

*First Presbyterian Church
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2026*



SHARE

the amazing love
of God

REFLECT

the light of Jesus
Christ

LIVE

and serve joyfully
in the Spirit's
power

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! Today we welcome the Reverend Kim Coyle to our pulpit.

Prelude"

In Christ Alone"

arr. Modlin

Flute: Michael Broadhurst and Katie Garrett

Choral Call to Worship

Call to Worship

All who walk in shadow, come into the light!

God's Word lights the way for us.

God has promised to abide with us.

So, we commit to walk in God's ways.

All who are afflicted, ensnared by the world, come give praise to God.

God is the joy of our heart, our sure and certain comfort, come what may!

Hymn 54

"Make a Joyful Noise to God!"

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

Gracious Creator, you created this world and called it good,

and out of it called a pilgrim people,

chosen to abide with you and to bear witness to your reality.

Yet we, who have been called "Beloved" by you,

often find ourselves making peace with what does not give peace.

Meet us in our weakness; turn our unwilling eyes upon our unruly hearts.

Draw us away from our love of power, our tolerance of injustice, our ignorance of suffering.

Drive us towards what is fearfully and wonderfully made,

so that we may inspire hope, offer forgiveness, and love our neighbors through faithful living,

according to the way of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

For those who are in Christ, there is no condemnation. Believe this scandalous, joyous good news!

Through Jesus Christ you are forgiven and restored to new life!

Alleluia! Amen!

Passing of the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also with you.

Song of Praise

"Open Your Ears, O Faithful People"

Hymn 453

Open your ears, O faithful people; open your ears and hear God's word.

Open your hearts, O royal priesthood; God has come to you.

God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!

*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.*

Time with the Children

Hymn 451

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings – Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

“Thy Perfect Love”

Rutter

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.**

The Installation of Mary Leming to the Session

The Rev. Dr. Skip Baker-Smith

First Lesson

Psalm 119: 105-112

Second Lesson

Genesis 25: 19-34

Sermon

“Esau and Jacob”

The Reverend Kim Coyle

Affirmation of Faith (from the A Brief Statement of Faith)

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles’ rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life
and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”**

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.**

Hymn 543

“God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me”

Benediction

Postlude

“Voluntary”

Stanley

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
Joseph Cain, Ann's uncle
Gus and Clara Spanos
Jeff Baker, Norma's brother-in-law
Bobbie Stegall
Rose Layman
Karen Hoy, Ann's mother
Evie Goodrich, Matt's uncle
Nancy Grant
Rebecca Gilmore

Kevin and Lynda Lee Lunday
Kathy Goolsby
Everest Goodrich
Pat Sparks
Cecilia Fry and children Alfred and Teresa
Mary Ann Taylor
Trish Ballentine-Terry, friend of Todd and Jerry
Joan Plaatsman
Kathy Goodrich
Jennifer Patgorski
Carol Conklin-Collins, Mary Ann's sister
Kristin Finnerman

Church Staff

Edna Broadhurst – Director of Music
Gabrielle Goodrich – Secretary

SESSION

Norma Halterman (2026)
Cameron McCormick (2026)
Todd Taylor (2026)
Sue Fay (2027)
Mary Leming (2027)
Pat Sparks (2027)
Michael Broadhurst (2028)
Diane Griffin (2028)
Dan Swanson (2028)

TRUSTEES

Kim McCormick (2026)
Gail Pittman (2027)
Earl Griffin (2028)

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