

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
September 27, 2026 – 11:00 am

* Those that are able and comfortable standing please stand.

Prelude **The River Flows in You**
Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Whether we embrace God's call in our lives or try to avoid it,
People: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Leader: Whether we are long timers or latecomers in the life of faith,
People: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Leader: Whether our lives in Christ are comfortable or bring hardship,
People: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Let us praise God's name forever and ever!

***Hymn** **Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven** **#1**

Call to Confession

***Prayer of Confession**

God of abundant goodness, we confess that we want your grace for ourselves but often wish punishment or exclusion on others. We judge the efforts and motives of others while ignoring the faults of our own. Forgive us, we pray, when we let jealousy overtake us. Forgive us, we pray, when we are petty even in the presence of your generosity. Forgive us, we pray, when we feel slighted by you. We ask once again for your mercy. Help us to be more merciful toward one another. We pray in the name of Christ Jesus, by whose grace we are saved. 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.

Anthem **I am Resolved** **Choir**

Scripture Reading: **Jonah 3:10-4:11**

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "When Grace Makes Us Angry" Rev. Diane Flynn

***Hymn** **I Must Tell Jesus** **#636**

Affirmation of Faith:

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. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

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

***Prayer of Dedication for the Offering**

God of the harvest, we are privileged to be counted among those whom you have called, graced to have been given your work to do, blessed to receive more than we will ever earn. Accept, we pray, our thanksgivings and offerings, and do what you choose with what already belongs to you. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

***Hymn** **Be Strong in the Lord** **#734**

Benediction

Postlude **It Is Well With My Soul**

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, September 27

9:30 a.m. – Adult Sunday School

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

Choir practice after worship

SUNDAY, October 4

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11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

Choir practice after worship

Sunday School 9:30

Meeting in the Journey Room

We are facilitating a 6 week study by Max Lucado providing insight, inspiration, and Biblical support on dealing with those times in our lives when we hit the wall of frustration that can lead to despair and depression. He will use as inspiration the life of Joseph from Genesis 37-50. The book is titled "You'll Get Through This" and there will also be a DVD study. We may be mature adults but we can still get hit by life's realities that can knock our socks off. It is an easy reaction to curl into a ball of yarn with no path or direction to find a solution. God is always there and He uses Joseph's 20 some years of trials to remind us that by our faith and His love that a path will evolve to get us through our turbulent times.

Books are available in class or contact the church office.

Serving This Sunday, 9/27

Liturgist: Ed Jobes

Serving Next Sunday, 10/4

Liturgist: Keith Hare

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"When Grace Makes Us Angry"

Rev. Diane C. Flynn

September 27, 2026

11:00 a.m.

65 N. Third St.

Newark, OH 43055

Chris Rainey, Worship Elder

Katherine Stuart, Church Pianist