



**All are welcome, because God is Welcome!** Whether you are visiting for the first time or worship with us regularly, we are grateful you are here and pray you experience the grace, hospitality, and love of Christ in this community.

Announcements, online giving, weekly events, today's scripture readings, and opportunities for worship, fellowship, service, and spiritual growth are all available by scanning the QR code or visiting our website. Stay connected by signing up for *Faith Forward*, our *Weekly e-Alert*, online worship links, prayer updates, and more.

## ABOUT THE SERVICE

Worship services are recorded and available on Facebook and our church website.

\*Indicates that the congregation may rise in body or spirit. Words we all say are in **bold print**.

Today we will celebrate Holy Communion

Offering plates are available in the Narthex (sanctuary entrance) before and after worship, or you may give online by scanning the QR code. Thank you for helping to make Christ's love shown within our community and beyond. We are "blessed to be a blessing!"

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## CONNECTION, LEADERSHIP, AND STAFF

### WE ARE A CONGREGATION IN CONNECTION WITH

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

### THE SESSION

The Rev. Julie Thompson, Moderator, Bob Plank, Clerk of Session

*Elected spiritual leaders of this congregation:*

Claire Calohan ('28), Ann Fyfe ('26), Jennifer Hodges ('27), Steven McPherson ('28), Julian Wells ('26), Kathy Welsh ('27)

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## GOD WELCOMES US IN LOVE

### Chiming the Trinity

**Prelude** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* arr. Mark Hayes

**Words of Welcome and Community News** Rev. Julie Thompson

This is the Day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Gathering Song (Hymn 468)** Lord, Be Glorified

In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In your church, Lord, be glorified today.

In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.

In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

**\*Call to Worship** Steve McPherson

With Abraham and Sarah

**we gather to worship God.**

With the sinners, the saints, the broken, the whole:

**we all come seeking the One who offers grace and hope.**

With the doubters, the devout, the wonderers, the wanderers:

**we seek to follow the One who gives life and peace.**

God makes of us a great people.

**God's Holy name be praised.**

**\*Hymn 250** *In the Bulb There is a Flower* HYMN OF PROMISE

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we acknowledge our guilt,

and seek your face and your forgiveness.

For we have not offered steadfast love to you or each other.

We have not moved forward in faith,

but have allowed ourselves to be stifled by fear.

Revive us, raise us up, that we might live before you,

rejoicing in the knowledge of your love. Amen.

#### Declaration of Forgiveness

People of God, hear and believe the good news:

Christ came to bring healing, forgiveness, and new life to all who sin and suffer.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

### \*Joyful Response (Hymn 582)

*Glory To God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* 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.

## GOD INVITES US TO LISTEN

**First Reading** Romans 4:13-25 hardback, p. 912; softback NT, p. 207

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Summer Choir Anthem** *Jesus Lifted Me* Camp Kirkland

**Second Reading** Genesis 12:1-9 hardback, p. 8; softback OT, p. 17

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Message** "Blessed to Be a Blessing" Rev. Julie Thompson

## GOD MOVES US TO RESPOND

**\*Hymn 761** *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* BEECHER

**Invitation to Discipleship** Steve McPherson, Property Chair

**Moment of Generosity**  
*Behind the Scenes: Serving on the Property Committee*

**\*Doxology (Hymn 240)** ALLELUIA NO. 1

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

## GOD GATHERS US AT THE TABLE

### Invitation to the Lord's Table

#### The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise. ... *the prayer continues ...*

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.

### Words of Institution and Breaking of the Bread

### Communion of God's People

As you are able, please come forward by the center aisle for the elders to serve you a piece of bread and a cup of juice. Return to your seat with the elements, and wait to partake until we share them together as one body in Christ. If you prefer to remain seated, an elder will gladly bring communion to you.

### Music During Communion (Hymns 507 and 525)

### Prayer after Communion

## GOD SENDS US TO LIVE THE LOVE OF CHRIST

\*Hymn 743 (sung twice) O God, You are My God STEP BY STEP

### \*Benediction and Three-fold Amen

Postlude Toccata on "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Paul Fey

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

### Sunday, June 7 | Third Sunday after Pentecost

11 AM | Fellowship Time, Fellowship Hall  
12 PM | Coffee and the Word, Sanctuary Classroom

### Monday, June 8

6:15 PM | Panama City Pipes & Drums, Church Grounds

### Tuesday, June 9

5:30 PM | Men of the Church, Fellowship Hall  
6:15 PM | Gulftones Barbershop Chorus, Sanctuary

### Wednesday, June 10

12 PM | Presbyterian Women, Fellowship Hall  
7 PM | AA (Closed), Fellowship Hall

### Friday, June 12

6 PM | AA (Women's Open Meeting), Fellowship Hall

### Saturday, June 13

7 PM | AA (Open Meeting), Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, June 14 | Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8:45 AM | Coffee and the Word, Sanctuary Classroom  
9:00 AM | Summer Choir, Fellowship Hall  
10 AM | Morning Worship, Sanctuary  
11 AM | Fellowship Time, Fellowship Hall

## GOD CALLS US INTO COMMUNITY

**Welcome to worship on this Third Sunday after Pentecost.** Today we remember God's call to Abraham to trust God's promises and become a blessing to others. Scripture reminds us that God's gifts are meant to be shared so that all people might know grace, hope, and love. Whether you are here every week or joining us for the first time, you are welcome here. We are glad you are with us!

**Today we gather at Christ's table to share in the gift of Holy Communion.** Worshipers will be invited to come forward to receive the bread and cup served by the elders, then return to their seats so that we may partake together as one body in Christ. If you prefer to remain seated, communion will gladly be brought to you. All are welcome at the Lord's table.

**During today's Moment of Generosity,** we'll take a brief look at the ministry of the Property Committee, which helps care for and steward our church buildings and grounds. From maintenance and repairs to planning for future needs, this ministry supports the mission of First Church in countless ways. We'll also share ways you can become involved.

**The Session will meet today at noon** at the home of Ann and Jim Fyfe for a Session retreat including its regular meeting, training, and fellowship. Please keep our elders in your prayers as they seek God's wisdom and guidance for the ministry of First Church.

**We're happy to welcome a few new faces to the Summer Choir this morning!** There are still two more opportunities to sing this summer - June 28 and August 2, We'd love for you to join us!

**Presbyterian Men** will meet this Tuesday at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for bible study, potluck dinner, and fellowship.

**Presbyterian Women** will gather at noon on Wednesday for bible study and a light lunch.

**A Note of Thanks:** Dear FPCLH, Your generosity, kindness, and love throughout my high school years has guided me and pushed me more than any of you can imagine. Thank all so much for all that you guys have done for me. I appreciate all of you. Go Argos! -- Kelley Wells 😊

**If you'd like to learn about membership at First Church,** please reach out to Pastor Julie, Bob Plank, our Clerk of Session, or connect with any of our ruling elders. We'd be delighted to walk with you in this step of faith.

### LEADING WORSHIP TODAY:

The Chancel Choir  
Bradley Thoreson, *Organist, Music Director*  
Steve McPherson, *Lay Leader*  
Rev. Julie Thompson, *Transitional Pastor*

### ASSISTING TODAY:

Paula Pezdirtz and Marcia Burden, *Greeters*  
Rich Walker, *Church Safety Volunteer*  
Donna Yielding, *Sound Volunteer*

### ASSISTING NEXT WEEK:

Jan Rains and John Deegins, *Greeters*  
Julian Wells, *Church Safety Volunteer*  
Donna Yielding, *Sound Volunteer*



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# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

MORNING WORSHIP

June 7, 2026

10 AM

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY  
LENT | EASTER | PENTECOST