

# 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

October 19, 2025

8:30 & 11 a.m.

### *Welcome!*

We are so glad you are worshipping 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

**Prelude—Partita on Darwall's 148th ..... C. Callahan**

**\*Preparation for Worship—Ain't That Good News ..... arr. M. Hogan  
Youth Choir**

I got news, I got news, I got news,  
Oh Lord, I got good news.

I got a crown up in-a that kingdom,  
ain't-a that good news?  
I got a crown up in-a that kingdom,  
ain't-a that good news?  
I'm-a gonna lay down this world,  
Gonna shoulder up my cross,  
Gonna take it home unto my Jesus,  
ain't-a that good news?

I got a robe up in-a that kingdom,  
ain't-a that good news?  
I got a robe up in-a that kingdom,  
ain't-a that good news?  
I'm-a gonna lay down this world,  
Gonna shoulder up this cross,  
Gonna take it home unto my Jesus,  
ain't-a that good news?

I got a harp up in-a that kingdom,  
ain't-a that good news?  
I got a harp up in-a that kingdom,  
ain't-a that good news?  
I'm-a gonna lay down this world,  
Gonna shoulder up my cross,  
Gonna take it home unto my Jesus,  
ain't-a that good news?

I got a song up in-a that kingdom,  
ain't-a that good news?  
I got a song up in-a that kingdom,  
ain't-a that good news?

I'm-a gonna lay down this world,  
Gonna shoulder up my cross,  
Gonna sing my song before my Jesus,  
Gonna play my harp before my Jesus,  
I'm gonna put on my robe before my Jesus,  
I'm gonna wear my crown before my Jesus,  
ain't-a that good news?

**†Call to Worship ..... Ephesians 1:2-3; 3:20-21**

**Leader:** Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**All:** **Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.**

**Leader:** Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,

**All:** **to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.**

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** **And with your spirit.**

**Leader:** Let us worship God!

*The one true God graciously invites us into his presence to worship him in spirit and in truth, and we eagerly respond in faith. This begins a dialogue which will continue to the end of the service as God initiates with us, and we respond to him.*

**\*†Hymn of Praise—Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken.....AUSTRIAN HYMN, HYMN #345  
Sung by all Stanzas #1, 2, 4**

† Indicates the congregation standing. \*Ushers may seat worshipers at this time.

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)

**O Lord, if you kept a record of sins, who could stand?  
You are always faithful, but we are not a faithful people.  
Our lives display little holiness;  
we often resemble the ways of the world more than the ways of Jesus.  
Forgive us for our arrogant hearts and deceptive speech,  
our misplaced affections and love of the world.  
Forgive us for our anger, selfishness, gossip, and lack of respect for others.  
Forgive us for being anxious and not trusting you.  
Forgive us for not forgiving those who offend us.  
With you Father there is forgiveness, so that we can serve you with reverence.  
You have poured out your promised Holy Spirit upon us;  
may he transform us more and more into the likeness of our risen Savior.  
In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.**

Personal Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardoning Grace .....

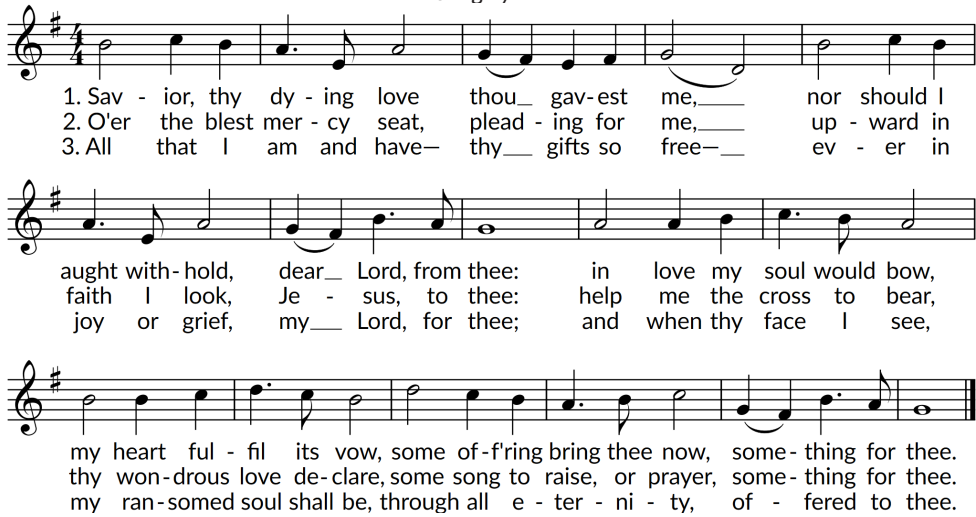
Hebrews 8:10–12

This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time, declares the Lord. I will put my laws in their minds and write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.

*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.*

Response—Savior, Thy Dying Love Thou Gavest Me

*Sung by all*



1. Sav - ior, thy dy - ing love thou gav-est me, nor should I  
2. O'er the blest mer - cy seat, plead - ing for me, up - ward in  
3. All that I am and have— thy gifts so free— ev - er in

aught with- hold, dear Lord, from thee: in love my soul would bow,  
faith I look, Je - sus, to thee: help me the cross to bear,  
joy or grief, my Lord, for thee; and when thy face I see,

my heart ful - fil its vow, some of -f'ring bring thee now, some- thing for thee.  
thy won-drous love de- clare, some song to raise, or prayer, some- thing for thee.  
my ran-somed soul shall be, through all e - ter - ni - ty, of - fered to thee.

*S.D. Phelps | R. Lowry*

Stewardship Report

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.

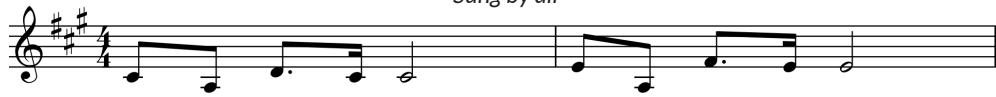
*Having been reminded that we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, in response to God’s grace, we gladly extend the peace of the gospel to one another.*

**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.

†Hymn of Preparation—The Lord Almighty Reigns

*Sung by all*



1. There's an end - less song                      wait - ing to be sung,  
2. When the bride of Christ,                      on that day of days,  
3. We will join the feast,                      rest from bat - tles won;  
4. Cer - tain of that day,                      Christ we will pro-claim;



with the voice of ev - 'ry\_\_ tribe, the sound of ev - 'ry tongue.  
brings with joy un - to the\_\_ Lamb a  
tell with great re - joic - ing\_\_ all the  
oh, that more would share the\_\_ prize— sal-



mul - ti - tude of praise.                      And like the roar of might - y seas and  
won - ders God has done.                      And like the roar of might - y seas and  
va - tion in his name.                      Then great - er will the an - them ring, a



rolls of thun - der, hear his peo - ple\_\_ sing: \_\_  
rolls of thun - der, all the church will\_\_ sing: \_\_  
might - y cho - rus ris - ing to the\_\_ King: \_\_



"Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, for the Lord Al - might - y reigns! Hal - le -



lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, for the Lord, our God, the Al - might - y reigns!"

*K. Getty | K. Getty | M. Boswell | M. Papa*

Old Testament Lesson.....Esther 5:9-14  
*page 487 in the pew Bible*

Response

Leader: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to you, O God.

1. Filled with Wrath (v. 9)

2. Self-promotion (vv. 10–12)

3. A Plan to Assassinate (vv. 13–14)

†Hymn of Response—Rejoice, the Lord Is King.....DARWALL’S 148TH, HYMN #310  
Sung by all

†Benediction

Postlude—Sonata No. 1, *Allegro Assai Vivace*.....F. Mendelssohn

**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.