

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Melick

Response:

Pastor: Fill us with your Spirit's power,

All: that we may be one with Christ, as Christ is one with you.

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.

***Sending Hymn #826** *Lift High the Cross*

***Charge and Benediction**

Rev. Melick

***Congregational Response** *Threefold Amen* Hymn #601

This Week at FPC

May 17 – Special Music by Arnah Rudicil and Tesha Smith
May 17 – Session Meeting
May 20 – 7:00pm, Choir Practice
May 21 – 6:30pm, Elizabeth Circle

Mark Your Calendars

May 24 – Pentecost Sunday – Wear Red
May 24 – Sandwich Ministry following service
May 25 – Memorial Day (Office Closed)
May 28 – 6:30, Elizabeth Circle
May 31 – Brunch Church, sign up at Information Table
June 4-5 – Rummage Sale
June 21 – Youth Mission Trip, Copperhill, TN
June 28 – Big Backyard BBQ, following service

HIT Foundation – We are doing a program at the HIT Foundation called Project GRIP where we will be installing grab bars for local seniors. We are looking for volunteers; (we need 10). There is \$150 stipend available to those who do the installs and all training, tools and materials will be provided. Please contact 937-472-0500 if you are able to help.

Common Good Food Bank - They are in need of the following:
Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Protein, Breakfast Foods, Canned Soup

Blessing Box – Pop top meals, breakfast bars, fruit cups and hygiene items.

Mission Rummage Sale – We are now accepting donations for the Rummage Sale. You can bring Monday-Thursday 10-2 or on Sundays. Heavy items, please call the church and make arrangements. Date for the sale is June 4th & 5th.

Prayers of First Presbyterian Church Family and Friends
"Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you"
 ~Jeremiah 29:12

In our continuing prayers:

Countries at War
 Sarah Gregg - continuing cancer treatment, Cy Acheson's granddaughter
 Cy – pray for strength and healing
 Logan Eifort – stable but still needs prayers, Keith & Chris Jones grandson
 Stacey Creech – prayers for breast cancer treatment, Margie's friend
 Jack & Nancy Turner – recovering at home
 Deb Tinstman – lymphoma, Molly Hurd's aunt
 Ron Mickelson – continuing prayers
 Diane Kasten – recovery at home

Remember and Uphold:

Diane Kline – Vancrest
 Alice Lindley

Our at Home Shut-ins

Marge Jordan, Julia Withrow, Zoe Barnes

For our Nation and those who serve

Church Members & Friends In The Service

Mac Altom/U.S. Army	Zack Pool/ Air Force
Addam Moore/ U.S. Marines	Jeremy Barnes/ Navy
Tanner Crabtree/ Army	Brett Barnes / Navy
Cameron Rife / U.S. Navy	Laura Soper/ Air Force Reserve
Nicholas Rife / U.S. Navy	Cliff Garey / Navy
Grant Davis / Army Reserve	Ryan Kiracofe / Air Force
Richard (Alex) Trogdon/ Navy	Drew Roach / Navy
Grace Wagner/Basic Training	Ryan Hall / Army
Miguel Martinez/Army Reserve- Active now	Justin McIntosh, Army National Guard
Michael Richwald, Air Force National Guard	

Please contact our prayer chain coordinator, Ann Murray, 937-336-0116, email: annmurray916@yahoo.com, call the church office, 937-456-3754, office@eatonfpc.org, or drop a note in the offering plate with updates.

Special Music *The God Who Sees* Arnah Rudicil & Tesha Smith

Children's Message *The Apostles' Creed* Rev. Melick

Prayer for Illumination Tesha Smith

New Testament Scripture Reading Acts 1:6-14

Response:

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Seeking Guidance Together* Rev. Melick

***Reflection Hymn #268** *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed* Rev. Melick

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 Spirit, 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 at 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 Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Our Tithes and Offerings Rev. Melick

Offertory Music

***The Doxology #606**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

**First Presbyterian Church
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026**

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Melick

Prelude

Call to Worship Ps. 68:1-10, 32-25

Tesha Smith

Liturgist: Let the righteous be joyful, Let them rejoice before God.

All: Let us all be jubilant with joy!

Liturgist: Sing to God, all peoples of the world. Sing praises to God most high.

All: From the sanctuary of heaven, God gives life and renews the face of the earth.

Liturgist: Let the righteous be joyful! Let them rejoice before God.

All: Let us all be jubilant with joy!

***Opening Hymn #265** *Jesus Shall Reign*

Litany of Confession and Passing of the Peace

Tesha Smith

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we confess that we do not always bring honor and glory to your name. We are rebellious and weak; we flee before your goodness. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us by the grace and mercy of Christ, that we may rise up again in peace to love and serve your world. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness and Passing of the Peace

Liturgist: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

***Our Response of Praise – #581** *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.

WORSHIP AT HOME

Question for Reflection

Where have you experienced God's welcome in your life? Where have you experienced God's welcome in your church? If we are to be one with Christ, as Christ is one with God, how can your church become a more compelling witness to God's radical invitation to homecoming?

Household Prayer: Morning

Delivering God,
you have safely brought me to this new day.
Keep me free from all dangers, perils, and troubles.
By the power of your Spirit, strengthen my focus as I seek to follow Christ and to humbly serve your truth. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Redeeming God, by your mighty hand you have safely brought me to this night, and for this and all other mercies, I give you thanks.
Post your angels around me this night that I may rest in peace. Amen.

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First Presbyterian Church



May 17, 2026

Our Mission:

*Listening to God's call, following in the way of Jesus
and serving neighbors through the Spirit.*

~Approved by Session November 2016



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