First Presbyterian Church

Augusta, Georgia

COMMENDING THE GREATNESS OF GOD IN JESUS CHRIST TO ALL PEOPLES AND ALL GENERATIONS



The Lord's Day Morning Worship

August 10, 2025

8:30 & 11 a.m.

Welcome!

We are so glad you are worshiping with us today! We'd like to get to know you better, so please visit the Welcome Desk located in the Commons.



Scan the QR code to:

- Let us know you are a guest
- Find out more about First Pres
- Request prayer

*Preparation for Worship—O For a Thousand Tongues to Singarr. M. K. Jackson Tacy Fleury, vocalist		
†Call to Wor	ship	from Psalm 133 & 134
Leader:	Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!	The one true God graciously invites us into his presence to worship him in spirit and in truth,
All:	Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lor who stand by night in the house of the Lord!	a dialogue which will continue to the end of the
Leader:	Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the Lord!	service as God initiates with us, and we respond to him.
AII:	May the Lord bless his people from Zion, he who made heaven and earth!	
Leader:	The Lord be with you.	
All:	And with your spirit.	
Leader:	Let us worship God!	
*† Hymn of Praise —Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation		
†Invocation		

Response

Leader: The grass withers, and the flower fades,

All: But the Word of our God stands forever.

Corporate Confession of Sin (please kneel if able to do so)

Lord Jesus, you taught us that your Kingdom is a community that is poor in spirit, **but we have been rich in pride.**

You have taught us to be community that embraces lament,

but we have not known much sorrow for our sin.

You have taught us to be a community of meekness,

but we are self-centered by nature.

You have taught us to be a community that hungers and thirsts for righteousness,

but we are prone to evil and have little longing for your true goodness.

You have taught us to be a community of mercy,

but we are harsh and impatient.

You have taught us to be a community of pure hearts,

but we have impure hearts.

You have taught us to be a community of peacemakers,

but we have not sought reconciliation with each other or in our communities as we should.

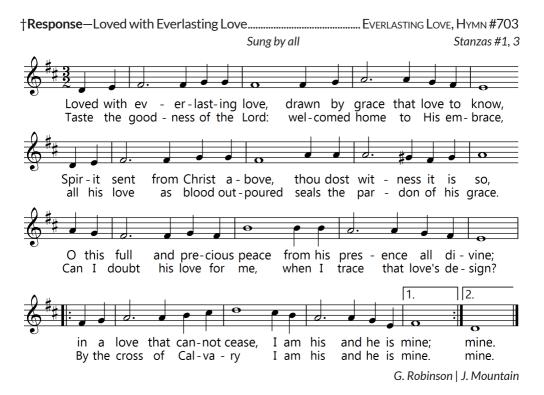
Father, by your power and grace, account our sins to Jesus' sacrificial death. Spirit, amend our ways by the power of his glorious resurrection. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

from Matthew 5:1-8

Personal Confession of Sin

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

Having confessed our sins, the minister declares a gospel promise assuring that God forgives us because Christ has fully atoned for all the sins of those who truly repent. Divine mercy frees us from our guilt and shame.



Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering

Additional Ways to Give

- Online via the app or QR code on the front of the bulletin
- Text "Give \$" followed by the gift amount to 706.550.6813
- Mail checks to 615 Telfair Street, Augusta, Georgia, 30901

With grateful hearts for God's extravagant mercy and blessing, we joyfully present our offerings to the Lord for the ministry of our church and community.

†Passing of The Peace

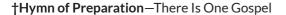
Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

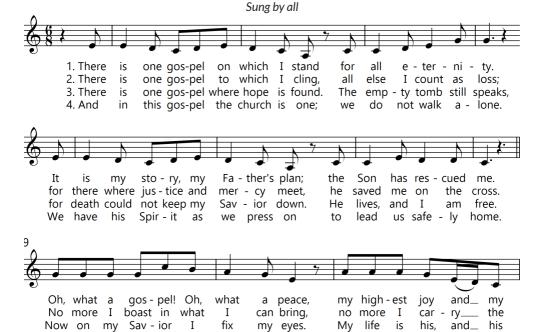
Having been reminded that we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, in response to God's grace, we gladly extend the peace of the gospel to one another.

Dismissal of Children:

- 8:30 Pre-K through 3rd grades exit. 4th and 5th grades remain in the service.
- 11 a.m. Pre-K through K exit. 1st through 5th grades remain in the service.



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Response

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Leader: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to you, O God.

Sermon—Eavesdropping on Jesus, Part 4:

What Jesus Desires for First Presbyterian ChurchDr. John Franks

John 17:20-26

1. What does Jesus desire for his church?

2. Why does Jesus desire these things?

The Lord's Supper

(In keeping with Paul's instructions in 1 Corinthians 11, our elders will gladly admit a child to the Lord's Supper when he or she is able to express an age-appropriate confession of faith in Jesus Christ and understanding of the purpose and meaning of Communion. When parents believe their child is ready to be admitted to the Lord's Table, they are encouraged to contact their parish elders to schedule an interview for their child.)

DoxologyTallis' Canon



The word "doxology," coined in the 17th century, is a combination of the words "glory" and "word." A doxology is a "word of glory," a hymn of praise to the Triune God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), who is one divine nature in three persons.

†Benediction

We encourage you to join us again for corporate worship this evening at 6 p.m.!

Psalm 92 reminds us that it is good to declare God's steadfast love in the morning, and his faithfulness by night. Bookending the Lord's Day in morning and evening worship offers numerous benefits. It helps guard the entire day for spiritual refreshment and rest. Additionally, those who prioritize evening worship receive double the means of grace, joy and spiritual nourishment, including God's Word, prayer, praise, fellowship, and feasting at the Lord's table.