

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
September 28, 2025 – 11:00 am

* Those that are able and comfortable standing please stand.

Prelude: Open the Eyes of My Heart/Be Thou My Vision

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (On Screen)

Prayer of Preparation, Praise and Adoration

***Hymn #77: I Love You, Lord**

***Hymn #78: My Jesus, I Love Thee (Verses 1, 2, 4)**

Prayer of Confession (On Screen)

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Children's Message

***Hymn #327: The Old Rugged Cross (All Verses)**

Scripture Reading: Luke 23: 32-35

Scripture Reading: Luke 15: 21-32

Message Title: The Elder Brother

***Hymn #139: Great is Thy Faithfulness (All Verses)**

***Prayer for Tithes, Talents and Offerings**

***Hymn #815: Doxology**

***Charge, Blessing and Sending with Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

***Postlude: Land of Rest (Martin)**

~This Week at First Presbyterian Church~

SUNDAY, September 28

9:15 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

10:15 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

THURSDAY, October 2

10:00 a.m. – Good Morning Bible Study

SUNDAY, October 5

9:15 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

10:15 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship

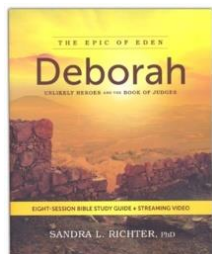
11:00 a.m. – Worship Service/SCRIP/World Wide Communion
Sunday

This Sunday, 9/28 - Liturgist: Ed Jobes; **Sound Room:** Chris Bowles; **Coffee Fellowship:** Kim Dershem
Next Sunday, 10/5 - Liturgist: Keith Hare; **Sound Room:** Chris Bowles; **Coffee Fellowship:** Chris Rainey



- ➔ We are actively seeking **Coffee Fellowship hosts** for the coming month. Please see Sandy Noland to volunteer.
- ➔ The **Worship Committee** will be meeting October 8th at 10 am in the Library.
- ➔ **Thank you to Pastor Ricci Arthur** for filling our pulpit this morning. We appreciate your willingness to serve us here at FPC.

Operation Christmas Child collection has begun. Please see the insert of items we need in the sanctuary. We are so blessed to be able to bring "Good News and Great Joy" to children around the world.



Adult Bible Class is studying Deborah: Unlikely Heroes and the Book of Judges with Sandra L Richter, Ph.D.

The Book of Judges narrates one of the most chaotic and morally dark eras of Israel's story. Into this morally-ambiguous time comes one of the most unlikely leaders of the biblical text—the prophet Deborah. Also a wife, mother, priest, and judge, Deborah responds to her call and transforms chaos into order by leading Israel in one of the most pivotal victories of her time.

A scholar and a professor, Dr. Richter brings the era of the Judges to life, illustrating the real people and places of the book by means of archaeology, historical geography, culture, and the hard facts of warfare in the ancient world. Prepare to be challenged, as we ask ourselves the same questions God asked Deborah and Barak:

1. What territory can you see from where you are standing that belongs to the Kingdom of God but is not in the hands of God's people?
2. Is it worth fighting for?
3. Are you willing to step out in faith and trust God for the victory?

Let's do some deep diving into the Word together. Please join us!

Next week, 10/5, is SCRIP Sunday – please see Gaye Gibson to order your gift cards.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



The Elder Brother

By: Pastor Ricci Arthur

September 28, 2025

11:00a.m.

65 N. Third St.

Newark, OH 43055

**Chris Rainey, Worship Elder
Tara Lewellen, Music Coordinator**