

First Presbyterian Church

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"Serving Christ and Neighbor in the Heart of Winchester and Beyond."

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The 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time • June 7, 2026 • 10:00 AM

When this symbol (⦿) precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

Ushers collect blue prayer card requests during the first hymn.

Friends, check in or sign up for our Friday newsletter using the back of the blue prayer card.

Worship Leaders

The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith

Richard Byess, Liturgist

The Holy Spirit Calls Us Together as People of God

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PIANO PRELUDE

“Everything to God in Prayer” Amy Bowman, piano

Piet Post

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the Lord a new song!

The word of the Lord is trustworthy, and God's work is done in faithfulness.

The heavens were made by the word of the Lord, and all creation rests in God's care.

The earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

Blessed are the people whose hope is in God.

We gather to worship the One who guides, sustains, and renews us.

Come, let us worship God!

✦ HYMN 720

“Jesus Calls Us”

GALILEE

✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we often become preoccupied with our own concerns and lose sight of your larger purposes. We place our trust in our plans, our resources, and our own understanding rather than in your faithful care. We sometimes overlook our neighbors, neglect opportunities to show kindness, and forget that all we have comes from you. Forgive us, O Lord. Renew our hearts, strengthen our faith, and teach us to live with gratitude, generosity, and trust; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Silence for personal confession*

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

The steadfast love of the Lord fills the earth.

God's mercy reaches farther than we can see.

In Jesus Christ, we are reconciled to God and given new life.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made whole.

Trust in the grace that has found you and the love that will not let you go.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

✦ GLORIA PATRI [Hymn 581]

God Speaks to Us in Scripture, Preaching, and Song

INTERGENERATIONAL MOMENT

Afterward, Kindergarten and younger children may leave for Wee One's Worship in Room 108.

✦ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

Friends, you are encouraged to pass the peace.

MUSIC FOR WORSHIP

“We Must Sing” MiKayla Hatfield, soloist

Rob Gardner

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 12:1-4a

SERMON “What is the Church For?”

The People of God Respond in Faith

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, Who was conceived by 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, sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence 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.

✠ **HYMN 310**

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

ST. THOMAS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

[...the petitions conclude...] And now as Christ taught us, we are bold to pray... 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.

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

Friends, our giving is an act of gratitude for what God has given us. Just as we present our words in liturgy, song, and prayer to God, we present a portion of the fruit of our work to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“For The One” MiKayla Hatfield, soloist

Jenn Johnson

✠ **THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN 606, AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

The People Depart to Serve

HYMN 726

“Will You Come and Follow Me?”

KEVINGROVE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

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Black and Rebecca Watts, Pat Grosso

“The Church Jesus Imagined”

Today’s sermon is the third of an eight-week series entitled *The Church Jesus Imagined*. The series is exploring the church not primarily as an institution or organization, but as a people formed by the life of the Triune God. Themes throughout the series will include grace, calling, honesty about the human condition, life in the Spirit, hope, and the sustaining love of God. The guiding question throughout the summer will be: *What kind of people does the gospel create?*

Deriters adventure!

Deriters = “retired” backward *Correction to carpool meeting location! Sam Kerns will conduct a tour of the Third Battle of Winchester Civil War Battlefield on Thursday, June 11th. *The morning will start at 8:45 in the Vibrassa parking lot to carpool. (RSVP by June 8th). Please reach out to the office if you need Sam's contact info!

NEW! Movementation classes for families!

Children ages 5–12 are invited to participate in this family-style Tai Chi class, and a parent or other adult caregiver must attend with each child. Classes meet on the first and third Saturdays of each month from 12:15–1:00 p.m. in the Rumble Room at First Presbyterian Church. Through movement, breathing, and mindfulness practices, families will learn tools for emotional balance, self-awareness, and connection while exploring ways to balance individual and family needs. Classes are designed primarily for children, with adults participating alongside them to support learning and practice at home. Donations are encouraged but not required. Visit movementation.org for the current schedule, registration information, and important details about attending classes.

Summer Worship!

June 7th – August 23rd, 8:30 Fellowship Hall and 10:00 am Sanctuary, no Sunday School



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT FPC!

June 22-26
4:30 to 8pm

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FOR MORE INFO

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RAINFOREST FALLS
Exploring the Nature of God