



-MORNING WORSHIP 7th Sunday After Pentecost

July 24, 2022 10:00 AM

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY LENT | EASTER | **PENTECOST**



Welcome to all who gather to worship this day!

It is our hope that you feel the warmth of God's presence and welcome here. If this is your first time joining us, we are honored by your presence and hope to see you again soon! To stay informed, scan the QR

code or visit **www.firstchurchlh.org** and subscribe to our weekly email. There's a lot going on here, and we want you to be a part of it!

- About the Service -

Worship services are filmed for later access on Facebook and our church website. As a courtesy to our viewers, please refrain from loud conversation once the prelude begins.

The People's words are in **bold text**. *Indicates that the congregation may stand.

Offering plates are in the Narthex (sanctuary entrance) before and after worship. Because of your generosity, First Church makes a difference in our neighborhood and world. As we like to say, we are "blessed to be a blessing"!



a member congregation of:

The Presbytery of Florida, The Synod of South Atlantic, and The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

The Session (spiritual leaders of the congregation):

Moderator: **The Rev. Lisa W. Martin** Clerk of Session: **Rosa Stanley**

Class Of 2022: Rich Kangas, Steve Gabbard

Class Of 2023: **Huey Hayes, Ann Fyfe**Class Of 2024: **Don Mowat, Kathy Welsh**

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS, arr. Brad Thoreson

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING SONG (Hymn 175)

"Seek Ye First" (verses 1 and 2)

LAFFERTY

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 85)

Let us behold the goodness of God!

Generous God, show us your steadfast love and faithfulness.

Grant us your salvation and let us hear your words of peace.

Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

May God revive us once more, so that we will live secure in our land.

*HYMN 31

"Let Us with a Gladsome Mind"

MONKLAND

*OPENING PRAYER

God of the ages, we join our voices in gladness and praise, for you are worthy of all that is good within us. We live by the hope of your promises, seek to follow the way of Christ, and rely on the gifts of your Spirit as we worship and serve you. Help us to lean on you as we live for you. In Christ we pray. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we have sinned before you and others. We seek peace and comfort in our lives, yet ignore the needs of those around us. We live in ways that bring chaos and calamity to our neighbors near and far. Forgive us, we pray. Cleanse us from sin and show us your steadfast love once more, so that we may seek unity and peace for all creation. In Christ we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Through the saving power of Christ, God forgives all our sins. We are alive! We are forgiven! And we can be at peace. Brothers and sisters, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

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.

We experience God's Word

GOSPEL

Luke 11:1-13

NT, p. 98, softback

p. 840, hardback

MESSAGE

"Teach Us to Pray"

Rev. Lisa Martin

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

See back

SWEET HOUR

*DECLARATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. Loving the world, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home. God is faithful still.

PIANO MEDITATION

"The Lord's Prayer"

Albert Hay Malotte

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

WE DEPART TO SERVE THE RISEN LORD

*HYMN 452

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

OPEN THE EYES

POSTLUDE

"Hallelujah! Revive Us Again"

REVIVE US AGAIN



ANNOUNCMENTS

- July 24 -

Everyone is welcome to the Fellowship Hall after worship for refreshments and conversation! If you'd like to sign up to bring light refreshments some Sunday, check out the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board just inside the Fellowship Hall.

Our Christian sympathy is extended to Sandy and Todd Byers on the death last Wednesday of her mother, Ruling Elder Wanda Wallace. May God bless all who grieve.

Many thanks to those who packed Toiletry Kits last week! With all the donated supplies, we packed _____ kits to be used for local shelter-vulnerable people. We're receiving small sizes of toiletry items all summer, so keep bringing them in!

Administrative Assistant Aline Trussell has emailed 2nd quarter giving statements. If you have not received yours or have questions about what you did receive, please contact Aline at the church office.

Handbell Choir will rehearse after worship today in the bell room, following fellowship time. The Chancel Choir will rehearse on Wednesday at 6 pm in the sanctuary.

Next Sunday we'll receive our monthly 2-Cents-a-Meal offering, which supports food insecurity ministries through First Church and The Presbytery of Florida. Last month we received \$618.35! What a blessing, to be able to help those who are hungry! Thank you for giving generously!

July-August-September devotionals are still available! You'll find copies of *These Days* and *Our Daily Bread* in the Narthex and Sanctuary Parlor. Please take and enjoy! While you're at it, take some to share with neighbors!



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