

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
310 Plantation Road Perry, FL 32348
9th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 am July 30, 2023

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

SESSION SHARING

Nancy Bell

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather to give thanks to you, O Lord,

People: *With all our heart!*

Leader: We will sing your praises before all creation,

People: *And rejoice in your steadfast love!*

Leader: You have created us O Lord, and made us for yourself,

People: *In you we become everything you have made us to be!*

*HYMN

"Immoral, Invisible"

No. 25
(Red Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: Lord Jesus, you raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord, have mercy.

All: *Lord, have mercy.*

Minister: Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the
sinner: Christ, have mercy.

All: *Christ, have mercy.*

Minister: Lord Jesus, you bring light to those in darkness:
Lord, have mercy

All: *Lord, have mercy.*

Minister: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our
sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: *Amen.*

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 623(Red Hymnal)

"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, Amen."

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 84

*HYMN

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" No. 344
(Red Hymnal)

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 32: 22-32

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

WRESTLING WITH GOD Dr. Don McGarity

*THE 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.

*HYMN

"Jesus Remember Me"

No. 227

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." (sung twice) (Purple Hymnal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY No. 624 (Red Hymnal)
***“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.
Amen.”***

OFFERTORY PRAYER (Unison)

***Thank you O our God for sin forgiven, burdens lifted,
joy restored and courage given. Yet, of all the gifts you
shower upon us, our lives are blessed beyond measure
that you should use our gifts to bring the world to you!
Amen!***

*HYMN No. 408
“Have Faith in God” (Red Hymnal)

*BENEDICTION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: May Almighty God bless you the Father, the Son
and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Minister: Go in peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE No. 628 (Red Hymnal)

*“Threefold Amen”
Amen. Amen. Amen.*

*POSTLUDE

***Those who are able, please stand.**

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

Leading Worship: Dr. Don McGarity, Minister; Bob Bell, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director



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PERRY, FLORIDA**

Notes & Announcements



The flower arrangement is dedicated by Steve and Cindy Brown in honor of Pastor Don and Bonnie McGarity in thanksgiving for their dedication to and prayers for our FPC family.

- **Ushers** for August 6th: Bobby Harper, Brenda Wilson, Martha Davis, Mike Perrine, Jim Culbreath
- **Liturgist** for August 6th: Jamie Poppell
- FPC website www.firstpresperry.org

Congregational Care Committee

The objective of the Congregational Care Committee is to provide care for our congregation through various ministries. The current members of the committee include: Nancy Bell, Moderator; Marilyn Culpepper; Martha Davis; Kristie Harper; Marne Helberg; Jeanne Hilgendorf; Margaret Poppell; Dianna Sandonato.

The ministries include: Bereavement; Take Them a Meal; Driving Assistance; Card Sending Ministry; Prayer Chain Ministry (prayer@firstpresperry.org); Shepherd Ministry; Visitor Welcome Ministry; New Member Welcome Ministry. Contact your Shepherd or Nancy Bell, Moderator of the committee, for further information or if you are in need of any of the ministries.

The Christian education committee will kickoff Sunday school classes with a Rally Breakfast on August 13th at 9:45. Please bring a breakfast item to share. Coffee, milk and juice will be provided.

Marilyn's Foundation class will be studying the book of James. The Sojourner's class will be offered a choice of studies on the apostle Peter or the parables of Jesus.

Please join us to build the kingdom of Christ through prayer, Bible study and weekly fellowship.



Operation Christmas CHILD

Dear church family,

We would like to encourage you to participate in our Shoe Box collection this year. In August we will be collecting school supplies. Each of the next few months we will be concentrating on a different item.

Watch for details

Shoe boxes will be available starting Aug 6th. They will be available in the narthex and Church office. They may be filled and returned anytime.

If you prefer to donate items collection will begin August 6th for school supplies.

Monetary gifts may be put in the special shoe box in the narthex, put in the offering plate or mailed to the church office. Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church. (envelopes are available in the pews backs)

OUR GOAL
150 BOXES
(Our goal last year was 125 boxes We collected 175)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Work days and packing

Sat Sept 9th. 5 to 9 year olds
Sat Oct. 7th 10 to 14 year olds
Sat Oct. 21st. 2 to 4 year olds
One more to be scheduled at a later date final packing for all ages

Prayers Of and For The People First Presbyterian Church

Marsha Taylor's family friend
McGaritys daughter, Holly
Miss Patricia and family
Cathy Wiggins father
Mike Lockhart
Pat Zastrow
Janice Musgrove
Seecharan family
Sandonatos
Christine L
Eli Biddy
Caruso family
Doc and Margie
Betty Jean
John Singer
And all who read this and pray with us!

Session Committee leaders

Administration-Joey Ratliff, Martha Davis, Chuck Eckel
Christian Education-Martha Davis
Clerk-Cindy Brown
Congregation Care-Nancy Bell
Fellowship-Sandi Hilgendorf
Finance-Chuck Eckel
Mission/Outreach-Marne Helberg, Rachel Poppell
Worship/Music-Marilyn Culpepper