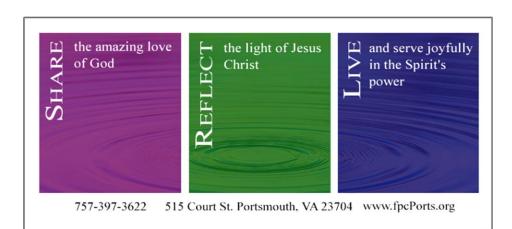
First Presbyterian Church Fourth Sunday after Pentecost July 6, 2025





Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements-Thank you for joining us for this morning's worship service. We are glad to have you here! If this is your first time visiting with us, please fill out a visitor's form, found in the back of most pews. We would be pleased to add you to our email list. Welcome!

Prelude "God's Time Is Best" J. S. Bach

Choral Call to Worship

Call to Worship

God hears our cries and restores our troubled souls.

We can't keep silent. We will sing God's praises with joy!

God nurses and comforts us until our hearts are strong like mountains.

We can't keep silent. We will sing God's praises with joy!

God's love sustains us to flourishing.

We can't keep silent. We will sing God's praises with joy!

Hymn 331

"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession-followed by a time for silent confession and prayer

You are the God who makes miracles, the One who turns the sea into dry land, mourning into dancing, enemies into friends, and empires into dust. You ask the simple things from us: eat each other's food and enjoy each other's company. You ask the hard things from us: to love one another, embrace our differences, and seek forgiveness. Transform us to find hope where there is despair and passion where there is apathy. Give us trust in Your abundance and grant us patience when we see only scarcity that we might answer Your call to be laborers in the fields You are sowing. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

Just as we pray for others,

Jesus prays for us.

Knowing we are a forgiven and cared-for people, let us give thanks together.

Amen.

Song of Praise "Sing a New Song" Hymn 276 – Refrain

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings – Prayer of Dedication

Offertory Duet "Panis Angelicus" César Franck

Raymond Rodrigues and Oralie Wilhite

Panis angelicus fit panis hominum; The manna becomes the food for mankind. dat panis cœlicus figuris terminum. bread of heaven gives form to the imagination.

O res mirabilis! What a miracle, the Lord becomes food Manducat Dominum pauper, servus et humilis. for the needy, the burdened, and the lowly.

Doxology

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.

Bibles can be found in the back of the pew in front of you. Words in **bold print** are spoken aloud or sung in unison.

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, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he will 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.

Time with the Children

Hymn 805 "Come Sing to God"

First Lesson Psalm 30, page 479

Second Lesson 2 Kings 5: 1-14, page 323

Sermon "Someone Else's Miracle" The Rev. Steve Frazier

The Sacrament of the Lord's Table

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Therefore, with apostles and prophets, and that great cloud of witnesses who live for you beyond all time and space, we lift our hearts in joyful praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

...Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are Yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

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.

Distribution of the Elements and Communion of the People

Hymn 80 "You Shall Go Out with Joy"

Benediction

Benediction Response "Jesus, Be with Us" David Gambrell

Jesus, be with us. Help us each day to follow the gospel and live as we pray. Send us your Spirit and show us your way. Jesus, be with us today. Where there is hunger and thirst in the land, scatter the systems of greed. Jesus, be with us; make use of our hands. Lift up your people in need.

Passing of the Peace

Please join us in the Courtyard lobby after worship for a snack and fellowship!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF PORTSMOUTH

Prayers of the People

David Stuart, Mary's brother

Lane Pittman Robert and Peggy Norfleet

Monica Manley Kim McCormick Gus and Clara Spanos

Jeff Baker, Norma's brother-in-law

Bobbi Stegall

Kevin and Lynda Lee Lunday

Kathy Goolsby Everest Goodrich Gail Pittman

Cecilia Fry and children Alfred and Teresa

Church Staff

Steve Frazier – Covenant Pastor Edna Broadhurst – Director of Music Gabrielle Goodrich – Secretary

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The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier, Moderator Michael Broadhurst (2025) Michele Graupmann (2025) Diane Griffin (Class of 2025) Norma Halterman (2026) Cameron McCormick (2026) Todd Taylor (2026)

Linda Audet (2027) Sue Fay (2027) Pat Sparks (2027) Earl Griffin (2024) Toni Rutsch (2025)

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 6 Megan Diggs
- 8 Arianna Templeton
- 10 Riley Jane Smith
- 18 Daniel McCormick
- 18 Melanie Lutz
- 23 Robert Carlisle
- 28 Regan Taylor Smith