Service For The Lord's Day

November 8, 2026 ***Please stand in body or spirit.*** **10:00 A.M.**

WELCOME! We are glad you are worshiping with us today. We pray that you will be challenged and find joy, hope, and celebration in this time spent together in the presence of God. *Please sign and pass the "Ritual of Friendship" booklet; then, return it to the first person.*

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of Your presence, so that we may be at peace and may worship You with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "I Worship You, Almighty God" Corbett-Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsive)*

Leader: Give ear, O my people, and listen to the words of my mouth.
All: **We will tell the coming generations of the Lord's glorious deeds and the wonders God has done.**
Leader: Let us set our hope in God and not forget the works of the Lord.
All: **As we wait, we will tell the story and keep the commandments.**
Leader: We come together to worship the living God.

***SONG OF PRAISE** "Come Sing to God" No. 805

CALL TO CONFESSION *(Worship Leader)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In Unison)*

God of grace, we have sinned against You
by not honoring You nor loving one another.

We sleep when You ask us to be awake.
We fall short in our preparations for the delays that inevitably come.
We fail to share what You have provided. We have lost our hope.
Forgive our sinful ways, tame our wayward wills,
and make us more like Christ.
Inspire us by Your Spirit, so that we will be prepared
to welcome the Lord when He appears.
May our lives here and now
be a glimpse of what we hope all may one day enjoy.

***KYRIE** "Lord, Have Mercy upon Us"

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *(Worship Leader and In Unison)*
Leader: As far as the east is from the west, so far as He removed our transgressions from us.
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, thanks be to God.

***SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE**
Leader: May the peace of God through Jesus Christ be with you
All: And also with you.

***GLORY BE TO THE FATHER** No. 581

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION *(In Unison)*
Inspire us by Your Holy Spirit,
so that the words we read on the page
might become living words in our hearts and lives
as we encounter the grace, love, and peace of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 78:1-7

ANTHEM "Cantate Hodie" Lightfoot

SCRIPTURE LESSON Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

SUNDAY MESSAGE "At Your Service" Rev. Dr. Leslie Traylor

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***DECLARATION OF FAITH** *(from the Confession of 1967, 9.54-9.55)*

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, the household of God, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom.
The kingdom represents God's triumph over all that resists the divine will and disrupts God's creation.
Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in all people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.
With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

***HYMN** "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" No. 624
Verses 1, 2, 3, and 5

PASTORAL PRAYER/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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, the power and the glory forever. Amen."

WE MAKE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

GENEROSITY AND STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE Donna Latessa

OFFERTORY "El Shaddai" Thompson

***DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** *(In Unison)*

Thank You, O God,
for the many blessings that You have bestowed upon us.
Receive these gifts as symbols of the dedication of our very lives
and signs of trust in Your coming reign of justice and peace.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

***SONG OF SENDING** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" No. 761

***A CHALLENGE AND BLESSING**

*** BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "Amen"

***POSTLUDE** "Let There Be Glory and Honor and Praise" Greenelsh

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THE FLOWERS ON THE CHANCEL are dedicated to the **Glory of God** and in loving memory of **Paulette Stiles by Lynnette and Susan Devanny, Tony and Caryn Ewell and Family.**

THE DEACONS would like to thank all who remember the Deacons' Cupboard while shopping. They are requesting **small laundry detergent, shampoo, and dish soap** for the month of **November.** You may leave your items in the Deacons' box in Fellowship Hall.

RADIO MINISTRY is funded by an **anonymous donor** in memory of **Jim and Barb Sherwood.** Our service is broadcast at 10:00 a.m. Sundays on 1570 AM and 97.7 FM and talk977.com. If you would like to contribute to this ministry, donations for the Radio Ministry may be placed in the offering plate; contributions may also be mailed to the Church Office with "Radio Ministry" in the memo of the check.

A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS PRE-ADVENT STUDY: Join us for a three-week study based on the gospel of Luke. We will explore the major themes of Advent and the ways in which Christ's birth brings us a new understanding of these themes. Throughout the study, the film "A Charlie Brown Christmas" will be used to illustrate the themes. Come to one, two or all three. The next study will be **Friday, November 13, at 6:00 p.m.** Dinner will be sloppy joes. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall.

DON'T FORGET… Jigsaw puzzles are available on the bookshelf in Fellowship Hall. Take one; complete it; return it; borrow another. Enjoy!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Parable Study has concluded. **The new Advent 9:00 a.m. study will begin on Sunday, November 22, for five weeks.** We will study "When God Comes Down" by James Harnish. Join us as we explore the lives of the people who witnessed the miracle of the Incarnation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We are looking for volunteers, not teachers! PCUSA guidelines require two adults, a teacher and a volunteer, to be present in the classroom at all times. This requirement is for the safety and protection of the children, teachers, and volunteers. Your role is to be that important second adult in the classroom. With enough volunteers, your commitment may be as little as one hour every couple of months. You need to complete a background check, paid for by Presbytery, and attend volunteer safety and CPR training that will be held on **Saturday, November 21**.
Many of these children were baptized in our church. At their baptism we, as a congregation, promised to nurture and guide them in their Christian faith. This is our opportunity to honor that promise. **And gentlemen, we need you, too!** What better way to make a difference than to be a positive male role model for the children of FPC.



ALTERNATIVE GIFT-GIVING: Thank you to everyone who supported the launch of our Alternative Gift-Giving Kick Off last Sunday. Your generosity is already making a huge difference through incredible organizations like Second Harvest Food Bank, Ryan's Well Foundation, Animal Welfare League, Deacons Outreach, Free Indeed Prison Ministries, and Frontera De Cristo Border Ministry. If you didn't get a chance to join yet or want to give again, there is still plenty of time—we are accepting donations all the way until Christmas. Thanks for sharing the true spirit of the season.

AGG Spotlight – RYAN'S WELL FOUNDATION is a nonprofit organization bringing the life-changing gift of safe water and sanitation to communities around the world. This foundation grew from the passion of a 6-year-old boy, Ryan Hreljac, into an organization that has completed 1,834 water projects in 17 Developing Nations—giving the gift of safe water and sanitation to over 1,617,615 people. A donation to Ryan's Well can help provide a family with clean water and the opportunity to build a healthier future.

PASTOR:	***Rev. Dr. Leslie Traylor***
DIRECTOR OF FAMILY AND YOUTH MINISTRY:	***Marissa Robbins***
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY:	***Melanie Vlad***
LAY READER:	***David Snyder***
RADIO, LIGHTS AND SOUND SYSTEM:	***Alexis Musgrove***
VIDEO PROJECTION:	***Rich Coupland and Jelani Lampley***

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Sun, Nov. 8	**- Choir Rehearsal**	**8:30 am**
	- Worship	**10:00 am**
	- Sunday School, B	**10:15 am**
	- Bell Practice	**11:15 am**
	- 20's/30's Organizational Meeting, B	**11:15 am**
Mon, Nov. 9	- OA, P	10:00 am
	- Chickadee Conferences, Classroom	4:00 pm
	- Girl Scouts, B	5:30 pm
	- BGA Meeting, FH	**6:30 pm**
	- CE Meeting, Z	**7:00 pm**
	- AA, MC	7:00 pm
Tues, Nov. 10	- Al-Anon Anniversary Luncheon, FH	8:30 am
	- Girl Scouts, FH	5:00 pm
	- Girl Scouts, B	5:30 pm
	- NA, MC	7:00 pm
Wed, Nov. 11	- Veteran's Day Service	11:00 am
	- Chickadee Conferences, Classroom	4:00 pm
	- Someplace Safe, B	5:00 pm
	- NAMI, P	6:00 pm
	- AA, MC	6:30 pm
Fri, Nov. 13	**- Church Office Closed**	
	- Advent Study, FH	**6:00 pm**
Sat, Nov. 14	- AA, MC	11:00 am
Sun, Nov. 15	- **Worship and Pastor Installation**	**3:00 pm**

FH-Fellowship Hall MC-Mable Culver P-Parlor B-Badger Hall T-Tieffle Lounge Z-Zoom



You are invited!

The Worship Committee is pleased to inform you that on November 15, 2026, at 3 p.m., we will be installing Rev. Dr. Leslie Traylor to be our called pastor.

It is an exciting time for us and an event to be shared with all our church family.

To that end, the only worship service on November 15 will be the 3 p.m. Installation Service for Rev. Dr. Traylor.

There will be a reception for all to follow the service.

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FPC FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION - On November 19, 1803, the Rev. Joseph Badger founded a Congregation composed of four women and two men; this Congregation survives today as the *First Presbyterian Church of Warren, Ohio.* As members and friends of this Congregation, we will worship on **Sunday, November 22**, 223 years later, to celebrate this anniversary. Dinner will be **eat-in or carry-out.** The meal will be catered by the Saratoga Restaurant with a choice of Thanksgiving dinner, beef tips and noodles, or vegetarian. The cost is $15.00 for adults and $10.00 for children; children under 5 eat free. To make your reservation for dinner on **Sunday, November 22, 2026,** please complete the form below and return it to the Church Office, along with your prepaid amount, no later than **Sunday**, **November 15, 2026.**
NO ADDITIONAL DINNERS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON FOUNDERS' DAY.

It is very important that we have an accurate count by the November 15 deadline.
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Name: _____ Phone #: _____
Choice/number of meal(s) Turkey _____ Beef Tips_____ Vegetarian _____
Eat-In _____ Carry-Out _____