

11:00 am Worship

May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Call to Worship (Hymn #492) "Spirit of the Living God"
 Greeting/Announcements/Scripture Reader: Don Cherry
 Prelude: (arr: Anthony Burger) "America Medley"
 Hymn: "On Pentecost They Gathered" Hymn #334

The Sacrament of Baptism
PRESENTATION

Responsive reading (Ephesians 4:4-6; Galatians 3:27-28)
 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,
One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.
 As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.
There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all are one in Christ Jesus!

Responsive questions

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Thanksgiving over the Water and Prayer:
 The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
 Let us pray

THE BAPTISM

Welcome - Elder
 Jacqueline Powell, you have been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church through Baptism. By the power of the Holy Spirit, you have become members of the household of God, to share with us in the ministry of Christ and the priesthood of all believers.
 With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you in the body of Christ. **Alleluia! Amen!**
The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

*The Gloria Patri Hymnal # 734
 Walks with Jesus Don Cherry
 First Scripture: Acts 2:1-21 Pew Bible #1056

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: "As a Fire Is Meant for Burning" Hymn #551
 Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
 *Doxology Hymn #34
 *Prayer
 Anthem: (Hymn #682) "The Fruit of Love" (v 1,3,5) Solo Kay Lewis

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 12 Pew Bible #1113
 Sermon: "Open Your Gift" Rev. John McCarthy
 Prayer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Hymn: "Spirit of the Living God" Hymn #492
 *Charge and Blessing
 * Postlude
 *Congregation Standing

Directives for Prayer

Persecution Project Foundation, Sudan
 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.

Flowers – Given to the glory of God and in honor of Brittany's 21st birthday from her family.

Ushers – Serving today Mike Freshour at the North Door. Robin Hall at the South Door. Acolyte today: Matthew Fraser Freshour. Audio is Robert Guthrie.

This Week's Announcements

Baptism - Today Jacqueline Powell will be baptized. We welcome her into God's kingdom.

Autopsy of a Deceased Church – The leadership group read and studied this book. It is a great read for all. Pick up your copy today.

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.

Office Hours – The Church Office will be closed Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.

Memorial Service for Leon Plaster- will be held here at First Presbyterian, Saturday, May 30 at 11:00 am.

Fellowship Meal – Sunday, June 7 after worship. Deacons will provide Beverages and Desserts. Congregation asked to bring an entrée or side dish. Come join us and enjoy the fellowship together.

Mark your calendar –

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



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



Calendar

Sunday, May 24 9:45 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Fellowship
11:00 am – Worship

Monday, May 25 Office Closed – Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 27 6:00 pm - Choir
6:00 pm – NA

Friday, May 28 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

Diaconate

Sterling Roberts – Chair

Class of 2026

Sandi Hughes
Kim Wickemeyer
Joanna Hughes

Class of 2027

Sallie Adams
Melissa Fraser
Terri Smith

Class of 2028

Carol Foster
Robin Hall
Sterling Byrd-Roberts

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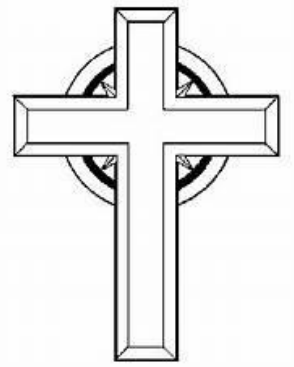
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Mike Rand

The W.W. Glass Scholarship Fund Trustees

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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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