



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

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Service for the Lord's Day

Sunday, August 4, 2024

How to Connect

- Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Dalton. We are glad you are here!
- Currently our church observes a “Masks Optional” policy throughout the church campus with the exception of the nursery staff and volunteers. Adult teachers, volunteers, and nursery staff, if they are unvaccinated, are asked to remain masked when involved in children’s Christian Education activities. Some may still opt to wear a mask even if they are vaccinated. Additionally, we have returned to observing The Peace, passing the offering plate, and joining hands to sing The Congregational Response (“God Be with You ‘Til We Meet Again”) in our traditional manner. Anyone uncomfortable with this approach is encouraged to refrain from participation in any or all of these aspects with full knowledge that our congregation is respectful and recognizes that our members have different needs and comfort levels. Please check any of the following for updates and possible changes in our COVID protocol:

First Presbyterian Church, Dalton Communication Channels:

- “First Presbyterian Church Dalton” - Our church’s public Facebook page.
 - “FPC Dalton Connect” - Our private Facebook page for church members and staff
 - “Midweek News” - Our newsletter sent online to most members unless a paper copy is requested by calling 706-278-8161.
 - Your E-Mail
 - Your personal mailbox
- Find the most current contact information on our members in the church directory. It can be found on our website (www.firstpresdalton.org) under the fellowship tab. Please email the church office for the directory password.
 - Regular team meetings will be held at the discretion of team chairs in-person and/or through video-conference. Scheduling will take place through direct communication and will be posted to the newsletter.

WI-FI



Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the church. There are two options available: First Pres Guest 2.4 and First Pres Guest 5. Although these will connect to the same network, 2.4 has more strength while 5 has more range. The location of the device will influence which one will automatically connect. The password for the guest network is **johncalvin**

Announcements

- Please welcome today’s guest organist, **Dan Rineer**. Dan was born in Lancaster, PA but grew up in Delaware. He is an Alumnus of Maryville College and UTK. He has lived on Lookout Mountain and now resides on Signal Mountain. Dan worked for 27 years at Provident Life & Accident Insurance Company (now UNUM).
- There will be a **Blessing of the Backpacks** during the Worship service on Sunday, August 11. Each student, preschool through college, and educator will receive a backpack tag as a reminder that they are loved and prayed for by members of their church family. All students and educators are encouraged to bring their backpacks for this service.
- There will be a **Congregational Meeting** on Sunday August 11 , and on Sunday, August 18, for the purpose of electing one male and one female member of the congregation to serve on the Elder Nominating Committee. Please be prepared to nominate by secret ballot one male and one female member on August 11. The two males and the two females who receive the most votes will appear on the second ballot for the final election, by secret ballot, on August 18. Currently active elders are not eligible for election by the congregation.

Announcements continued at the back of the bulletin.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024

GATHERING AROUND THE WORLD

PRELUDE

Matins

H. Willan
(1880-1968)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

THE GREETING

At the sound of the bells, please prepare your heart and mind for worship.

INTROIT

Be Still

B. Edwards

Be still and know that I am God.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Joanne Lewis

God gave orders to the skies above, opened heaven's doors, and rained manna on them so they could eat.

He gave them the very grain of heaven!

Each person ate the bread of the powerful ones;

God sent provisions to satisfy them.

God set the east wind moving across the skies

and drove the south wind by his strength.

He rained meat on them as if it were dust in the air;

He rained as many birds as the sand on the seashore!

God brought the birds down in the center of their camp, all around their dwellings.

So they ate and were completely satisfied; God gave them exactly what they had craved.

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Lord, we are hungry, but we have little to offer. Feed us, nourish us, calm our fears. We ask you to enter this space and lavish us with your loving presence. Provide to us our daily bread, who is Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Austrian Hymn

CALL TO CONFESSION

Cover Art:

Tonitza, Nicolae N., 1886-1940. Bread Line, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=58665> [retrieved July 30, 2024]. Original source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Bread_Line_Nicolae_Tonitza.jpg.

The Call to Worship is from Psalm 78:23-29.

Hymn 81 Note:

The Nazi appropriation of this tune for propaganda purposes has clouded a noble piece of music first associated with this text in 1889. In a 1779 collection, the author indicated that this hymn is primarily based on Isaiah 30:20-21 with allusions to several other passages.

*Where you see this notation, please rise in body or in spirit.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(A time of silent prayer and meditation.)

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all.

Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Kyrie Eleison



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us; Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

S Selvidge Street



Glor - y be to God the Fath - er, and to the Son: and to the Hol - y Ghost; As it
was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be:
world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Jesus Loves Me!

William B. Bradbury

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

NRSVUE

² The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³ The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

⁴ Then the Lord said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.

⁹ Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites: ‘Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.’” ¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹ The Lord spoke to Moses, ¹² “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

ANTHEM

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

W. Howorth
(b. 1947)

*Jesu, joy of man's desiring,
Holy wisdom love most bright,
Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring,
Soar to uncreated light.
Word of God our flesh that fashioned,
With the fire of life impassioned.
Striving still to Truth unknown,
Soaring dying, 'round Thy throne.*

*Through the way where hope is guiding,
Hark what peaceful music rings!
Where the flocks in Thee confiding,
Drink of joy from deathless springs.
Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure,
Theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure.
Thou dost ever lead Thine own,
In the love of joys unknown.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 6:22-34

NRSVUE

²² The next day the crowd that had stayed on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there. They also saw that Jesus had not gotten into the boat with his disciples but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³ But some boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴ So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸ Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” ²⁹ Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰ So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?” ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³² Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴ They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Perishable or Non-perishable,
What’s In Your Bread Cupboard?”

Rev. Nicole Jiskoot

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM Rhondda

Hymn 65 Note:

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew scripture.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“Apostles’ Creed”

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.

THE OFFERING

www.firstpresdalton.org/giving/

OFFERTORY

Do Not I Love Thee, O My Lord

R. J. Powell
(b. 1932)

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to praise you, O God, creator of the universe. In your wisdom, you made all things and sustain them by your power. You formed us in your image to love and serve you and to live in peace with your creation. When we rebelled against you, you did not abandon us, but sent prophets to call us back to your way. Then in the fullness of time, you sent your only Son to redeem us and heal our brokenness. Therefore, we join our voices with the choirs of heaven and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever praise your name:

Offering Note:

Copy and paste the link under the Offering into your browser to easily submit your online offering.

(All sing together)

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord,
 God of power and might,
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy God, we thank you for Jesus Christ, your Son. In Jesus, born of Mary, your Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. He lived as one of us, knowing joy and sorrow. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, welcomed sinners, and proclaimed good news to the poor. Dying on the cross, he gave himself for the life of the world. Rising from the grave, he won for us victory over death. Seated at your right hand, he reigns with you in glory and will come again to make all things new.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit, make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast, united in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

We invite you to come forward for communion via the nearest accessible main aisle and return to your seat the way you came. Communion is served by intinction. Take a piece of bread held by one elder, dip it in the cup held by another, and then, "Taste and see that the Lord is good." Gluten-free elements are available from the left aisle.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

PRAYERS 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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 498

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

Beach Spring

Hymn 498 Note:

The first two stanzas of this text deal with events in the past (the feeding of the multitude and the Last Supper) and the final two with events in the present. The recurring last four lines of each stanza serve as an affirmation of Christ's continuing presence at all times.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Traditional

**God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

*POSTLUDE

Recessional

C. Franck
(1822-1890)

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 4

Adult Sunday School

9:15 a.m.

Fellowship

10:00 a.m.

Worship

FPC Sanctuary (&

Facebook livestream)

10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, August 6

Grateful Heart AA Mtg

8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 8

Choir Rehearsal

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 9

Knitting Group

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 11

Adult Sunday School

9:15 a.m.

Fellowship

10:00 a.m.

Worship

FPC Sanctuary (&

Facebook livestream)

10:30 a.m.

Congregatonal Meeting

11:30 a.m.

Second Sunday

Fellowship Lunch

11:45 a.m.

Connection Team Meeting

12:45 p.m.

Tuesday, August 13

Grateful Heart AA Mtg

8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 14

Choir Rehearsal

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 15

Presbyterians at the Pub

5:00 p.m.

Knitting Group

5:30-7:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED:

- Immediately following the Congregational Meeting, Sunday, August 11, please join us for the **Second Sunday Fellowship Lunch** in Hollis Hall. Please RSVP to the church office if you'd like to attend. After lunch stay for the Connection Team meeting and see how you can help.

- **Children Sunday School volunteers** are needed. Please contact Leanna Granillo 423-710-5934 or Rob Lively 706-537-2064 if interested. Classes begin Sunday, September 8 @ 9:15 a.m.

- The **Adult Sunday School** starts a new book on Sunday, August 11 at 9:15 a.m.. All you Adults: On your Mark. Get set. And... Be preparing to "GO" to our class as we start an insightful new study of the parables of Jesus. Tom Long, regarded as one of America's ten best preachers, has produced a great new book on *Proclaiming the Parables: Preaching and Teaching the Kingdom of God*. See the Midweek News for more information.

- All are invited to a **bridal shower** for our Director of Music, Hye Jeong Kwon on Wednesday August 7 at Cyra's. Please RSVP to the church office no later than August 5. There will be a set menu and plates will cost \$20 which includes tax and tip (to be paid by attendees.) She is registered at the Paper Princess.

- An original **stained-glass window** from the Martin House has been temporarily affixed to one of the windows in the Narthex. This is one option that has been discussed as a possible permanent location for the piece. If chosen, its twin would also be installed in the other window. Installation will require Session approval, but we would like to hear your thoughts on the location. You may contact the church office, Pastor Nicole, or Kathryn Sellers, and we will share your comments with the Facilities Committee.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

WORSHIP

Date	Liturgist	Ushers	Flowers	Nursery
8/4	Joanne Lewis	Tommy & Jodi Johnson	Bobbie Anderson	Priscilla Brown
8/11	Jodi Johnson	Larry & Sharon Cooper	Mary Hubbs	Alice Ensley

MONTHLY

Communion (August 4)		Congregational Care		Little Free Pantry Pal	
Prep	Becky Jolly	August	Annelle Scott	August	Walter & Jeane Jones
Servers	Rev. Nicole Jiskoot, Hilliard & Becky Jolly and Steve Farrow	September	TBD	September	Kathryn Sellers & Annelle Scott

PRAYERS

For Healing and Comfort for our Members:

Sue Neelly, recovering from hip replacement surgery;

Charles Allgood, as he battles lung cancer;

Ongoing Concerns for our Members:

Nancy Rhine, in assisted living located near her daughter;

Stan Crawford, multiple health challenges including spinal stenosis;

For Friends of First Presbyterian, Dalton

Martha Bracey Henson, cousin of Mary Hubbs, who was recently diagnosed with a brain tumor, is recovering from surgery and is receiving treatment;

Peck Spivey and family who have successfully survived the recent flooding at home and also in the clinics in Houston;

Emily Bringardner, friend of Kathy Bridges and Sue Spivey, who has returned home and is having physical therapy for her hip surgery. Her Parkinson problems continue;

Kenyon Tribble, friend of Sue Spivey and Kathy Bridges, who has returned home following several hospital admissions due to falls (28 since April) ;

John Hinkle, who is undergoing treatment for bladder cancer;

The peace of Israel and Palestine and the well-being of Ukraine;

The families of victims of substance abuse;

Kathy Householder, friend of Debbie and Mary Dennard, who is undergoing treatment after surgery for breast cancer diagnosis;

Arden Brown, son of Amanda and Chris Brown, as they seek a cure for DMD;

Caregivers and aging parents.

Praises and Continuing Prayers!

Our new pastor *Nicole*, and her family, as they transition into our church family;

Becky Hansberry, daughter of Kaye Clark, who has moved to Atlanta, and is continuing her cancer treatment at Emory.



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