

11:00 am Worship

February 22, 2026

WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Call to Worship (Hymn #387)

“The Lord is in His Holy Temple”

Greeting/Announcements/Scripture Reader:

Prelude: (Hymn #259)

“Amazing Love”

*Salutation and Call to Worship: Psalm 100

¹ Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth.

² **Serve the Lord with jubilation;**

Come before Him with rejoicing.

³ Know that the Lord Himself is God;

It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;

We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

⁴ **Enter His gates with thanksgiving,**

And His courtyards with praise.

Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

⁵ For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting

And His faithfulness is to all generations.

*Hymn: “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Hymn# 136

*Let us pray a unison prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Lord, you are full of compassion and grace, slow to anger, and abundant in mercy; there is always forgiveness with You! Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us until it has wrought in us Your holy will. Amen

*Silent Confession of Sin

*Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:1, 8:1

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through Jesus Christ. There is therefore no condemnation for those who are in Christ.

In the name of the risen Christ, we are forgiven!

*The Gloria Patri

Walks with Jesus

First Scripture:

Psalm 32

Hymnal # 734

Rev. John McCarthy

Pew Bible #543

Prayers of the People (see list below)

Choral Call to Prayer

“O How He Loves You and Me”

Choir

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal - Inside Front Cover

*Hymn:

“At the Cross”

Hymn # 258

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology

Hymn #34

*Prayer

Anthem: (Hymn #260)

“The Old Rugged Cross”

Choir

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading:

Romans 5:12-19

Pew Bible #1094

Sermon:

“Jesus = Life”

Rev. John McCarthy

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Apostles' Creed

Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

*Hymn:

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Hymn #261

*Charge and Blessing

* Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Directives for Prayer

Paul & Reinhold Sydnor, IAFR, France

Prayers continue: Dabney Gilliam

- Full Prayer list listed in monthly newsletter – copies available at each entrance

We welcome our visitors and ask them to fill out a blue visitor card located in the pew rack. We invite you to commit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ in Christian discipleship and become a member of this fellowship. You may do this by meeting with the Session to express your faith in Christ in one of the following ways: Profession of Faith, Transfer of Membership or Reaffirmation of Faith.

Listening devices are available from the audio support person at the rear of the sanctuary.

Prayer Cards are available in each pew. If you would like a card sent to someone we pray for during the service, please fill out the card and place it in the offering plate. Our prayer card ministry team will send a card the following week.

Ushers – Serving today Robert Guthrie at the North Door. Robin Hall at the South Door. Acolyte today is Liam McCarthy. Audio is Don Cherry.

This Week's Announcements

Good Samaritan – February collection – Soup; though after speaking with them they have a greater need of cereal.

Women's Bible Study – Wednesday, February 25 at 10:30 am

Operation Christmas Child – We had such a successful year last year with collecting throughout the year, we are doing so again this year. February collection items are boys WOW items: small toy truck or car, deflated soccer ball with pump, toys (jacks, etc), stuffed animal or musical instrument.

Lenten Luncheon –Lenten Lunches continue this Wednesday, February 25 at 12 noon. Bring a bagged lunch and enjoy the fellowship of others as you enjoy lunch. Beverages and desserts will be available. At 12:30 we will be honored to hear Rev. Bill Wilkins from First Baptist deliver his devotional as we prepare for Easter.

The schedule of upcoming pastors providing a devotional:

March 4 – Rev. Bill Greer – Main St. Methodist

March 11 – Rev. John Campbell – Dan River Baptist

March 18 – Chaplain Laurie Fox – Bereavement Coordinator a
At 1st Care Hospice

March 25 – Rev. Jennifer Greer – Glenwood UMC/Olive
Branch UMC

April 1 – Rev. John McCarthy – First Presbyterian

Mission Opportunity – Help Main Street Methodist in their Mission work trip. They are planning to go to Spruce Pine, NC after worship Sunday, July 26 through Saturday, August 1. If you are interested, come by the office and get an application.

Save the date! – Friday, March 20th – Concert event with Brent Vernon. His programs are designed for the whole family and blend energetic, heartfelt music and storytelling. The concert also includes a visit from Sam, his ventriloquist puppet—a hit with kids of all ages! I am also a children's author and illustrator, so I spend a great deal of time with younger audiences, but his concerts are intentionally crafted to connect with everyone—from kids to seniors.

**First Presbyterian Church
800 North Main Street
South Boston, Virginia**



Calendar

Sunday, February 22 9:45 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Fellowship
11:00 am – Worship

Wednesday, February 25 10:30 am – Women’s Bible Study
12:00 noon - AA
6:00 pm - Choir
6:00 pm – NA

Friday, February 27 Office Closed
12 noon – AA

Church Staff

Rev. John McCarthy - Pastor
Sherolyn Barnett, Office Manager
Jim Luedtke, Church Musician
Sue Wilkins, Church Treasurer

Session

Rev. John McCarthy – Moderator
Don Cherry – Clerk of Session

Class of 2026

Bob Hughes
Les Powell

Class of 2027

Don Cherry
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Class of 2028

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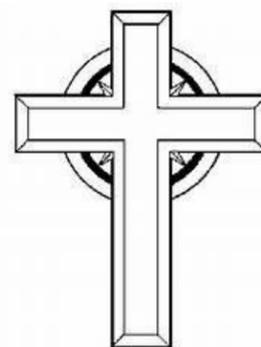
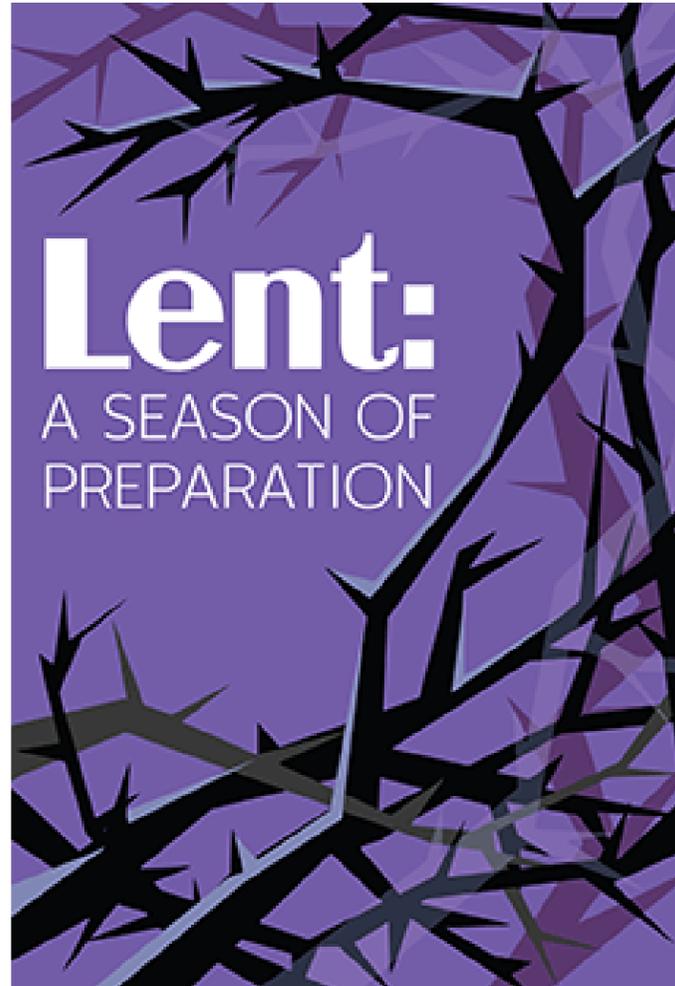
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Our Missionaries

Matthew & Teresa Lee, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Cameroon
Persecution Project Foundation, Sudan

Mission Statement

"Growing God's Presence"

Foundational Principles

*Christ Centered~Biblically Based~
Spirit Led~Grounded in Faith and Love*

Values

*Committed~Servant Heart~
Nurturing~Welcoming~Visioning*

No nursery will be provided at this time.
Children's Church (Jesus Squad) meets during Sunday School time
5 cents-a-meal Offering collected the third Sunday of each month.
Worship every Sunday at 11:00 am; Sunday School is at 9:30 am.
Fellowship at 10:15 am. **Internet: 1stPres: Romans3:24**

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