

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 2, 2026 – 11:00 am

* Those that are able and comfortable standing please stand.

Prelude: The Morning Light by Yanni

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship,

People: let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

Leader: for he is our God

People: and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care

***Hymn Great is the Lord #140**

Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Jesus, who sat at the table with outcasts and sinners, we confess that too often our words and actions are not consistent with our beliefs. Often, we ignore the needy, show indifference to the lonely, and reject those who seem different from us. Forgive us, we pray. Empower us to reach out in love and acceptance through Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, Amen.

Time of Silent Confession/Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

***Gloria Patri Glory Be to the Father #813**

Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Children's Sermon

Scripture Reading:

Luke 24: 13-35

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Closer Than You Think" Rev. Diane Flynn

Affirmation of Faith:

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

Communion

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

***Hymn Doxology #815**

*Prayer of Dedication for the Offering

Gracious God, we give our best, lest in gaining the world we lose life itself. As a covenant people, we seek to witness to your will and way. Help us to know more clearly what you would have us do with the wealth entrusted to our care. As we contribute to the needs of your people, we present ourselves as living sacrifices. Through Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn I Will Remember Thee #463**

Benediction

Postlude: Sonata Pathétique by Beethoven

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, August 2

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service/Communion/SCRIP
Choir practice after worship

SUNDAY, August 9

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service
Choir practice after worship

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- Due to structural damage in the sanctuary, our worship services will be held in the Chapel until further notice. Thank you for your understanding.
 - Please remember to shop for the Blessings Box as you are doing your weekly grocery shopping. We are so blessed to be able to help our neighbors in need. Thank you.
 - Please email the church office with any needs at this time. Hope will be checking the church office emails regularly.
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For Prayer & Meditation

- Pray any of the Psalms. There are 150 to choose from.
 - Genesis 22:1-19 – Faith to obey God.
- Isaiah 42:6-7 – I have called you in righteousness.
 - Matthew 4:18-22 – Jesus Calls his first disciples.
 - Luke 4:18 – The spirit of the Lord is upon me.
 - 1 Corinthians 1:36-41 – Consider your own call.
 - Philippians 3:10-14 – Pressing toward the goal.

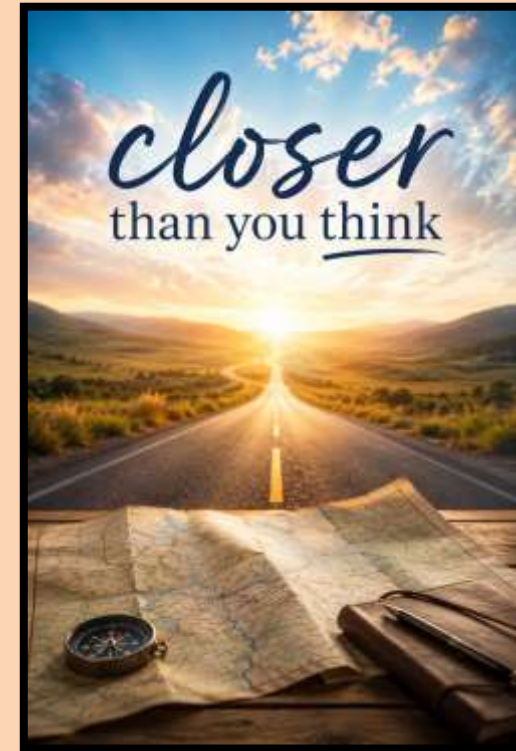
Serving This Sunday, 8/2

Liturgist: Keith Hare

Serving Next Sunday, 8/9

Liturgist: Carol Floyd

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“Closer Than You Think”

Rev. Diane C. Flynn

August 2, 2026

11:00 a.m.

65 N. Third St.

Newark, OH 43055

Chris Rainey, Worship Elder

Katherine Stuart, Pianist