Greeters Needed



Scan to Volunteer





14th Annual Nativity Celebration

December 5-6 10:00am-4:00pm December 7 12:00-3:00pm

All are welcome for this FREE community event celebrating the Christmas story with more than 150 nativities from around the world.

Historic Downtown Beaufort 1201 North Street





CHRISTMAS ON THE RIVER

Saturday, December 13th

llam-lpm

96 Old Oyster Factory Road
(Habersham)

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5PM

FEATURING THE FPC CHILDREN'S CHOIR

7PM

FEATURING THE FPC CHANCEL CHOIR & BRASS

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