WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

508 2nd Avenue • South Charleston WV • 25303[304] 744-2333 • fpcsc.wv.org June 23, 2024



~ Our Mission Statement ~

The Triune God has created our Community for furthering the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for welcoming and loving one another and for following where the Holy Spirit leads. We are called to encourage and celebrate diversity and unity as we praise and pray, love and serve, learn and teach, share and partake of God's goodness. We do this on the Lord's Day and every day to the greater glory of God.

(Adopted/Approved by Session 9/26/00)

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 30, 2024

GATHERING

(* Please stand in body or spirit. Text in **bold face type** is to be read by all.)

THE CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME – THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE

OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

- One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;
- All: God's steadfast love endures forever.
- One: We see God's wondrous works all around us,
- All: so we come to praise God's holy name.
- One: Open wide your hearts in this time of worship!
- All: We lift our hearts to God with thanks and praise.

MORNING PRAYER

Lord, everywhere we look we see the imprint of your creative love. The wondrous works of nature show your majesty. As we gather today to celebrate your love and creation, keep us mindful that we are part of that created order, meant to be stewards and not destroyers. Prepare us to work for you in ministries of peace and justice. Amen.

*HYMN

"Morning Has Broken"

No. 664

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Your grace is near, O God, for you are the God of the storm. You wait in silence for us until we are open to you. Tune us to hear your voice, to face your silence without fear. Speak and bring to us our Savior, Jess Christ, the giver of your peace. In the name of this one whom we know as the world's Savior, we pray. Amen.

[Silence is kept for personal confession]

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The mercy of our God is from everlasting to everlasting. Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new. Give thanks for God's generosity ad share it with your neighbors.

GLORIA PATRI

No. 583

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and every shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you And also with you

Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

*HYMN

"When Peace Like a River"

SPECIAL MUSIC

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Nancy Knurek, soloist

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jean Summerfield, ALP

Amanda Fuller

No. 840

God in whom we live and move and have our being: as we consider the world around us today, we are grateful to know you are near. We thank you that your presence will not fail us; no matter the challenges we face. We are aware of so many challenges—in our own lives, the lives of others we care about, and in the world around us. Help us trust that you never give up on situations which we find overwhelming.

For so many blessings, and for answered prayers, we give you thanks through Jesus Christ. With all of the saints in heaven and on earth, together hear us as we offer our prayers to you using the words you have taught us to pray:

All: 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.

LISTENING TO THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE READING

Job 38:1-11

Pew Bible Page

SERMON

"God Speaks"

Jean Summerfield, ALP

RESPONDING TO GOD

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of man's mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

From the Book of Confessions; Constitution of the Presbyterian Church USA. Pg. 289

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

No. 606

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.

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Generous God, we offer our gifts with thankful hearts, grateful for your patience with us as your purposes unfold. Bless these gifts to accomplish your purposes throughout the world you love in the name of Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

No. 546

*BENEDICTION

Music Notes: CCLI License # 21008312, Streaming License #20118305 and our OneLicense.net # 738390.

We welcome our Guest Speaker Jean Summerfield

Jean is a retired Putnam County teacher, mother of three daughters, grandmother of seven, and great grandmother of three. She was in the second class of ALPs for the Presbytery almost 35 years ago. When she is not serving as a pulpit guest, she worships at First Presbyterian Church of Nitro. We look forward to hearing her gospel message.

The Confession of 1967

Today's Sermon Scripture

Job 38:1-11 (NRSV)

The Lord Answers Job

- ¹ Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:
- ² "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
- ³ Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.
- ⁴ "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me. if you have understanding.
- ⁵ Who determined its measurements surely you know!
- Or who stretched the line upon it?
- ⁶ On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone
- ⁷ when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?
- ⁸ "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—
- ⁹ when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,
- ¹⁰ and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,
- ¹¹ and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
 - and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?

Missions Committee Update

We continue our support of the Food Pantry at Heart & Hand. Please remember to pick up just a little something every time you go to the store. Here are the items specifically requested by Heart & Hand this month:

June 23	Canned Soup	
June 30	Macaroni & Cheese	
July 7	Cereal	
July 14	Pasta & Sauce	
July 21	Beans & Rice	
July 28	Mac & Cheese	

May 31, 2024 Budget Report

May Income Budgeted	\$ 9,451.36
May Income Actual	<u>\$ 12,468.33</u>
May Deficit	(\$ 3,416.97)
May Expenses Budgeted	\$ 6,5121.90
May Expenses Actual	\$ 75,843.69
YTD Deficit	(\$10,721.79)

Faith Ideas from the Nurture Committee of the Presbytery of West Virginia

Please use this suggested scripture, questions, and activities to help you explore your faith.

June 23: Read Mark 4:35-41

The disciples were afraid and worried when the storm threatened to overtake their boat on the lake. They asked Jesus, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" In response to their fears, Jesus calmed the storm. What are the storms in your life of worry, sorrow, fear? In the presence of Jesus, we can have peace even in the wildest storms.

Notes...

South Charleston First Presbyterian Church Website: www.fpcscwv.org makes available our Sunday morning live-stream worship services & bulletins, newsletters, Session information, and youth group videos. Also posted are Announcements for the Month, information about upcoming mission projects, and our many fellowship opportunities.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS & DEEDS OF LOVE

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Class of 2024 Sarah Clemente

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<u>Class of 2025</u> Cheryl Eary Bob Lilly Mark Lovin

Class of 2026

Hersha Brown Rick Smith Owen Walker

BACK TO SCHOOL	We will be giving over 325 free stuffed bookbags to students in need in our service area.
DRIVE Heart+Hand OUTREACH MINISTRIES	Could you collect 100 items? Please call to let us know what you will be collecting. Thanks!
Could you help provide 100 of one of these items? Pencils Notebooks Filler Paper Pens \$100 Cash=100 f Markers You donate-We t Highlighters Scissors Comp. Notebooks Crayola Crayons Folders Binders Binders Binders Donate at the register or call 304-342-0029 or mail check to 212 D Street, South Charleston, WV 25314	south cHARLESTON AREA south cHARLESTON AREA 212 D. St. S Chas 212 D. St. S Chas 212 D. St. S Chas 210 3PM Mon Sat 10 3PM Mon Sat