



Growing the Beloved Community

We actively engage society to nurture lives,
cherish creation, and heal the world



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!
All are truly welcome,
and we believe our community is made stronger
by your presence and uniqueness.



May 4, 2025

“Recognizing Jesus”

Luke 24:28-35

TODAY

- 10:00am **Worship**- Sanctuary
- 10:00am **Children’s Program**—Begins at Worship in Sanctuary
- 9:45-11:15am **Childcare available**
- 11:15-**Conversation and Potluck** to follow in Pope Hall

Parking Availability

- *County building (FPC parking pass only)
- *Free street parking
- *Convention Center (paid parking only)

Hearing impaired

- *Sanctuary is set up with a T-coil operation

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY

- 7:30am **Morning Prayer and Coffee**- McFarland Chapel and Pope Hall A
- 5:30pm **Celtic Evensong Worship**-Sanctuary and via Zoom

FRIDAY

- Friday Bible Study**-11:00am, Rendon
- 5:30pm **TGIF Concert**-Sanctuary, Sin Nombre Brass Quintet

SATURDAY MAY 10TH

- 8:30am Prepared by Men Breakfas- Guest Speaker, Betty Sisneros Shover Presents: Understanding and Supporting Mental Health

SUNDAY MAY 11TH MOTHER’S DAY

- 8:30-9:30am **MorningSong—Rooftop Garden**
- 8:15-12:15pm **Childcare available**
- 8:30-9:30am **Children’s Program**— Begins on Rooftop Garden for Worship
- 9:45-10:45am **Adult Education**—McFarland Chapel, Changes in our Pastoral Leadership-Join us for a “Listening Session”
- 11:00am **Worship**— Sanctuary

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in A Major, BWV 536

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Rev. Harry Eberts

‡HYMN 409 **God is Here!** vs. 1, 3

OPENING PRAYER
(**bold** in unison)
by John Birch,
faithandworship.com
adapted

For the right roads we avoided traveling,
and the kindly words we refused to share;
For the false gods who received our worship
and the true selves we have starved of love . . .
Forgive us.

Ellery Truesdell

For all we should be and all we can amend,
God, in your love,
Renew us.

For the life of the world and love of its people,
God, in your love,
Commit us.

God have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us.
God have mercy on us.

Hear and believe these words of Jesus:

You are forgiven. Go in peace. Follow me.
Amen.

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Rev. Andrew Black

HYMN 701 ***Lord, Prepare Me***

‡BLESSING **In body, mind, and spirit, may you be well this day.
And may you be strong for the work of healing in the
world.**

COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise...
With heavenly choirs and the faithful of every time and
place we say together:

SANCTUS HYMN 552 ***Holy, Holy, Holy***

**DISTRIBUTION OF
COMMUNION**

(communion wafers are gluten free)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:28-35 pew bible p. 90 Ellery Truesdell

The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *You Are Welcome* Marty Parks

REFLECTION "Recognizing Jesus" Rev. Harry Eberts

‡HYMN 770 *I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table*

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises vs. 1,3
538

‡DOXOLOGY 607 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*
Sing words that are meaningful to you

‡PRAYER OF DEDICATION May the gifts we offer this day, Kind God, bring joy to
Thom M. Shuman those whose mornings are hopeless, feed those who
noontimes are filled with hunger, and bring peace to
those whose nights are surrounded by fears and
worries. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LIGHTING OF PRAYER *Navajo Vocab for Piano no. 2* Connor Chee
CANDLES

LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**INTRODUCTION OF
NEW MEMBERS**

WELCOME VISITORS

‡PASSING OF THE PEACE

‡HYMN 302 *When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace* vs. 1,3,5

‡BENEDICTION Rev. Harry Eberts

POSTLUDE *Fugue in d minor, BWV 539* J.S. Bach

SERVING TODAY

Officiants: Rev. Dr. Harry Eberts
 Rev. Andrew Black
 Liturgist: Ellery Truesdell
 Organist/Music Director: Dr. Linda Raney
 Assistant Organist: David Solem
 Assistant Choir Director & Cantor: Travis Bregier

WORSHIP COORDINATORS

Worship & Music: Diane Buchanan
 Ushers: Allen Gullledge
 Liturgical Arts: Judith Haines
 Communion: Alice Tinkle
 Jean Withers
 Welcome Ministry: Sharon Kirby

ELDERS SERVING IN 2025

Rick Andrew	Gary Murphy	Erin Taylor
Sharon Eklund	Juanita Thorne-Connerty	Mark Bixby
Mary Gullledge	Dick Lindahl	Darryl Bowman
Janice Mayer	Roger Said	Judi Haines,
Melissa Mitchell		Clerk of Session

DEACONS SERVING IN 2025

Alvin Baca	Sharon Marrs	Ellery Truesdell
Bruce Goslin	Tom Mott	Kelly Truesdell
Leslie Goslin	George Parr	M'lea Walsh
Christina Hill	Steve Stimmel	Heather Weir
Arlena Jackson		Mary Norris, Moderator

We pray for:

Alice Tinkle	Rob Smillow (friend of Elizabeth and Alan Hook)
Juanita Thorne-Connerty	For the family and Friends of Dave Amos (husband of Mary Ann Amos)
Malissa and Larry Haslam	Patricia Kingston (Tom's and Sue's sister-in-law)
Lynne West	David Moody (friend of Dennis Sanderson)
Nancy Armbruster	Eva Reneau (mother of Donna Shands)
Annetta Grace-Darmitzel	Gayle Green and her family (friends of Madeleine Wright)
Teresa Bremer	Mary Ann and Greg Edwards (friends of Leah Pallman)
Mary Lou Williams	Ona Larson Malleck (sister of Lelah Larson)
Bill Gee	Elaine Lea (mother of Leah Paalman)
Sara Romer	Simon Bredbeck (great nephew of Janis Chitwood)
Chuck Poitras	Carolyn Bell (mother of Rebecca Hodges)
Jennifer Elliott	Daniel Weir (son of Heather Weir)
Steve Kinnett	

And we pray for our ministry partners:

Westminster Presbyterian Church
The Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis

Episcopal Church of the Holy Faith
Sagua la Grande Church, Cuba

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