



- 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.

August 17, 2025

PRELUDE

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In a world where lies surround us,

People: Your word is like fire, God nearby!

Leader: In a world full of false prophets and empty promises,

People: Your word is like fire, God nearby!

Leader: In a world where words don't have meaning,

People: Your word is like fire, God nearby!

Leader: We are here, ready for our faith to be kindled by your word.

People: We are here to worship the God who is nearby!

*HYMN OF PRAISE #327

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

*THE PEACE

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

*INVITATION TO, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: God of healing mercies, we come to you this day as imperfect people. We know that you desire for us hope, happiness, and love, yet we have found so many ways in which to block your gifts, or to grab hold of them as if we were entitled to them.

People: We have been given the pathway to peace in the

witness of Jesus Christ. He taught us to live as people of compassion and service. But our service has been mostly for ourselves, for our own gratification. We have failed to be your church, your witnesses on earth. We have neglected the needs of others in our rush for our own comfort.

Leader: Forgive us, O merciful God. Heal our wounded spirits. Turn us again to you, that we may again learn of your love and mercy. Help us to become partners in peace and hope for others. For we ask this in Jesus' Name.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: **In the grace and love of God, we are forgiven.
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.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Bound for Glory...*Arr. Tammy Waldrop
Summer Handbell Ensemble

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

***HYMN #355**

O Hear Our Cry, O Lord

THE MESSAGE TEXT AND MESSAGE

Isaiah 5:1-7

"A Song Worth Singing"

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Philippians 2:5-11*

We believe in Jesus Christ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*News! News!...*Arr. Jill Fedon
Summer Handbell Ensemble

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

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT #738**

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

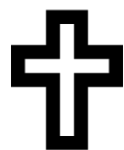
***People stand as they are able**



Sunday School

Teachers Needed

Kindergarten through 2nd grade.



We need ONE volunteer each week.



**Lessons are already
prepared for you!**



If you can help, please get in touch with Dawn Avery by email at youth@fpcjc.com. Thank you.

Thank you to all who assisted in this morning's worship service:

Pastor: Nathanael Hood

Worship Leader: Rick Munson

Chancel Choir Director: Joe Markley

Music Coordinator & Handbell Director: Sheila Markley

Organist: August Siefkes

Video Preparer/Operator/Sound: Colleen Smith

Key Deacon for August: Les Fehr (785-226-1522)

Elder on call the week of August 17: Rhoda Frasier (785-479-1867)

Head Usher for August 17: 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 the Summer Handbell Ensemble for providing our Special Music this morning. Ensemble members are: Chrystal Artigue, Linda Brungardt, Rhoda Frasier, Bob Haynes, Pam Haynes, Kelly Landes, Jenna Langvardt, Rick Munson, and Alice Stuckey

Chancel Choir Members, Bell Choir Members, Potential Choir Members and Church Friends:

Picnic Time!



To celebrate the end of summer and beginning of the Autumn season, we are having a Potluck Picnic at the Markley home, 240 West 5th August 27 at 6:30 pm. This is for all of our Choir members, their families, and our friends. Please bring your picnic baskets packed and join us for this annual tradition. Table service, drinks and chairs will be provided.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us. Joe's cell is 785.479.0321. Sheila's cell is: 785.280.0595. Hope to see you there.

Thank you, Sheila Markley

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 transitional process.

The campaign fund goal is to raise \$20,000. As of last Sunday, August 10, we have received \$12,595 towards this purpose.

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***".

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday

6:00 pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday

9:00 am Presbytery Meeting-Via Zoom
7:00 pm Session Meeting

Wednesday

8:00 pm AA Meeting

Thursday

11:00 am Christian Education Meeting

Sunday

10:45 am Worship, child care available
12:00 pm Pastor/Youth Pizza meet and greet

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

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!

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.

Potluck *Event*

Join us on Sunday, Sept. 7th after church for a potluck meal!
Mission/Evangelism/Fellowship will provide a main dish, you
bring a favorite side or dessert to share!



Sun., Sept. 7th
After Church



1st
Presbyterian
Church



Join us for Celebration Sunday on September 7!

Sunday School classes will
begin at 9:30 am. There will be
a celebration with the youth
during worship.

*3rd Graders will receive their
bibles during worship*

Join us for a
Pizza Party
and for a chance
to meet our NEW
PASTOR

Sunday, August 24

12 pm – 1 pm
K – 12th grade

