



FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
of Lynn Haven



"Ordinary Time"

- MORNING WORSHIP -

16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 25, 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"!



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*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**

### - CHURCH STAFF & CONTACT INFORMATION -

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# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

## PRELUDE

Brad Thoreson

“All My Hope on God Is Founded”

MICHAEL

## CHIMING THE HOUR

## WORDS OF WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Roy Martin

## CENTERING SONG (Hymn 701)

“Lord, Prepare Me”

SANCTUARY

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
sanctuary for you.

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 91

*When they call to me, I will answer them, says the Lord.*

**I will be with my people in times of trouble.**

*I will rescue them and honor them.*

**With thanksgiving and praise, we worship God this day!**

## \*HYMN 307

“God of Grace, and God of Glory”

CWM RHONDDA

## \*OPENING PRAYER

**Eternal God, we worship you this day. Pour on us your power, that we may fight the good fight of life until we rest eternally secure in your heavenly kingdom. In Christ we pray. Amen.**

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. 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.

PIANO MEDITATION

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

W. Doane, arr. Lura Foster

## WE EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 16:19-31

NT, p. 108, softback

p. 847, hardback

EPISTLE LESSON

I Timothy 6:6-19

NT, p. 285, softback

p. 965, hardback

MESSAGE

“Keep in Touch”

Rev. Dr. Roy Martin

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

\*HYMN 738

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

MARYTON

\*DECLARATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, who promises to be with us always, in all our seasons of life. We believe God wants to fill us with Sabbath rest and renewal, so that we may participate fully in Christ’s ministry to the world, showing that God’s love is stronger than our fears, more enduring than our worries, and deeper than our despair. We believe in the Holy Spirit, working for good, bringing hope, encouraging justice, building peace, promoting healing, and creating joy. We believe that God is at work in this community of prayers and do-ers. Thanks be to God!

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 846

“Fight the Good Fight”

DUKE STREET

\*BENEDICTION

\*THREE-FOLD AMEN

DANISH

POSTLUDE

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

LANCASHIRE

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

– SEPTEMBER 25 –

**Today we welcome The Rev. Dr. Roy Martin** as he leads us in worship. Roy is General Presbyter for the Presbytery of Florida and a wonderful friend of this congregation. While Pastor Lisa recuperates from eye surgery, please reach out to Rosa Stanley, clerk of session, for pastoral needs.

**Today we receive our 2-Cents-a-Meal offering** which supports food insecurity ministries of our congregation and the Presbytery of Florida. Because of your generosity, we are a blessing to food-insecure students and their families at Lynn Haven Elementary School. August's offering was \$601.29! Thank you!

**Devotional booklets for October – December are available** in the Narthex. Please take and be blessed! Take some to share, as well, thus being a blessing to others!

**Next Sunday we celebrate World Communion Sunday!** As we gather at the table of grace with brothers and sisters around the world, please ready your hearts and minds to receive “the gifts of God for the people of God”.

**The Fall Fellowship Hour calendar is ready for volunteers!** It's fun to provide light refreshments after worship, so please consider signing up! The calendar is located just inside the Fellowship Hall door. The more who sign up the merrier! 😊

**The Chancel Choir rehearses each Wednesday at 6 pm!** Are you looking for a fun way to get involved at First Church? The Chancel Choir is always looking for new singers to join our group of joyful noisemakers! Contact Brad or just come to a rehearsal in the sanctuary on Wednesdays.

**The Handbell Choir rehearses on most Sundays** following Fellowship Time. You do not need to know how to read music (but that's always a plus), all you need is a heart to worship God through these unique and beautiful instruments. Contact Brad at [bradfpclh@gmail.com](mailto:bradfpclh@gmail.com) to sign up!



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