

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:

*Salutation and Call to Worship: Psalm 100

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

² **Serve the LORD with gladness!
 Come into his presence with singing!**

³ Know that the LORD, he is God!
 It is he who made us, and we are his;
 we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ **Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
 and his courts with praise!
 Give thanks to him; bless his name!**

⁵ For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Hymn: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Hymn# 72

*Let us pray a unison prayer of Confession: Psalm 51:1-4, 12, 17

"¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your unfailing love; according to Your great compassion blot out my transgressions. ² Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. ⁴ Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight; so You are right in Your verdict and justified when You judge... ¹² Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me... ¹⁷ My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart You, God, will not despise". In the name of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen

*Silent Confession of Sin

*Assurance of Pardon: John 3:16-17

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

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

*The Gloria Patri Hymnal # 734
 Walks with Jesus Les Powell
 First Scripture: 1 Peter 3:13-22 Pew Bible #1178

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: "Thy Word" Hymn #664
 Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology Hymn #34

*Prayer
 Anthem: (Hopper/Gould) "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" Choir

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading: John 14:15-21 Pew Bible #1046

Sermon: "Jesus Promises" Rev. John McCarthy

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Apostles' Creed Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

*Hymn: "How Great Thou Art" (v. 1&4) Hymn #51

*Charge and Blessing

* Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Directives for Prayer

Matthew & Teresa Lee, Wycliffe Bible Translators

Prayers continue: Wayne Adams

- 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 Paige Powell at the North Door. Sue Wilkins at the South Door. Acolyte today Matthew Fraser Freshour. Audio is Robert Guthrie.

This Week's Announcements

Session –Next Sunday, May 17th after worship,

Upper Room – May/June issue is now available at all entrances.

Good Samaritan – May collection: canned meats, tuna, chicken, peanut butter, etc.

Operation Christmas Child – May collection: small toys for both boys and girls.

Graduation Sunday – Congratulations to Ashton Cranford for all his hard work throughout his school years. He has been accepted to UVA. We are excited for his new chapter in life. May God continue to bless him and help him to stay close to the Lord.

Baptism - Sunday, May 24 – Jacqueline Powell will be baptized. Save the date plan to come to support her.

Mark your calendar –

Stand Firm Youth Revival – Wednesday, June 17 at Constitution Square. Watch for more information.

Happy Mother's Day!



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



Calendar

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

Wednesday, May 13 6:00 pm - Choir
 6:00 pm – NA

Friday, May 15 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
 Joni Owens
 Colter Wickemeyer

Class of 2028

Mike Freshour

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Class of 2026

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 Joanna Hughes

Class of 2027

Sallie Adams
 Melissa Fraser
 Terri Smith

Class of 2028

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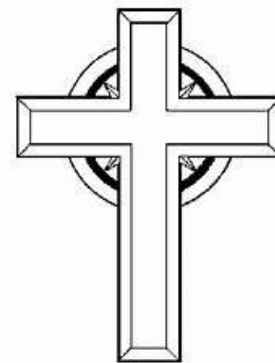
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Our Missionaries

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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