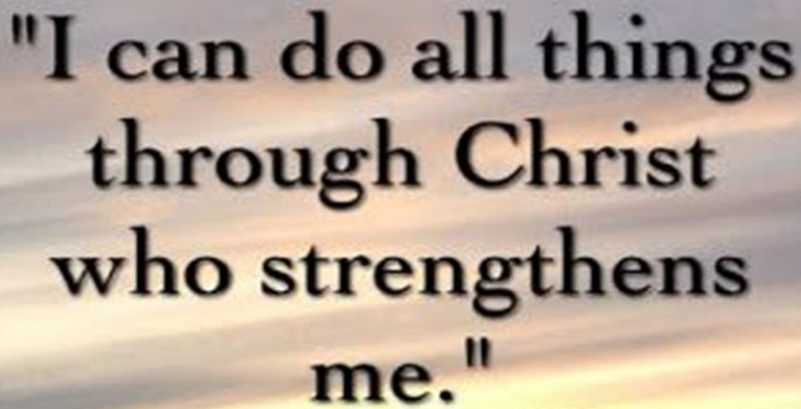


First Presbyterian Church

5401 South Claiborne Avenue
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November 10, 2024

Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



"I can do all things
through Christ
who strengthens
me."

Philippians 4:13

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11:00 am

Writing in **bold** is for the congregation response.

*Please stand as you are able.

Please silence your phones during worship service.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 146)

Leader: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live.

Leader: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

People: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

Leader: Whose hope is in the Lord their God.

**People: Who made heaven and earth, the sea,
and all that is in them.**

Leader: Who keeps faith forever.

People: Who executes justice for the oppressed.

Leader: Who gives food to the hungry.

People: **Praise the Lord!**

*HYMN 401 “Gather Us In”

CALL TO RECONCILIATION (from Psalm 27)

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

UNISON PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

Lord God, we worry too much sometimes. We worry about things we can do nothing about. We use our time and energy on foolish things when we shouldn't be wasting the precious time on this earth you have given us. Lord, help us to be good stewards of our lives and our resources. All are gifts from you. Help us to remember what's really important. Help us to trust that you will take care of the things we can't.

Silent Prayer

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (from Lamentations 3:22-23)

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning. Great is the Lord's faithfulness. Know you are forgiven, and be at peace.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

Response: And also with you!

HEARING THE WORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH MOMENT "This Little light of Mine"

**This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

ANTHEM: "There's a Church Within Us, O Lord" Kent Schneider

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5 (pg. 592)

Liturgist: The word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God

New Testament Reading

Philippians 4:10-13 (pg. 954)

Speaker: The word of the Lord

Congregation: Thanks be to God

SERMON "Through Christ Who Strengthens Me"

Rev. Kathleen Crighton

* HYMN 697 "Take My Life"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Glory to God Presbyterian Hymnal pg. 35

SHARING THE WORD WITH THE WORLD

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY Avery & Marsh

**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. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(...Now, please be with us as we conclude this time with the prayer, taught to us by your son, saying...)

ALL 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.

*HYMN 700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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LEADERSHIP IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

PREACHING: Rev. Kathleen Crighton

LITURGIST: Billye Constance

PIANIST: Amanda Wadsworth

YOUTH MOMENT: elder, Lydia Pollard

OFFERING: elders, Henry and Diane Kleinfeldt

BELL RINGER: deacon, David Rabinowitz

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YOUTH GROUP

Today after worship service the Youth Group will meet for their regularly scheduled meeting in the conference room.

PUMPKIN PATCH

Also, after worship service today The Pumpkin Patch end of the year meeting will be held in room 207.
All are welcome to attend.

FPCNO THIS WEEK

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| Monday | 7pm-9pm | “Carrollton” AA Group | Fellowship Hall |
| Tuesday | 9am-11am
7pm-9pm | Program of Hope (setup)
“Big Easy” AA Group | Sanctuary
Fellowship Hall |
| Wednesday | 9am-10:30am
11am-1pm
7pm-9pm | Program of Hope
Gurdjieff Group
Dancing Amigos | Sanctuary
Fellowship Hall
Fellowship Hall |
| Thursday | 7pm-9pm | MCC | Fellowship Hall |
| Saturday | 10am-2pm | Gurdjieff Group | Fellowship Hall |
| Sunday | 9:45am -10:15am
10am-11am
11am-12pm | F.P.C Adult Bible Study
M.C.C Sunday Service
F.P.C Sunday Service | Conference Rm.
Fellowship Hall
Sanctuary |



Prayer List

Please pray for these
Individuals and their families.



PRAYERS FOR PEACE

Dianne Wickes, Kathy's friend, the surgeon was unable to remove the cancerous tumor. Prayers for her family.

Kimberly Benberry-Jones a co-worker of Peter Cho. Her mother died.

Anton Constance, FPCNO young adult member attending Babson College in Massachusetts.

The Horn family, Mike, Angela, Ethan, and Jack.

Emily Ruppel, FPCNO member attending Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

RECOVERING

Bruce Mather, recovering from a recent procedure.

Mary Frances Brashears, recovering from surgery.

Marshal Fisher, recovering from sinus surgery.

George Cheatle; Linda Robertson; Tom Tatum; Sandra Sarr.

ILLNESS

Lucy Scinocco, Louanne's mom cancer is starting to become aggressive.

Delilah Ballou, sister of Billye Constance, complications after surgery.

Bruce Robertson, facing cancer treatments.

Bijoux, Amanda's Wadsworth dog, has heart failure.

Nancy Wadsworth, back in the hospital.

Wilma Lejeune, sister of Linda Robertson, dealing with cancer.

Wendy Grasel, sister-in-law of Kristy Ruppel, had a stroke.

Bob Sarradet, Canna's stepfather is having health issues.

Mahmoud Aslanbaigi, Marjan's father has had cancer surgery.

OUR HOMEBOUND FAMILY

Adrian (Tudy) Manson, at her home.

Linda Donato' assisted living, Sherri Hutton's mom.

DEATHS

Charlotte Schrader, mother-in-law of Mark Van Hala.

Jennings Hutton, Sherri Hutton's dad.

Nancy Hooker, aunt of Mark Van Hala's wife.

Troxel Ballou, Ken Allen's uncle.

Suni McMath, mother of Sydney McMath.

Eleanore Valek, mother of Dave Rabinowitz and Dani Tracey.

James Bailey Henderson Jr., Cheryl's brother, and Chris's uncle.



WELCOME VISITORS!

We Are Glad You Are Here

We welcome you to historic, progressive First Presbyterian Church this morning! Even if you are just visiting the city, we want you to feel welcome in our community and to involve yourself in the life of this place. Here are a few things to get you up to speed.

- If you are a visitor or guest we invite you to sign the visitor/guest register which is located in the Narthex and/or sign the guest/visitors card located in your bulletin and put in the offering plate. We care about you and want to know who you are.
- A bathroom is available (with a changing table) at the back of the church in the left hand alcove as you face the entrance doors.
- During the time of the passing of the peace, some may be comfortable with hugs, laughs, and conversation, but others may not. Please be respectful of one another's comfort levels. If you would prefer to maintain a social distance, you may pass the peace by folding your arms, making a peace sign, or whatever is comfortable for you.
- **Great news!** We have resumed having coffee available in the narthex before, during, and after worship. Big thanks to our elder, Henry Kleinfeldt for preparing the coffee! We are also offering snacks. Feel free to donate your favorite kinds and leave them on the table beside the coffee fixings.
- We were the first "More Light" congregation in New Orleans and now are the first congregation to be a member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians in New Orleans. Which means we welcome not only the membership, but the leadership and talents of all genders, abilities, races, and sexual orientations.
- We appreciate the spiritual and financial support your attendance brings. If you wish, you may put cash or a check in the offering plate that will be passed towards the end of the service. If you would like to use a credit card or PayPal to make a secure donation to the Program of Hope or the Capital Campaign, you can go to the church's website, www.fpcno.org and click on the links on the right hand side of the home page.

EQUALITY



FOR ALL

Please like us on Facebook at facebook.com/fpcno and also follow us on X (formerly Twitter) at <https://x.com/fpcno>.

We don't have an official church newsletter, but you can find updates on our Facebook page (above) and website, www.fpcno.org.

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