

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offering plates will be passed to 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

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

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING and THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Blessed are you, O Lord our God....

Through the Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Spirit,
we bless you, God of glory, now and forever. **Amen**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Nourishing God, thank you for inviting us to your table where all are welcome, and for feeding us with the bread of life and quenching our thirst with the cup of blessing.

As you have filled our lives with love and hope, may we be a source of your love and hope for others who hunger and thirst for good news. Amen.

***HYMN #546**

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***People stand as they are able**

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.

August 3, 2025

PRELUDE

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 107: 1-9, 43

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

People: for his steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

People: those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Leader: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town;

People: hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

Leader: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress;

People: he led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town.

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

Leader: For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

People: Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the Lord.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #643**

Now Thank We All Our God

***CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Leader: We have been buried with Christ in baptism,
in order that we might be raised with him through faith in
the power of God.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

**People: Faithful and loving God, we confess that we have not
lived in faith and love.**

**You offer us the gift of salvation, but we spend our
lives in vain pursuits.**

**You provide enough for all to share, but we store up
treasures for ourselves.**

Forgive us, God of grace.

**Teach us to seek the way of heaven and to let go of
earthly desires so that we might have abundant life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: Once we were dead in sin; now we are alive in Christ.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

Down by the Riverside, A spiritual
Women's Trio

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Colossians 3:1-11

A CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN

***HYMN #14** *For the Beauty of the Earth* (Verses 1, 2 and 4)

THE SERMON TEXT

Luke 12:13-21

SERMON

"Remember Who You Are ..."

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

Leader: We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

**People: In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people, to live as
one community.**

Leader: But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

**People: Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our
care.**

Leader: We deserve God's condemnation.

**People: Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem
creation.**

**In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah
chose a covenant people to bless all families of the
earth.**

Leader: Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from
the house of bondage.

**People: Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the
covenant.**

**Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.**

***HYMN #716**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending



- 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.

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

Pastor: Nate Hood

Chancel Choir Director: Joe Markley

Music Coordinator & Handbell Director: Sheila Markley

Organist: Rhoda Frasier

Video Preparer/Operator/Sound: Colleen Smith

Key Deacon for August: Les Fehr (785-238-8809)

Elder on call the week of August 3: Rhoda Frasier (785-479-1867)

Head Usher for August 3: Sheila Markley

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.

Thank you to Women's Trio, Linda Brungardt, Chris Heldstab, and Sheila Markley for providing our Special Music this morning.

All undesignated offerings this morning will be collected for McKinney-Vento/Kids in Crisis.

Pastor Search Gift Campaign:

We are having a special one-time fund campaign for you to make a monetary gift to help defray the expenses of the pastor search and transitional process.

The campaign fund goal is to raise \$20,000. You can give by check or using our church website at <https://www.fpcjc.com> and clicking on the "Give Now" button. Be sure to note on your gift "***Pastor Search Gift***".

Newsletter Reminder:

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

✉ **Email:** office@fpcjc.com

Thank you for helping us keep everyone informed!

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

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.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday

4:00 pm Facilities Committee

Tuesday

1:30 pm Finance Committee
5:30 pm Mission, Evangelism & Fellowship
6:00 pm Deacons

Wednesday

8:30 am Worship Committee
8:00 pm AA Meeting

Sunday

10:45 am Worship, child care available
12:00 pm Rolf Family Get-Together



Join Us for the Annual First Presbyterian Farmers Market!

Hosted by the Mission, Evangelism & Fellowship (MEF) Committee
Today, August 3 • After Worship Service

The MEF Committee is excited to host our annual **Farmers Market** following the service today!

All items will be sold at the church, with **100% of proceeds supporting local mission efforts** through the MEF fund throughout the year. Thank you for sharing your gifts and supporting our church's outreach in the community!

Blessing of the
BACKPACKS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

**Students are invited
to bring their
backpacks to our
worship service for a
BACK TO SCHOOL
BLESSING**