

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY 8:30 A.M. JUNE 22, 2025

Good morning, First Pres! It is so good to be together today.

Whether you've been here for years or you're joining us for the first time, this is a place where you are welcome—you've found a place where we see lives transformed in the power of Christ, shaping believers into Christian disciples who proclaim the light of the gospel and demonstrate the life of Jesus in our city and beyond.

NEW HERE? If today is your first time with us, we want to meet you! Please fill out a New Here card, which you can find in the seat pocket in front of you. Whether you're looking for community, a place to serve, or just have questions about what it means to follow Jesus, we're here to walk that journey with you. Stop by the Welcome Center in the Plaza to ask questions or take next steps to get connected.

LIGHT + LIFE for the CITY

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IN THE FACE OF JESUS // GREG HARTNETT // "THERE IS JOY"

PRELUDE Serenade

Composer: Heinrich Ignaz Franz Biber Austin Johnson and Shaddai Poarch, violins; Madelyn Bovey and Jordan Long, violas.

> INTROIT Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus Chris Owenby, director

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Dave Steane

HYMN OF PRAISE No. 341, Jesus Shall Reign

DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS + PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Greg Hartnett

SONG OF ADORATION The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Jason Crowe, bass; Scott Barbier, percussion; Wayne Wilkinson, guitar; Thomas Dawson, organ

COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and eternal God, You are compassionate and gracious; You are slow to anger and abounding in love. But our sins are many and we often fail to grasp the enormity of Your kindness and mercy. We become seduced by the lie that we can save ourselves and that our false sense of goodness can earn Your favor. Thank you that You do not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. Because Jesus died to pay the penalty for our sinfulness, You have removed our transgressions from us, as far as the east is from the west. Thank you that Your love is from everlasting to everlasting and that in Christ, we are your children. Amen.

RESPONSE The King of Love My Shepherd Is (cont.)

APOSTLES' CREED Rev. Dr. Eunice McGarrahan

MINISTRY OF MUSIC We Will Glorify

Arranger: Jack Schrader

SERMON

"There is Joy" // Luke 7:18-23 (pg. 1572)* // Rev. Greg Hartnett

HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 342, Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

OFFERING OUR GIFTS Jesus Paid It All

Arranger: Paul Thompson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN No. 405, My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

CHARGE + BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE How Great Thou Art

Arranger: Duane Funderburk

"So he replied to the messengers, 'Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor."

Luke 7:22

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:

Maureen Nelson

Monday, June 23 at 10:30 a.m.

Bill Bennett

Thursday, June 26 at 10:30 a.m.

To see upcoming memorials, go to

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READ AHEAD!

Next week, Rev. Dr. Jim Edwards will preach a message titled *There Is Peace*, from Luke 7:36-50.

NEED PRAYER?

- Find a pastor or Prayer Team member with a large red lanyard
- Fill out a Prayer Request card located in a pew pocket or in the Narthex.
- Email prayer@firstprescos.org

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MILITARY MINISTRIES:

Join us for our regular Military Muster on Thursday, June 26 at 10 a.m. in Room 218 as we celebrate the Army's 250th birthday. Don Holt has something special planned, so don't miss it. Bring a friend!

Happenings

SERVE AT VBS!

Vacation Bible School kicks off on Monday, July 14, 2025, and we need your help to make it an unforgettable week for our kids! Whether you enjoy leading games, helping with crafts, sharing Bible stories, or simply lending a hand, there's a place for you on the team. No experience necessary—just a heart to serve and a willingness to jump in. Visit our webpage to learn more!



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OF THEE I SING

Join us June 29 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary for a patriotic concert celebrating faith, freedom, and heroes. Featuring First Pres Sanctuary Choir, Big Blue, The Swing Connection Big Band, guest organist Rod Gorby. Tickets are available for purchase online or in the Plaza for \$10!

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WOMEN'S NIGHT AT HILLSIDE GARDENS

Enjoy live music, blooming gardens, and great company at Hillside Gardens! For \$18 at the door, catch performances from three local bands, explore the gardens, and grab a bite from onsite food vendors. Bring a lawn chair, a light jacket, and comfy shoes—it's rain or shine!

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ELDER + DEACON NOMINATIONS

Deacon and Elder nominations are now open! If you know someone who would be a great fit for these roles, nomination forms are available at the Welcome Desk or online. Stop by or visit our website to pick one up and be part of shaping our church leadership.



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STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING

Join us in Room 102 after this service or on June 29 to learn more about Stephen Ministry training. Stephen Ministers are caring volunteers trained to provide one-on-one support to people experiencing grief, stress, or major life changes. Come see if this deeply meaningful ministry might be a good fit for you. Learn more at FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/STEPHENMINISTRY