



Order of Worship March 1, 2026

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Pastor Darin
INTROIT	<i>Sanctuary</i>	
CALL TO WORSHIP	based on Psalm 121	Pastor Darin
I lift up my eyes to the hills— From where will our help come? Our help comes from the Lord, Who made heaven and earth. The Lord will not let our feet be moved; The One who keeps us will not slumber. Come, let us worship the Lord, our keeper.		
OPENING PRAYER		Pastor Darin
*OPENING HYMN	<i>Hear the Good News of Salvation</i>	No. 441
CALL TO CONFESSION		Dick Andzenge
PRAYER OF CONFESSION		Dick Andzenge
God of mercy, you neither slumber nor sleep, but we grow weary in faithfulness. You are near at our right hand, yet we forget your nearness. Forgive us for the times we have lived as though we were alone. Renew our trust, keep us in your grace, and make us faithful witnesses to your love; through Christ our Savior. Amen.		
WORDS OF ASSURANCE		
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.		
*RESPONSE	<i>Amen</i>	No. 601
*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST		Pastor Darin
The grace and peace of Christ be with you all. And also with you.		
ANTHEM	<i>Rock of Ages</i>	Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dick Andzenge

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 12:1-4

Dick Andzenge

¹Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Darin

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Peter 5:5-11

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⁵In the same way, you who are younger must be subject to the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for

“God opposes the proud
but gives grace to the humble.”

⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Why Do We Pray?”

Pastor Darin

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Brief Statement of Faith, adapted

Pastor Darin

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

*HYMN

When in Our Music God is Glorified No. 641

WE GIVE OUR OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give

Prayer of Dedication

Dick Andzenge

Dick Andzenge

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Pastor Darin

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor Darin

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, God of majesty and splendor. .
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of
every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

No. 552 in hymnal –

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord. . .

With thanksgiving we offer ourselves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your
service. Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are
yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Darin

THE MEAL

COMMUNION MUSIC

Sunset

Jon Tufte

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your
Son who is the true bread from heaven. Strengthen us in your service that our daily living
may show our thanks; through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise

No. 12

*BENEDICTION

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*POSTLUDE

*Indicates to stand in body or spirit.

First Presbyterian Church Happenings

Serving Us Today (March 1, 2026)

Dick Andzeng (Worship Leader), Ron/Karen Larson (Ushers), Linda Bettison (Greeter), Lori Smith & Sara Rebeck (Nursery), John Scott, Jay Espelien, Patty Scott (AV), Rhonda Siltman (Equal Exchange), Chancel Choir, Adam Rouland-Choir accompanist, Jon Tufte-piano/organ, Jullian-piano/Director (Music).

Margaret Brooks Birthday Celebration

Join us on March 8th following Sunday worship, Margaret will be celebrating her 85th birthday in Fellowship Hall with a catered meal.

Lent Study

March 15 after worship. We will reflect on chapters 1-3 of "An Unlikely Lent" by Rachel Billups. We will meet in the library after worship.

First Friday Concert

Join us this Friday when Joe Jencks is in concert (March 6 @ 7 pm).

Easter Flowers

There are two plant offerings this year at \$14.50 each. You can order an Easter lily or a bulb garden (tulips, daffodils and hyacinths). Order forms are located on the sanctuary back table and should be submitted by March 30th.

Calendar

Mon., March 2

7:00 pm - Deacons
7:00 pm - Focus on Recovery Group

Tues., March 3

9:00 am - Men's Bible Study
10:30 am - Staff Meeting
5:30 pm - Lower Town Rehearsal

Wed., March 4

9:15 am - Women's Bible Study
2:00 pm - Online Prayer Group
5:00 pm - Chancel Choir
6:00 pm - Ring Bell Choir
7:00 pm - Bell Choir Quartet Rehearsal

Thurs., March 5

4:30 pm - Closer Walk
6:00 pm - Special Music Rehearsal

Fri., March 6

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study
4:00 pm - Sewing Group (AWA)
7:00 pm - First Friday concert

Sat., March 7

11:00 am - Danielle Gerth Memorial

Sun., March 8

10:00 am - Worship Service
11:00 am - GIFT

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