

First Presbyterian Church



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Inspired by Scripture, guided by Spirit, and nourished by our life together, we seek to be a reflection of God's radical grace. We believe God's love models a world without walls; therefore, we provide a safe and affirming home where you are welcomed exactly as you are. No matter the color or your skin, who you love, your gender, or the unique ways your mind and body work, you have a place here. Following the way of Jesus and empowering one another to grow in faith, we commit to feeding the hungry, caring for those in need, and working for justice and peace in our community and the world—living out our confidence in the promises of God.

July 5, 2026
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory

arr. G. Martin

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

Congregation: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: All are invited to the house of the living God, where joy resides!

Congregation: **We come to watch, to listen, and to wonder at the good news.**

Leader: The energy of Christ is alive in our midst, calling us to a new way of being.

Congregation: **Let us praise the One who breaks our chains and fills our hearts with song!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, you are the director of our days and the author of our joy. Open our eyes this morning to see your grace performing right before us, and open our ears to hear the radical rhythm of your love. Awake us to the energy of your Spirit, so that we may leave this place ready to live out the good news we witness today. Amen.

***HYMN 340**

This Is My Song (v1)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, forgive us when we choose comfort over compassion and when we allow the demands of the world to drown out your call to justice. We confess that we often hoard your grace rather than sharing it freely with those around us. Forgive us, wash us clean, and shake us awake, so that we may live as faithful disciples of the Christ we follow. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, renewed, and completely freed to begin again.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Creator, and to the Christ and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end!

Amen, amen.

**At this time young children may depart for the nursery.*

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MESSAGE

Godspell

SEALING GOD'S WORD

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
the Creator of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He arose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.*

Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM

WELCOME

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN 340** *This Is My Song (v2)*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING



You may present your offering at the front of the sanctuary, or if you prefer to contribute electronically, you can do so using the PayPal QR code in your bulletin or visit our website at fpcmilledgeville.org.



OFFERTORY *Abide With Me*

arr. D. Bish

*DOXOLOGY

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!***

*Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Generous God, bless these gifts that they may become instruments of your love, peace, and justice in a world that needs healing. Amen.

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 340** *This Is My Song (v3)*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** *Psalm 19*

Marcello

**At these times the congregation is invited to rise in body or in spirit.*

We welcome Tommy Webster as guest organist today.

Acknowledgments: All liturgy is written by the Rev. Marianne B. Turner. All music used by permission. CCLI License # 2910879 and streaming license # 23024105.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This morning we have the privilege of administering the Sacrament of Baptism to Eleanor Elizabeth Naber-Allen, daughter of Andrew and Elise Naber Allen.
- The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, July 12th.

Greeters

July 5: John & Emily Bradley
July 12: Nancy Miller & Millie
Murphy

Bell Ringer

Jakob Freeman

Communion (July 12)

Susan McGill, Bill Werts, Ruby Werts,
John Bradley

Nursery Volunteers

July 5: Melba Burrell/Nancy Miller
July 12: Anne Smart/Gloria Burns

Liturgists

July 5: Joel Burns
July 12: Joel Burns

Thank you 
VOLUNTEERS!

Offerings in June \$ 15, 608
 Anticipated June expenses: \$ 20,161
 (Monthly expenditures may exceed anticipated amounts)

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH: July 5-July 12

Today	9:45	Adult Sunday School
	10:15	Children's Sunday School
	11:00	Worship
	12:15	Churchwide picnic
Monday	7:00	PATH/Oconee Recovery Coalition
Tuesday	9:30	Food Pantry
	12:00	Kiwanis
Wednesday	7:30	NA Meeting
	10:00	Mug with Mari
	6:30	Potluck and Study
Thursday	7:30	NA
Saturday	7:30	NA Meeting
Sunday	9:45	Adult Sunday School
	10:15	Children's Sunday School
	11:00	Worship w/ communion

Thank you to all our church volunteers that helped so much with VBS this week!

Kathy Carroll, Godspell Director

Ruby Werts, Assistant Director

Margaret Foster, Snack Coordinator

Gloria Burns, Snacks & Crafts Assistant

Sunda Coleman, Nana to All

John Bradley, Helper

Jennifer Flory, Helper

Gini Wilkerson, Soloist

Jennifer King, Helper

Susan McGill, Children's Teacher & Crafts

Bob Carroll, Lighting Coordinator

Trey Carroll, Sound Director

Jessica McQuain, Publicity

Additional thanks to Dana Gorzelany-Mostak, Anne Smart, Nancy Miller, Melba & Charles Burrell, Becky Humphrey, Jenny Morris





Lord, hear our prayers

CHURCH FAMILY:

Runette Pounds, hospitalized
Gini Wilkerson, surgery in Atlanta
Kym Thomas, recovering from surgery
Min Lindsay, recovering from surgery
Sherry Henry, recovering from surgery
Harry Beck, ongoing health concerns
Louise Sallstrom, ongoing health concerns
Ellen Thompson, waiting on two hip replacements

EXTENDED FAMILY:

Rachel Putnam, Gini Wilkerson's sister, high-risk pregnancy
Ron Bracewell, Joy Bracewell's father, cancer diagnosis & treatment
Darryl Allen, Andrew Allen's father, ongoing health concerns
Nannette Green Allen, childhood friend of Margaret Foster Ivester with serious health issues
Kathie Bishop, Mari Turner's mother, in memory care
Bob Bishop, Mari Turner's father, in rehab hospital
Kandace Allen Bivins, friend of Margaret Foster Ivester, heart attack
Elizabeth Knobel, Carolyn Morgan's daughter, ongoing health concerns
Charles Morgan, Jennifer Flory's father, ongoing health concerns
Joanne Murphy, Kathy Carroll's mother, health issues—at Carlyle House in Macon
John J. Murphy, Kathy Carroll's father, recovering from kidney operation
Renee Pearson, Sunda Coleman's daughter-in-law, at home with health concerns
Bob Smart, Anne Smart's husband, ankylosing spondylitis
Randy Stewart, Haywood Edwards' son-in-law, ongoing health concerns
Ike Thomas, ongoing cancer treatments
Dudley Weathers, Anne Weathers' husband, at home in hospice care
Wayne Woodward, Ruby Werts' brother, diagnosed with Parkinson's

IN ASSISTED LIVING:

Jude Hirsch, Fellowship Home at Meriwether, 10 Meriwether Place
Laura King, The Cottages of Milledgeville, 1010 Fernwood Drive
Maryanne Morris, Fellowship Home at Meriwether, 10 Meriwether Place
Runette Pounds, Fellowship Home at Meriwether, 10 Meriwether Place
Louise Sallstrom, The Cottages of Milledgeville, 1010 Fernwood Drive
Suzy Smith, The Oaks Peake, 400 Foster Rd., A2, Macon, GA 31210
Frankie Holder, Pruitt Health-Marietta, 50 Saine Dr. SW-Rm 215, Marietta, GA 30008

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This Is My Song

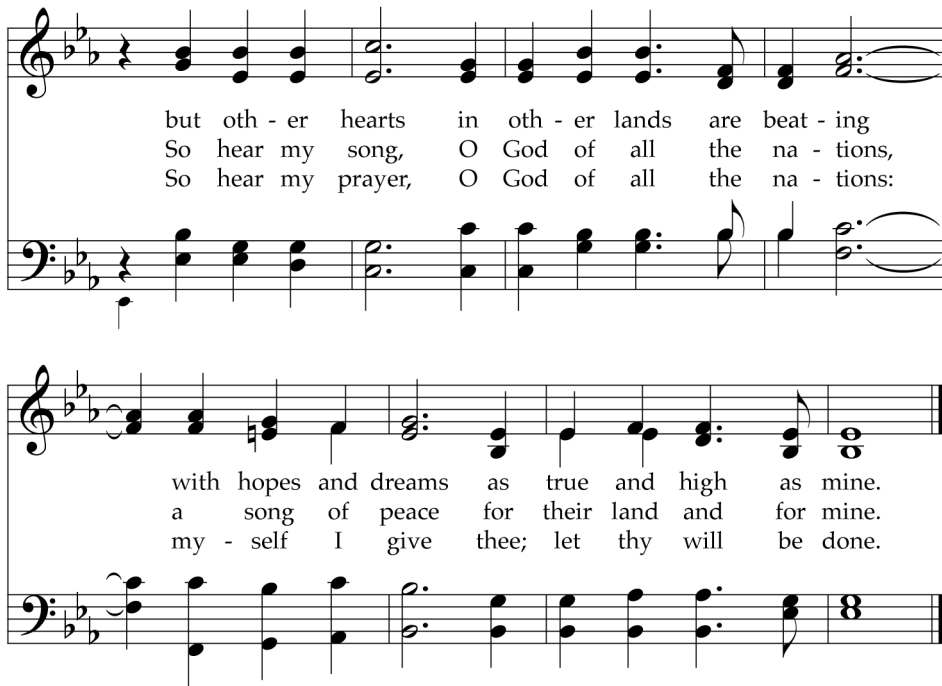
1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king - doms:

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

The first two stanzas of this hymn were written between the 20th century's two world wars and focus on the theme of international peace. The third stanza, by another author and added later, uses the language of the Lord's Prayer to voice a distinctly Christian perspective.



WORSHIP with us

Join us for worship in-person or online on Facebook Live every week.

9:45 AM Sunday School Class (meets in the Betty Newton Campbell parlor), will continue our intensive study of the Book of Jeremiah in August. Please contact Joel Burns joeldburns@gmail.com if you are interested in attending via Zoom.

Sunday: 9:45 AM Fellowship Sunday School Class (meets in small room next to office at end of hall), studying *When People Are Big and God Is Small* by Edward T. Welch.

Sunday: 10:15AM Children's Sunday School Class, singing, crafts and stories, (meeting in the Craft Room upstairs)

Wednesday: 6:30PM Wednesday Night Potluck and Bible Study— This week we begin our new book study, *Poverty in the Promised Land* by Walter Bruggemann.



MORE LIGHT
PRESBYTERIANS

Church Staff

Pastor, Rev. Mari Turner (in office every Wednesday) revmariturner@gmail.com

Children & Youth, vacant

Administrative Assistant, Jessica McQuain

Music Director, Dr. Jennifer Flory, jennifer.flory@gcsu.edu

Organist, Kate Phillips

Treasurer, Joel Burns

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OFFICE HOURS

9am ~ 1pm Mon-Thur.

