



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Helen Hutchison, Pastor

Charles Tuttle, liturgist

August 2, 2026

Andrew Morris, organ

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Friendship Pads: Please help us maintain good communication with all our members and guests by completing the Friendship Register as it is passed from the end of each pew. Please let us know the best way to communicate with you. Be sure to greet folks new to you at the end of worship!

Cards of Encouragement: Blue cards found in the pew rack ~ please put in offering plate and we will send them out in the mail.

Congregational Introit

For the Beauty of the Earth (vs. 3 and 4)
DIX.

Glory to God #14

* Call to Worship

One: Leader: We yearn to be in the presence of the Holy One,

All: To linger in the house of prayer,

One: To walk beside still streams,

All: To behold the radiance of creation,

One: To sing as matches our joy,

All: To offer our sacrifice of service,

One: To dwell all our days enfolded in the love of God,

All: To praise God with our deeds and melodies.

* Hymn of Praise

The God of Abraham Praise
LEONI

Glory to God #49

* Call To Confession

Charles Tuttle, liturgist

One: It is in our confession where we realize our desire for God and our hope for God's mercy. It is in admitting the truth of our lives that we take the first step toward wholeness and healing. So let us make our confession:

* Litany of Confession

Charles Tuttle, liturgist

One: Lord of all grace and God of all glory, we praise you, for you alone are God. We praise you for the wonder and expanse of your creation.

All: For the delightful, delight-filled variety of your creatures, including humankind, we give you thanks and praise.

One: We give you thanks and praise, O God. For you called us out, even when we did not know your name. You saved us, even when we did not, do not deserve such a gift. You continue to be with us, loving us, sustaining us, responding to us with grace.

All: Time and again, we stumble and fall in our haste to get away from you. But still you are there, helping us up, brushing us off, healing our bumps and bruises and scrapes and scratches.

One: And yet, we confess that sometimes we make it all too neat and easy and orderly for ourselves. We no longer stumble, for we are neither bold enough to run away from you nor courageous enough to run to you.

All: Forgive us when you simply become a part of our routine -- safe, comfortable, predictable. Forgive us, O Lord, when we would rather read the guidebooks and watch the travelogue than risk traveling this journey of faith ourselves.

One: Hear, O God, the cries of our hearts. Hear the cries of this your creation -- the cries for freedom, the cries for hope, the cries of the hungry and the thirsty who long to be filled.

All: Hear our cries, O Lord. Heal us and help us on the way to being your people, that we, too, might hear the cries of creation; that we might also bring healing and hope to this world. Amen.

- * **Silent Prayers of Confession**
- * **Pouring the Water**
- * **Words of Forgiveness** Charles Tuttle, liturgist
 One: God is with us. God brings us peace and forgiveness. God brings us opportunities new and fresh every day!
- * **Passing the Peace** Charles Tuttle, liturgist
 One: Knowing the grace and mercy of the Lord, we share it with one another.
 The peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.
(Please greet one another and exchange signs of peace and reconciliation.)
- * **Hymn** GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father
Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.
- Prayer of Illumination** Charles Tuttle, liturgist
 Holy One, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Spirit, that, as the scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**
- Reading from the Psalter** Charles Tuttle, liturgist
 Psalm 145
- Gospel Reading** Charles Tuttle, liturgist
 Luke 19:37-40
- Sermon** Helen Hutchison
"Psalms of Praise"
- Hymn** **Glory to God** #108

Of the Father's Love Begotten
 DIVINUM MYSTERIUM
- The Offering** Andrew Morris, organist
- * **Doxology** **Glory to God** #606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heav'nly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
- * **Prayer of Dedication**
- Sacrament of Holy Communion**
Invitation to the Lord's Table
Words of institution
Communion of the People
 As the ushers direct your row, please come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread and the cup.
 You will partake of communion at the front and return to your seats by the south aisle.
 Communion will be taken to those who wish to remain in their seats.
- Prayer of the People and 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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.
- * **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostle's Creed (Traditional Version)
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 Ghost, 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 on 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 Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

* Closing Hymn

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!
DARWALL'S 148TH

Glory to God #363

* Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Andrew Morris, organist

* Stand as you are able – in spirit or in body

Welcome!

We encourage everyone to come as you are, be who you are, and be in community with us! Whether you are joining us virtually or in person; we are happy to have you with us anytime! If you are new to First Presbyterian Church, please let us know you are here by signing the **Friendship Pad**. If you are worshipping with us online either live or recorded, please **email us at linda@firstpreslawrence.org** letting us know you joined us in worship. We look forward to getting to know you. If you are interested in membership, please talk to Pastor Helen.

Prayer List

Cares, Concerns and Celebrations

- **Dwight Schoneweis**, Mark's brother, died on July 18th in Arlington, Texas. Prayers for the family.
- **Sandra Nease** is now receiving hospice care in Denver, CO where she lives with Don.
- **Robert Mugridge** asks for our prayers for his mother, Mary Morris following the death of her husband, **Bruce Humphreys**.
- **Ann McMillian**, mother of **Annette Camlin**, has moved to Hospice House in Omaha, NE. Prayers for her family as they face this time of sadness.
- **Kristi McAlister** continues to receive cancer treatments. Kristi and Pat McAlister (her mother) are grateful for our continued prayers and support.
- **Betty Thomas**, **Joy Laird's mother**, is receiving hospice care at Presbyterian Manor. Prayers please.
- **Diana Schoneweis' great nephew, Luke (12)**, completed chemotherapy Prayers for healing.
- **George Crump** asks for our prayers as he navigates life issues.
- **Sammie Locke** is receiving hospice care at Bridge Haven where she lives.
- **Susan and Pat** - dealing with health concerns.
- **Nancy Brink**, a friend of Lois and Dave Dutcher, asks for prayers as she copes with brain and lung cancer.
- **Allison Clunn-McPlin and family**, friends of Dave and Lois Dutcher. Allison has ALS and has entered a

clinical trial which has proven helpful to her. They are encouraged. Thank you for your prayer support.

Sunday Helpers

Ushers: We need volunteers! Sign up in the Narthex.

Greeters: Linda Burton and Carol Smith

South Door Greeter:

Offering: Erinn Barcomb- Peterson, Larry Schlosser

Friendship Pad Collector: Petra Peterson

Bag Brigade Volunteer:

Birthdays in the Congregation

August 3

Carlotta Edmonds

August 4

Loren Dolezal

August 5

Carol Kyner

August 6

Matthew Mitchell

August 7

Sammie Locke

Blair Bracciano

Deacon Family Groups - 2026

A-B	Dorothy Devlin	Lf-Me	Deborah Norwood
C-Di	Lois Dutcher	Mf-N	Becky May
Dj-F	Sandy Groene	O-R	Diana Schoneweis
G-Ha	Melinda Fischer	S-Si	Charles Tuttle
Hb-J	Lucille Eggenberger	Sj-To	Mary Parkinson
K-Le	Linda Longino	Tj-Z	Nikki Barcomb

Calendar

August 2

10:30 am Worship

August 3

9:00 am Rummage Sale Collection
9:00 am First 5 Years Room Set up
9:00 am First 5 Years Teacher Orientation
1:15 pm FPC Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Pastor Helen's Class

August 4

9:00 am **Primary Election Polling Place**
9:00 am Rummage Sale Collection
9:00 am First 5 Years Room Set up

August 5

9:00 am Rummage Sale Collection
9:00 am First 5 Years Room
6:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 59 Meeting

August 6

9:00 am Rummage Sale Set up
9:00 am First 5 Years Room Set up
11:00 am Matthew 25 Meeting
1:00 pm Small World Summer Class
6:30 pm Property Committee Meeting

August 7

8:00 am Rummage Sale

9:00 am First 5 Years Room Set up
10:00 am Men's Group

August 8

8:00 am Rummage Sale

August 9

9:30 am Kick Off Breakfast
10:30 am Worship

Children Sunday School

• Sunday School Classes for Children

- **Welcome Back is August 9.** Join us for a continental breakfast at 9:30 followed by worship at 10:30 where we will have a blessing of the backpacks – so bring yours!
- **Classes begin August 16 - Our first theme is Welcome All**

Welcome all is the way we are describing the faith practice of hospitality. It is the idea of being intentional and authentic as we offer a genuine welcome to all of God's people—both stranger and friend. When we are intentional about welcoming all, we are affirming the worth of all of God's people. A commitment to opening our hearts, our homes, our churches, and our capacity for friendship and community to, not only those who are like us, but also those who are different from us is at the very heart of the practice of hospitality. Nancy Harmony and Joan Golden will teach for August:

- 8/16 – WELCOME TO GOD'S WORLD! GENESIS 1:1–2:2
- 8/23 - WHO'S THAT STRANGER? LUKE 24:13–24
- 8/23 – THAT'S JUST MY STYLE! LUKE 10:38–42
- 8/30 - WELCOME . . . ALL? LUKE 7:36–50

Adult and Youth Sunday School

- **Adult Classes will resume on August 16th.** We will gather in the Fireside Room to hear about some of the offerings from Matthew 25. Get a synopsis of the Educate to Extinction class as well as the upcoming native American luncheon in September. Lots more is coming up!

Welcome Back Sunday – August 9

The Fellowship Committee is offering a Continental Breakfast from 9:30 to 10:15. We will have bagels, donuts, fruit and beverages. If you would like to bring something to share it will be welcomed!

Worship for August and September

We will finish our Summer with the Psalter worship series on August 2nd and will start a new sermon series called Epic Meltdowns in the Bible and How God Responds. It may help us in our own meltdown or meltdown arounds us to know that God Forgives, God Waits, God Humbles, God Protects, God Instructs and God Provides Help.

Pastor Helen's Monday Class will resume our meetings on Monday, August 3rd. at 2 pm in the Fireside Room. We have four more classes to wrap up History of Religion in the United States.

Rummage Sale – The Presbyterian Women are getting ready for all of your donations to our Rummage Sale this year! The doors to South Fellowship Hall will open for donations on Monday, August 3rd. **Please use the South Fellowship Hall only** on Monday and Tuesday as we are a polling place for the Primary Election on Tuesday on the North side of the Hall. We accept clothing, household items, holiday décor, home décor, books, music and more! We cannot accept electronics, large furniture or large appliances. The sale will be held on Friday and Saturday, August 7 and 8. Mark your calendar and start cleaning out now!

Roots of the Land, Food of the People



In our ongoing effort to learn about and be allies to the Indigenous people in our community, on September 20 we have planned a worship service that focuses on celebrating the Indigenous connection to Kansas including communion with fry bread and then will continue with lunch in fellowship hall. This meal will be catered by Melissa Garret of Wadulisi's Contemporary Indigenous Foods to provide us with an authentic traditional meal. The lunch includes Melissa sharing stories of the importance of food and tradition in the indigenous community. You must purchase a ticket for this event. Tickets will be on sale in August. Tickets are limited. Cost is \$20 for one, \$40 for two, and \$50 for a family.