



Sunday Morning Worship

Celebrating Christ's Love and Lordship

July 19, 2026

10:00 A.M.

WELCOME! In Jesus Christ, the Church in all its forms is called to give glory to God, praising the Lord and devoting ourselves to God's activity in the world. Gathered worship is a collective activity in which the people of God demonstrate our shared life and faith and ministry.

If you are new or relatively new to First Presbyterian, a special welcome to you! Our ushers and greeters will have a welcome gift for you, if you request it. As you have questions about our ministries within Sunday worship or beyond this weekly event, the pastor and Elders would happily meet with you. May the Lord offer encouragement and blessings for you, because you have chosen to be here today.

Please note your presence and provide contact information in the "Ritual of Friendship" booklet. Then, return it to the first person in your row.

God's People Gather to Worship

INVITATION TO WORSHIP, MEDITATION, PRAYER

from Psalm 33

Ponder this, in light of Psalm 33, which will be read today:

**"God's Word is solid to the core; everything God makes is sound inside and out.
He loves it when everything fits, when His world is in plumb-line true.
Earth is drenched in God's affectionate satisfaction."**

Regardless of other things around us that seem "off," how does this assurance help us to praise God anyway?

God is faithful with the divine Self and with us. And God loves justice and righteousness.

And so, therefore, what shall your response be.....?

PRELUDE

"Prelude Op. 28, No. 5"

Chopin

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(Responsive)

based on Psalm 33

Leader: By the Word of the Lord, the heavens were made.

All: By God's breath, the stars and the planets came into being.

**Asterisks indicate when those who are comfortable standing can rise.*

Leader: Let all the earth honor the Lord.

All: Let all the people of the world revere our mighty God.

Leader: The plans of the Lord stand firm forever.

All: Trust the purposes of God's heart through all generations.

***OPENING HYMN** "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

No. 327

***CALL TO CONFESSION** *(Lay Reader)*

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(In Unison, then Individually)*

Dearest Jesus, You have called us together to be the Church, sisters and brothers united by faith. Yet, we fall into isolation and disunity.

You have given all, so that we might follow, learn from, and worship God. Yet, we choose conflicting priorities.

You send us out to speak the Gospel and show love for one another and our neighbors. Yet, we prefer to stay in our own personal discomfort.

Forgive us, Lord Jesus. Remind us again of how easy it is to align with Your perfect salvation. Embolden us by The Holy Spirit to repent of our brokenness. Through the power of Jesus Christ, redeem us and make us whole again....

(A quiet moment for individual prayers and confessions)

***KYRIE**

"Lord, Have Mercy upon Us"

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** *(Lay Reader and In Unison)*

based on Isaiah 43

One: Friends, put your trust in the Good News of the Gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are fully forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*** "GLORY BE TO THE FATHER"**

No. 581

God's People Listen for God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(In Unison)* *written by Christy Yates, Theological Horizons*

Shine within our hearts, O God of perfect Wisdom. Open the eyes of our minds and hearts, so that we may understand the message of the Scripture and so that we will follow where You guide us. Amen.

SUMMER PSALM OF THE WEEK

Psalm 33: 4-11, 20-22

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Nocturne in E Minor”

Chopin

GOSPEL READING

Luke 12: 33-40

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SUNDAY MESSAGE

“When Do You Buy an Assurance Policy?”

Rev. Greg Gillispie

God’s People Respond to the Word

***PROFESSION OF FAITH**

The Apostles’ Creed

***HYMN**

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

No. 724

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

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.

INVITATIONS AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

WE MAKE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Polonaise”

Chopin

***“PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW”**

No. 606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

We offer these gifts, O God of all people, in the hope and trust that You will use them to bring healing and hope and deep transformation. Where people have lost hope, send Your church to reassure them of Your love. Where individuals are hurting and hungry, show us how to share the blessings which ultimately come from You.

Thank you, God, for the privilege of offering these gifts. May they indeed do more than we can ask or imagine! Amen.

***HYMN**

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”

No. 839

God's People Go Forth to Worship and Serve

*A CHALLENGE AND THE BLESSING

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Mutual Blessing: The Peace of Christ be with you.

Mutual Response: **And also with you.**

*POSTLUDE

“Prelude Op. 28, No. 2”

Chopin



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THE DEACONS would like to thank all who remember the Deacons’ Cupboard while shopping. They are requesting **shampoo, toothpaste, and Kleenex** for the month of **July**. You may leave your items in the Deacons’ box in Fellowship Hall.

THE SPIRE DEADLINE is Wednesday, July 22. Please send your articles and pictures to Kathie at kathietrowbridge@fpcwarren.org. Thank you!

CARE SHARE CIRCLE: During July, our schedule has changed slightly. We will continue to meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Our second monthly meeting will now be held on the fourth Thursday but at 2:00 p.m. That meeting will be led by Christy Boone, from Direction Home of Eastern Ohio (DHEO). DHEO is the area agency on aging for Ashtabula, Trumbull, Mahoning and Columbiana counties. She is responsible for the National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP). This program is funded through the Older Americans Act Title III – E. These support programs are meaningful ways to bring caregivers together to share experiences and learn more about community resources which will assist them in their continuing caregiving journey.

Whether you are new to caregiving, face the possibility of becoming a caregiver, or have been a caregiver for years, you are warmly invited to join us on **Thursday, July 23, at 2 p.m.** in the Parlor.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Tavish Burd** on being awarded an FPC Scholarship today. Best wishes as you continue your college education!

PASTOR'S VACATION: Pastor Greg will be on **vacation July 23 through August 4**. Whenever the pastor is away, you are encouraged to notify one of the Elders or call the Church Office for a circumstance that needs immediate attention or follow up.

LAWN PARTY: The Church Life Team is organizing another Lawn Party on **Saturday, July 25, at 6:00 p.m.** Join us as we listen to the bands, eat, and fellowship together.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: The Session has called a Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, July 26**, immediately following worship. The purpose of this meeting will be to hear the recommendation of the PNC, vote on the candidate, and approve the terms of call. You will soon be receiving more information on the candidate and opportunities to meet the candidate prior to the congregational meeting. Be on the lookout in your mailbox or through email for more information on these important events. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY? That's right. The Church Life Team and the Deacons are celebrating Christmas in July with a toy collection for Warren Family Mission during the month of July. Please bring in new, unwrapped toys to help stock the Christmas Toy Room at WFM for Christmas 2026. Look for the Christmas Tree and place your donation in the WFM barrel in Fellowship Hall.

FPC'S ANNUAL PICNIC will be **Saturday, August 1**, at Marty and Susan Nadenichek's home, 2185 Brittany Oaks Dr. NE. Church Life will provide chicken, and guests are asked to bring a dish to share. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall if you plan to attend.

SAVE THE DATE - SUNDAY, AUGUST 30. Two changes are happening this summer for our annual "Rally Day" event. The launch of our program year has moved to *before* Labor Day to align us with the patterns of the lives of people whose schedule revolves around the school year. After worship, join us for a "Back to School Carnival!"

TODAY'S COMPOSER: As we move through the music alphabet, we find Chopin as our C composer. Born in 1810, Chopin became known as one of the most important composers of the Romantic Era, despite his short life (d. 1849). His Polish roots never left him, even when he settled in Paris. Most of his music finds themes and melodies of Polish dances, folk songs, and native tunes. While in Paris, he became acquainted with a number of Romantic giants including: Schumann, Mendelssohn, Liszt, and Berlioz. The Preludes heard today were written on a Pleyel piano, one of the first major manufacturers of the time. Chopin sent the finished Preludes to the Pleyel family as a gift. The Nocturne in E minor was published posthumously and is a perfect example of Chopin's style.

PARKING LOT RESURFACING: During the week of August 3 – 9, the Church parking lots will be resurfaced. It should take one week, weather permitting. During that time, members, visitors, and staff will need to park in the former YMCA lot. The entrance is off Harmon Ave. next to the Trumbull County Administration building.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Sun, July 19	- Worship	10:00 am
	- Deacons' Meeting, P	11:15 am
Mon, July 20	- OA, P	10:00 am
	- Girl Scouts, FH	5:30 pm
	- AA, MC	7:00 pm
Tues, July 21	- Al-Anon, P	9:30 am
	- Free Lunch and Grocery Distribution, FH	10:30 am
	- Finance Meeting, P	5:00 pm
	- NA, MC	7:00 pm
Wed, July 22	- Someplace Safe, B	5:00 pm
	- AA, MC	6:30 pm
Thurs, July 23	- Care Share Circle, P	2:00 pm
Fri, July 24	- Church Office Closed	
Sat, July 25	- AA, MC	11:00 am
	- Concert Parking	4:30 pm
	- Lawn Party	6:00 pm
Sun, July 26	- Worship	10:00 am
	- Congregational Meeting	11:15 am

PASTOR:	<i>Rev. Greg Gillispie</i>
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY:	<i>Melanie Vlad</i>
DIRECTOR OF FAMILY AND YOUTH MINISTRY:	<i>Marissa Welke</i>
WORSHIP LEADER:	<i>Brian Annandono</i>
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