

First Presbyterian Church Winchester, VA

Sermon Series: *Learning to Live as God's People*
"Enough for Today"



**"SERVING CHRIST AND NEIGHBOR IN THE HEART OF
WINCHESTER AND BEYOND."**

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

MOMENT FOR MISSION Men on a Mission with Highland Food Pantry

PRELUDE

“Psalm XIX”

Benedetto Marcello

CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Psalm 105)

Give thanks to the Lord; remember the wonderful works God has done.

We will sing praise and rejoice in God’s holy name.

The Lord remembered his promise and provided for his people.

We come before the God whose faithfulness never fails.

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek God’s presence continually.

We will remember God’s goodness and trust in his steadfast love.

Come, let us worship God!

✠ **HYMN 36**

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

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✠ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious God, you have given us more reasons to trust you than we can count, yet we so easily live as though everything depends upon us. We worry about what we lack, grasp for more than we need, and compare what we have with what others possess. We forget your goodness and overlook the gifts already before us. Forgive us, O Lord. Free us from the fears that keep us restless, give us grateful hearts, and teach us to receive each day as a gift from you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Silence for personal confession*

✠ **WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, the steadfast love of the Lord never runs out, and God’s mercy is new every morning.

Thanks be to God for grace that meets us again and again.

In Jesus Christ, we are met with mercy, our sins are forgiven, and we are made new.

We receive God’s forgiveness with grateful hearts.

So let us live in the freedom of those who are loved, forgiven, and held by God.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

✠ **GLORIA PATRI** [Hymn 581]

INTERGENERATIONAL MOMENT

*Afterward, Kindergarten and younger children may leave for Wee One’s Worship in **Room 106**.*

✠ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

Friends, you are encouraged to pass the peace.

God Speaks to Us in Scripture, Preaching, and Song

MUSIC FOR WORSHIP

“Thanksgiving Canon”

Anna Laura Page

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 16:2-18, 31

SERMON “Enough for Today”

✠ HYMN 509

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

HOLY MANNA

The People of God Respond in Faith

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.



SPECIAL OFFERINGS

This Sunday, we join Christians around the world in celebrating Communion and our shared life in Christ. We are also asked to give to the PC(USA) World Communion Offering, supporting ministries of reconciliation, justice, and peace around the corner and around the world. Special offering envelopes are available in the pews for those who wish to contribute.

OFFERTORY

“Bring Peace to Our World”

John D. Horman

✠ THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN 606, AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING AND LORD’S PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Leader: Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God.

All: And also with you.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

**All: It is right to give our thanks
and praise...**

The Thanksgiving continues. . .

Leader: [...the petitions conclude...]

And now, with the confidence of the children of God, let us 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.

THE DISTRIBUTION

*Ushers will invite your row. Receive the bread, dip it in the chalice, and eat.
(If remaining seated, please wave or signal an usher for assistance.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

Holy God, we thank you for this feast of grace and life. As we have been served, help us serve our neighbors. As we have been fed, help us to feed all who are hungry. As we have been loved, help us to love the world—because in Christ Jesus you have loved us. Amen

<i>The People Depart to Serve</i>		
HYMN 716	“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”	BEACH SPRING

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE Excerpt from “Thanksgiving Canon”

POSTLUDE “If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee” J.S. Bach

USHERS Fred Gall, Mark Schroeder

Adult Sunday School Bible Study Is Back! | 9:45 a.m. in Loudoun Hall

This is my first time leading a Sunday School class here at First Presbyterian, and I am excited! One of my joys is leading an inductive Bible study. We’ll begin with the text itself: What do you notice? What questions arise? What would its first readers have heard that we might miss? Together, we’ll explore historical context, wrestle with difficult passages, follow connections through Scripture, and ask what God might be saying to us today. Questions aren’t interruptions; they’re often where the best parts begin. We’ll start with the short but fascinating book of Jude, then decide together what to study next. Come ready to read, notice, wonder, question, and discover together! – Pastor Evan

Thursday, October 8, at 10:30 a.m. in Loudoun Hall | Guatemala Partnership Info Session

Sponsored by Deriter(s): Join Carolyn Thalman and Sandy Cleaver as they share experiences from our Guatemala Faith Stories Project partnership and hopes for its future. After the presentation, we’ll continue the conversation over lunch at a downtown restaurant. *Please RSVP to Glenn Burdick for lunch.*

Saturday, October 24 | Installation Service for the Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith

Join Shenandoah Presbytery and the congregation of First Presbyterian Church at 2:00 p.m. as we celebrate the installation of the Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith as pastor of First Presbyterian Church.

2027 Offering Envelopes

We’ll soon be ordering offering envelopes for 2027. Would you like to start receiving envelopes, discontinue them, or switch between weekly and monthly envelopes? Please let Jennifer in the church office know your preference by Sunday, October 18. If your current arrangement works for you, no action is needed.