



- **Our members and friends who are living in a nursing home, assisted living, or are partially or fully "home-bound"**
- **All those battling cancer**

We encourage you to pray for these friends – send them a note, call, or visit them. Addresses and phone numbers can be obtained from the church office. Send your prayer requests, concerns, and updates to office@fpcjc.com

Notice of Filming: Worship services are filmed and recorded to be included on our Church website, Facebook, YouTube, etc. While most footage will feature worship leaders, video of the congregation may also appear. Children may be seen during children's sermons. If you have concerns, please get in touch with the church office.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We strive to be a loving family of faith, nurturing the spiritual growth of one another as we serve, worship, and reach out in celebration of Christ's Love.

May 11, 2025

PRELUDE

Processional by Margaret R. Tucker
Glory Ringers

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Frayed and frazzled, our lives are filled with tension and anxiety,

People: we gather to find that place of peace which God offers to us.

Leader: Awash in worries and doubts, drowning in a sea of fears,

People: we gather beside the still waters where Jesus offers us a cup of grace.

Leader: Weakened by the burdens of life, wandering as if lost in a wilderness,

People: we gather so the Spirit can restore our souls and show us the path to the kingdom.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #610**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
(verses 1,2,4, & 5)

***INVITATION TO, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God who shepherds us, you must wonder how long we will continue to live the way we do. We snatch hope out of the grasp of those who need it most. Our acts of kindness are

offered only to those we think to be deserving of our generosity. We gather around to watch endless reality shows, while those whose real lives are filled with struggle and loss are ignored.

Yet you refuse to keep forgiveness a mystery, Gracious God, but offer it to us without any hesitation. You gather us in the green pastures of mercy, so we might find hope; you offer us a drink of the living waters so we might become still enough to listen to your heart; you send the Spirit to take us by the hand to lead us on the paths of justice; the goodness and mercy of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, follow us all the days as we seek to be faithful in our calling to serve him. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS (Hymn #447)** *We are Forgiven*
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

***THE PEACE**

(Please greet one another and exchange signs of peace and reconciliation)

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER

FIRST LESSON

Leader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

CHORAL ANTHEM

With Every Breath by Medema

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Graduate Recognition
Volunteer Appreciation

THE MESSAGE TEXT AND MESSAGE

John 10:22-30
“The Shepherd Knows His Sheep”

RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostle’s Creed pg. 35

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offering plates will be passed o those seated in the pews. Gifts or pledges may also be sent to First Presbyterian Church by mail or through the “Give Now” link on our website: <https://www.fpcjc.com>.

OFFERTORY

Joyful Dance by Margaret R. Tucker
Glory Ringers

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER** (Offertory Response, Hymn #606)

***COMMUNION HYMN #526** *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

GO IN GOD’S NAME

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT #39**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***People stand as they are able**

Newsletter Reminder:

If you have any announcements, updates, or events you'd like included in the **June/July church newsletter**, please send the information to the **church office** by **May 20, 2025**.

 **Email:** office@fpcjc.com

Thank you for helping us keep everyone informed!

Church Services Online:

You can stream our church services at: <https://www.fpcjc.com>

 Links to our **Facebook** and **YouTube** pages are available on the site.

 The **worship bulletin** can also be found there.

Weather-Related Worship Service Cancellations:

When inclement weather is in the forecast, there are **three ways** you can find out if a worship service has been canceled:

1. **WIBW** – Check the **WIBW website** or watch **WIBW TV** for cancellation notices.
2. **Facebook** – Visit our **First Presbyterian Church - Junction City** page for updates.
3. **Email** – If we have your email address on file, we'll send a cancellation notice directly to your inbox.

Stay safe and connected!

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday

6:00 pm Cub Scouts

Wednesday

6:30 pm All Choir's Picnic
8:00 pm AA Meeting

Sunday

10:45 am Worship, child care available
Coffee Fellowship

Thanks to those who have assisted in this morning's worship:

Transitional Pastor: Kemper Huber

Worship Leader: Mary Kay Munson

Chancel Choir Director: Joe Markley

Music Coordinator & Handbell Director: Sheila Markley

Organist: August Siefkes

Video Preparer/Operator/Sound: Colleen Smith

Key Deacon for May: Kimberly Williams (785-307-5297)

Elder on call the week of May 11: Sheila Markley (785-280-0595)

Head Usher for May 11: Rick Munson

Coffee Fellowship is hosted by the Christian Education Committee

Children Are Welcome in Worship. We joyfully welcome all children and youth to stay and participate in the worship service as we experience God together. If you prefer, our nursery is available, and our caring staff is ready to lovingly receive your child.

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are provided by Bill and Vannessa Osbourn to the glory of God and in memory of our mothers Dorothy Thierer and Margaret Shane.

All Choirs Picnic - Wednesday, May 14, 6:30 pm
Markley Home, 240 West 5th, JC

All Choirs Invited:
Chancel Choir
Glory Ringers

Bring delicious potluck foods, table utensils, lawn chairs, and frisbees!
Drinks will be provided!

If you have information you would like included in the bulletin, please contact the church office by **noon on Wednesday**.

 Call: 785-238-1191

 Email: office@fpcjc.com

Christian Education Volunteer Appreciation Summer 2024-Spring 2025

Get Involved in Our Christian Education Programs! Volunteer for one of our exciting events and make a difference in the lives of others. *Opportunities include Trunk or Treat, Christmas and Easter Celebrations, VBS, Sunday School, JELLY, Adult Sunday School, Noon Bible Study, and more.* Join us in sharing faith, love, and community!

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| 1. Chrystal Artigue | 25. Robert Munson |
| 2. John Austin | 26. Lisa Nabus |
| 3. Dianna Charland | 27. Carly O'Dell |
| 4. Elaine Dill | 28. Jack O'Dell |
| 5. Brenda Edleston | 29. Heather Oentrich |
| 6. Rob Edleston | 30. Janet Parrish |
| 7. Bob Frasier | 31. Carol Powers |
| 8. Rhoda Frasier | 32. Marcie Proietti |
| 9. Lonny Goble | 33. Annette Ray |
| 10. Melissa Goble | 34. Mark Rombold |
| 11. Chris Heldstab | 35. Colleen Smith |
| 12. Randy Heldstab | 36. Randy Smith |
| 13. Janet Huber | 37. Terrah Stroda |
| 14. Kemper Huber | 38. Alice Stuckey |
| 15. Chris Jeffrey | 39. Kim Williams |
| 16. Margaret Kilpatrick | 40. Jade White |
| 17. Ashley King | 41. Sandy Wong |
| 18. Jenna Langvardt | 42. Vic Wong |
| 19. Jennifer Lankas | 43. Carolyn Zumbrunn |
| 20. Stephanie Lindey | |
| 21. Valerie Marchesi | |
| 22. Joe Markley | |
| 23. Sheila Markley | |
| 24. Mary Kay Munson | |

Volunteering is
a work of heart



2025 Graduates to be Recognized CONGRATULATIONS!



Braedon Stroda is the son of Terrah Stroda. He will be graduating from Junction City High School on May 18, 2025. Braedon will be attending Kansas State University in the fall. He will be majoring in Construction Science. We wish him all the best in his future endeavors!



Jada Nabus is the daughter of Randy and Lisa Nabus. She will be graduating from Baker University School of Nursing with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Jada will be employed as a Registered Nurse at Stormont Vail Emergency Department in Topeka. We wish her all the best in her career!

