SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
November 15, 2026 – 11:00 am

*** Those that are able and comfortable standing please stand.**

Prelude **November Skies**
Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations; **People: you have been our home throughout all the ages.**
Leader: You were there before the world was made and will be forever.
People: From everlasting to everlasting you are God.

***Hymn** **The Solid Rock** **#526**

Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we confess that we have sinned against you by not honoring you or one another. When we place our iniquities before you, it is your love that sheds light on our wayward deeds. As we stand in awe of your devotion to us, we ask your forgiveness through the mercy of 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.

First Scripture Reading: **Psalm 13**
Second Scripture Reading: **Psalm 22: 1-5**
Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"When the Bottom Falls Out" **Pastor Ricci Arthur**

***Hymn** **His Eye is On the Sparrow** **#624**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Leader: O God of hope,
People: awaken us to your new world.

Let us pray for the needs of the world, saying, O God of hope, **awaken us to your new world.** Let us pray.
We pray for all leaders and people of the world that we may expose the powers and principalities of injustice and work together to build your reign of peace. O God of hope, **waken us to your new world.**
We pray for all who yearn for your light to break forth in places of sickness, toil, or danger, that we may find our way to your glorious realm through our love for one another. O God of hope, **awaken us to your new world.**
Your coming is the dawn of a new day that brings hope and healing to our lives. Fill your church with the light of your love that we may be still and know that you are God and stand in wonder of your majesty. O God of hope, **awaken us to your new world.**
Rouse us to live in this present age in light of our hope for your return. Inspire us to encourage each other to tend the earth and to press harder than we think we can to work toward your new creation. O God of hope, **awaken us to your new world.**
Give us the courage to acknowledge human frailty, limitation, and even death, with confidence in your eternal plan. God of compassion, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy now and forever. We pray these things through Christ our savior who taught us to pray together saying, **"Our Father….Amen."**

Offering

***Hymn** **Doxology** **#815**

*Prayer of Dedication for the Offering

For all that you are and all that you do, we give you thanks, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. We wait in hope for the coming of your realm and offer these gifts to further your kingdom on earth; in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Hymn** **In the Garden** **#635**

Benediction

Postlude **There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit**

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, November 15
9:30 a.m. – Adult Sunday School
11:00 a.m. – Worship Service
Choir practice after worship

SUNDAY, November 22: Christ the King Sunday/Thanksgiving Recognition
9:30 a.m. – Adult Sunday School
11:00 a.m. – Worship Service
Choir practice after worship

Thank you to Pastor Ricci Arthur for filling the pulpit for us this week. We appreciate you!



Mark your calendars: Join us after Worship on Sunday, November 29th for a soup lunch and our annual Hanging of the Greens tradition. We would love to see you there! Many hands make light work. ☺

Blessings Box request: Hot cocoa packets (individual) and instant hand warmers for the cold winter months. Thank you!

Now is the time to order your Christmas poinsettias. Please use the order form in the back of the chapel. All orders must be placed by November 29th. Thank you for helping us to beautify the church for the holiday!



Serving This Sunday, 11/15
Liturgist: Gaye Gibson
Serving Next Sunday, 11/22
Liturgist: Ed Jobes

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"When the Bottom Falls Out"

Pastor Ricci Arthur
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11:00 a.m.
65 N. Third St.
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Rev. Diane C. Flynn, Transitional Pastor
Chris Rainey, Worship Elder
Katherine Stuart, Church Pianist