



- **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@gmail.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 contact 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.

September 8, 2024

PRELUDE

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lord, open our hearts this morning to hear your words of compassion.

People: Lord, help us to truly listen to you.

Leader: Lord, open our spirits this morning to strengthen our faith.

People: Lord, help us to work for you.

Leader: Lord, make us ready to serve.

People: Lord, make us ready to witness to your healing love. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #610**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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

Eternal God, our judge, and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we

**may choose your will and obey your commandments;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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)

MINUTE FOR MISSION School Hygiene Kits Deacons

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER

FIRST LESSON *Psalms 146*
Leader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S MOMENT & CELEBRATION SUNDAY
Pastor Kemper & Christian Ed. Committee

CHORAL ANTHEM *Shine Through Me...* by Whipple

THE MESSAGE TEXT AND MESSAGE *Mark 7:24-29*
“Living Your Faith”

RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN #497 *Bread of Life From Heaven* (vs 1,3, & 5)

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*Offering plates will be passed to persons seated in pews.
Gifts/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

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

GO IN GOD’S NAME

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT #318** *In Christ There Is No East or West*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***People stand as they are able**

Church services are streamed at: <https://www.fpcjc.com>. You will find our worship bulletin and links to our Facebook page and YouTube on this webpage.

If you have any information you would like in the **bulletin**, please let the church office know by **noon on Wednesday** for that week. You may call 785-238-1191 or email your info to office.fpcjc@gmail.com

If you want to put anything into the **October** newsletter, please email the information to the church office no later than **September 20, 2024**. Our email address is office.fpcjc@gmail.com.

When inclement weather is forecast, there are three ways you can find out if the church worship service has been canceled: WIBW (website or T.V.), our First Presbyterian Church-Junction City Facebook page, and email from the church if we have your email address.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday

11:00 am	Staff Meeting
6:00 pm	Cub Scouts

Wednesday

8:30 am	Worship Committee
12:30 pm	Noon Bible Study
6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm	AA Meeting

Sunday

8:30 am	Glory Ringers Rehearsal
9:30 am	Sunday School
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 and Handbell Director: Sheila Markley
Organist: August Siefkes
Video Preparer/Operator/Sound: Colleen Smith
Key Deacon for September transportation: Krista Blaisdell (785-323-7174)
Elder on call the week of September 8: Margaret Kilpatrick (785-762-2780)
Head Usher for September: Rick Munson

Children are welcome in worship. We welcome all children and youth to stay during the worship service and experience God. If you need your child to go to the nursery, our caretakers are ready to receive them.

Acolyte training for 1st-5th graders will be during Sunday School on September 15. Plan to meet in the Sanctuary that day.

Jelly Reminder-The first Jelly meeting will be today, after service.



Can you host Cookie Fellowship? Dates are open beginning on October 6, 2024. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board across from the kitchenette. If you have any questions, contact Annette Ray at 785-210-4490 or Jenna Langvardt at 785-61-5815.



Church Potluck! after service Today!

The Pathfinder Adult Sunday School Class began today at 9:30 AM in Room 206. Our resource for the first sessions of the class will be “A Life Beyond Amazing; 9 Decisions That Will Transform Your Life Today” by Dr. David Jeremiah.

Dr. Jeremiah is a pastor and biblical scholar who produced “The Jeremiah Study Bible” and has written several books and Bible studies. In this Sunday School Class, we will use Dr. Jeremiah’s materials to study the traits that Jesus demonstrated in his life—traits that if we imitate—can make our life a life beyond amazing! This series will provide us with a roadmap to being a person of character patterned after the character of Christ. We hope that you can join us!

The noon bible study will begin on September 11, with Elaine Dill leading a study on Max Lucado’s book *Fearless*. This class meets from 12:30 to 1:30 pm in room 206.

Join us for our NEW YOUTH GROUP!!

(This is replacing our regular Wednesday night programming)



WHO: Kindergarten - 12th Grade

WHEN: 1st Sunday of the Month, immediately following worship (12-2pm).

WHERE: Meet downstairs in the dining room

WHAT: We will begin with a meal and fellowship with all the kids, then will split up into age groups to work on that month’s community project!

Cleanliness is next to Godliness! It’s no *Secret* the Deacons are **REACHing** out for your help! We are **campaigning to collect travel-size shampoos, conditioners, body washes, deodorants** (preferably spray, but all welcome), **and boys' and girls' underwear** ranging in sizes from Youth 4 to Youth XL and women's Adult Small to Adult Large, to donate to the schools for USD 475.

Look for the red tub in the Narthex and drop off your items any time through Sunday, September 29. Monetary donations are welcomed as well, please indicate your donation is in support of the Deacon Hygiene Kit project. We **SURE** appreciate it!

