

# Order of Worship September 28, 2025

**PRELUDE** 

\*HYMN

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Darin

INTROIT Instrumental

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Darin

Let us lift up our hearts to God, who has clothed us with grace.

We come to worship in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

In Christ, there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Thanks be to God for our identity in Christ.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Darin

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

No. 465

CALL TO CONFESSION

Randy Hammond

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Randy Hammond

Lord, we confess that we have sometimes treated others as less than equals. We have divided ourselves into categories of who is worthy and who is not, and we have forgotten that in Christ, all are one. Forgive us for the ways we have failed to live as children of God, loving and respecting all people. Fill us with your grace and unity, so that we may live according to the freedom you offer in Christ. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Randy Hammond

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

\*RESPONSE

I Love You. Lord

No. 627

#### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The grace and peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Carole Pike & Shauna Seaman

Randy Hammond

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Randy Hammond

PSALM Psalm 91:1-6; 14-16

Randy Hammond

<sup>1</sup> You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

<sup>2</sup> will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."

<sup>3</sup> For he will deliver you from the snare of the hunter and from the deadly pestilence;

<sup>4</sup> he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and defense.

<sup>5</sup> You will not fear the terror of the night or the arrow that flies by day

<sup>6</sup> or the pestilence that stalks in darkness or the destruction that wastes at noonday.

<sup>14</sup> Those who love me, I will deliver;

I will protect those who know my name.

When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble;
I will rescue them and honor them.

<sup>16</sup> With long life I will satisfy them and show them my salvation.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Darin

EPISTLE LESSON

Galatians 3:19-29

Pastor Darin

<sup>19</sup> Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring would come to whom the promise had been made, and it was ordained through angels by a mediator. <sup>20</sup> Now a mediator involves more than one party, but God is one.

<sup>21</sup> Is the law then opposed to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could make alive, then righteousness would indeed come through the law. <sup>22</sup> But the scripture has imprisoned all things under the power of sin, so that what was promised through the faith of Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup> Therefore, the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we

might be reckoned as righteous by faith. <sup>25</sup> But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup> for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. <sup>27</sup> As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "One in Christ" Pastor Darin

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Pastor Darin

We believe that the law was given to guide us,

but it is through faith in Jesus Christ that we are made right with God.

We believe that, in Christ, we are all children of God through faith.

For all who have been baptized into Christ have clothed themselves with Christ.

There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for we are all one in Christ Jesus.

And if we belong to Christ, then we are Abraham's offspring—heirs according to the promise. Thanks be to God. Amen.

\*HYMN

They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love (on screen)

WE GIVE OUR OFFERINGS

Randy Hammond

Invitation to Give

Prayer of Dedication

Randy Hammond

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Darin

\*HYMN

Lead Me. Guide Me

No. 740

\*BLESSING

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POSTLUDE

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## First Presbyterian Church Happenings

## Serving Us Today (September 28, 2025)

Randy Hammond (Worship Leader) Mike/Kim Tollefson (Ushers), Stephanie Randolph (Greeter), Lori Smith, Rickie Espelien (Nursery), John Scott, Jay Espelien, Patty Scott (AV), Shauna Seaman, Carole Pike, Shauna Seaman (Music), Rhonda Siltman (Equal Exchange).

#### Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who participated in last week's Fish Fry. From fishermen (women) to servers, to those who participated by eating and donating . . . The leftover fish was donated to Place of Hope. A big thank you!

## **World Communion Sunday (Oct. 5)**

Join us next Sunday as we celebrate are oneness with the body of Christ around the world. We celebrate together using breads from around the world.

## **Trunk or Treat Returns**

Saturday, Oct. 25 at 3:00 pm. Decorate the trunk of your vehicle, dress in costume, bring some candy and some huge smiles. No scary costumes, please.

#### Did You Know?

A sewing group meets here on Fridays (African Women's Alliance) where women are taught sewing skills. The group meets in the gymnasium.

#### Calendar

### Mon., Sept. 29

7:00 pm - Focus on Recovery Group

## Tues., Sept. 30

9:00 am - Men's Bible Study 5:30 pm - Lower Town Project

#### Wed., Oct. 1

9:15 am - Women's Bible Study

2:00 pm - Online Prayer Group

5:00 pm - Chancel Choir

6:00 pm - Crusade Choir

7:00 pm - Bells

Thurs., Oct. 2

5:00 pm Closer Walk

Fri., Oct. 3

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study

2:00 pm Sewing Group (AWA)

## Sun., Oct. 5

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am - Worship Service

6:00 pm - Nominating Committee