

11:00 am Worship

February 8 2026

WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Call to Worship (Hymn #387) "The Lord is in His Holy Temple"
Greeting/Announcements/Scripture Reader: Les Powell
Prelude: (Dennis L. Jernigan) "You are my All in All"

*Salutation and Call to Worship: (based on Psalm 15)
Heavenly Father, we come into your sanctuary with eagerness.

May we hear your call and speak your truth.

Christ Jesus, we come to abide with you in love.

Gather us in honest and faithful community.

Holy Spirit, prepare us to be people of hope and grace.

Kindle in us courage to live as brave and faithful disciples.

Let us worship our God together in this holy place.

Alleluia. Amen.

*Hymn: "This is My Father's World" Hymn# 21

*Let us pray a unison prayer of Confession:

O Lord, we come before You humbly, acknowledging You are the creator of heaven and earth. Father, as we strive to follow You, we stumble and fall like small children. We do what we do not want to do, and in doing so stray from Your path. Please Lord, guide us along the right paths for Your name sake, and give us the faith to follow wherever You lead. In the name of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen

*Silent Confession of Sin

*Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 100:5

⁵ For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

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

*The Gloria Patri Hymnal # 734
Walks with Jesus Les Powell
First Scripture: Isaiah 58:1-9a Pew Bible #721

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: "Amazing Grace!" Hymn # 422

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology Hymn #34

*Prayer

Anthem: (Hymn#156) "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Choir

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:13-20 Pew Bible #936

Sermon: "Jesus = Fulfillment" Rev. John McCarthy

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Apostles' Creed Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

*Hymn: "As a Fire Is Meant for Burning" Hymn #551

*Charge and Blessing

* Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Directives for Prayer

Dave & Rachael Carter, Pioneers

Prayers continue: Kim & Jim Albert

- 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.

Flowers – Given in loving memory of Jenny Wilkins for her birthday by Paige and Sue.

Ushers – Serving today Mike Freshour at the North Door. Joanna Hughes at the South Door. Acolyte today is Matthew Fraser Freshour. Audio is Colter Wickemeyer.

This Week's Announcements

Souper Bowl – Today! February 8 – We hold our annual collection of soup for the Good Samaritan. Souper Bowl is an annual event that helps fight hunger. Running for over 35 years raising over \$220 million for local food charities. Bring can(s) of soup or funds marked "Souper Bowl".

Mission Opportunity - Information meeting today after worship ~ 12:00 noon in the Food Pantry building of Main Street UMC.

They are planning to help a North Carolina area, likely one that was hit by Helene. Come out and get more details.

Women's Bible Study – Next class this Wednesday, February 11 at 10:30 am; a new study of Ephesians beginning. Come out and enjoy this new study, whether you've come to the past studies, or not, it's a great time to start a new habit, study, and fellowship.

Card Ministry:

***First Pres** - Tuesday, February 17 at 10:30 am

***Commonwealth** –Thursday, February 12 at 1pm.

Good Samaritan – February collection will be – Soup.

Pancake Breakfast – Sunday, February 15 -the Deacons will be providing a pancake breakfast in celebration and preparation for the start of Lent. There will not be Sunday School, come and socialize and enjoy the pancake breakfast (9:45 am).

Shrove Tuesday – Tuesday, February 17 – 5 – 7 pm. Main St. Methodist Church is hosting a pancake dinner, preparing for Lent to begin the next day. There is no cost, but donations are requested. Donations will go to help support Recovering Hands – an inpatient women's recovery center in Nathalie.

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.

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



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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Calendar

Sunday, February 8 9:45 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Fellowship
11:00 am – Worship

Wednesday, February 11 10:30 am – Women's Bible Study
12:00 noon - AA
6:00 pm - Choir
6:00 pm – NA

Friday, February 13 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

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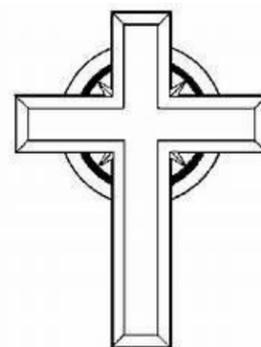
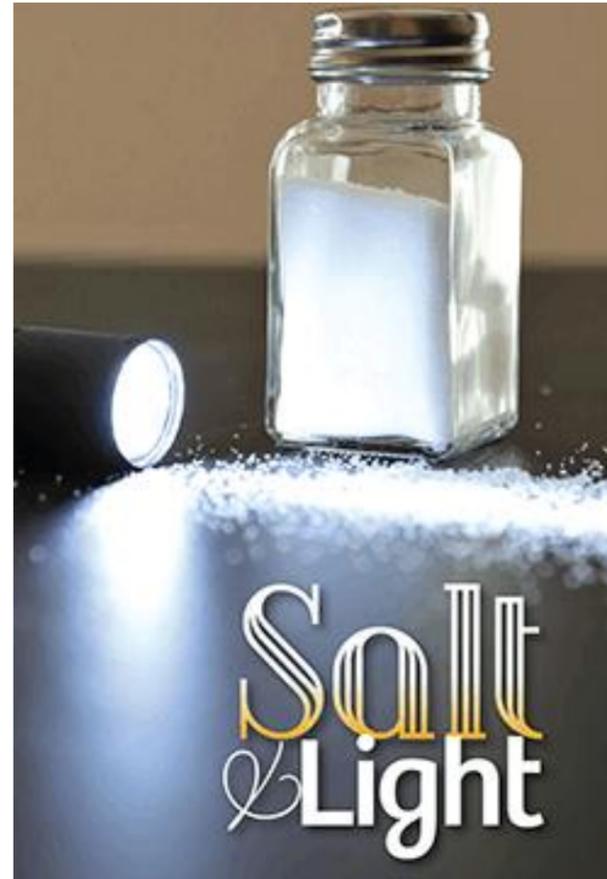
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