FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025 ~ MORNING WORSHIP

Have you ever considered what a privilege it is to *participate* in worship? Most do not realize how the Reformation changed the worship of God's people. Prior to reformation, the liturgy of the Church was in Latin and the congregation largely sat as spectators while the priests performed the mass (including much of the singing). With the spread of revival and reformation, in addition to translating the Scriptures into the language of the people, Luther and others began to write psalms, hymns and spiritual songs in the common tongue. God's people were able, perhaps for the first time in centuries, to engage heart and mind in songs of praise! Let us join them now in worship, praising the Triune God who has saved us by His grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ!

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Marty Martin

Introit

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Call to Worship

Psalm 107:1-3

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His lovingkindness is everlasting. Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom He has redeemed from the hand of the adversary and gathered from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

§ Hymn

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above No. 4 stanzas 1, 3, 5, & 6

§ Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Andrew Newman

Old Testament Reading

Amos 7:1-17

Thus the Lord God showed me, and behold, He was forming a locust-swarm when the spring crop began to sprout. And behold, the spring crop was after the king's mowing. And it came about, when it had finished eating the vegetation of the land, that I said, "Lord God, please pardon! How can Jacob stand, for he is small?" The Lord changed His mind about this. "It shall not be," said the Lord

Thus the Lord God showed me, and behold, the Lord God was calling to contend with them by fire, and it consumed the great deep and began to consume the farm land. Then I said, "Lord God, please stop! How can Jacob stand, for he is small?" The Lord changed His mind about this. "This too shall not be," said the Lord God.

Thus He showed me, and behold, the Lord was standing by a vertical wall with a plumb line in His hand. The LORD said to me, "What do you see, Amos?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "Behold I am about to put a plumb line in the midst of My people Israel. I will spare them no longer. The high places of Isaac will be desolated and the sanctuaries of Israel laid waste. Then I will rise up against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent word to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel; the land is unable to endure all his words. For thus Amos says, 'Jeroboam will die by the sword and Israel will certainly go from its land into exile." Then Amaziah said to Amos, "Go, you seer, flee away to the land of Judah and there eat bread and there do your prophesying! But no longer prophesy at Bethel, for it is a sanctuary of the king and a royal residence."

Then Amos replied to Amaziah, "I am not a prophet, nor am I the son of a prophet; for I am a herdsman and a grower of sycamore figs. But the LORD took me from following the flock and the LORD said to me, 'Go prophesy to My people Israel.' Now hear the word of the LORD: you are saying, 'You shall not prophesy against Israel nor shall you speak against the house of Isaac.' Therefore, thus says the LORD, 'Your wife will become a harlot in the city, your sons and your daughters will fall by the sword, your land will be parceled up by a measuring line and you yourself will die upon unclean soil. Moreover, Israel will certainly go from its land into exile."

§ **Hymn** Not All the Blood of Beasts No. 242

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Psalm 1

Blessed are the ones who delight in the law of the Lord. On God's law they meditate day and night. They are like a tree, planted by the water, which yields its fruit in season, whose leaf shall never wither, and all they do shall prosper.

Blessed are the ones who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners, or sit in the seat of mockers, for they delight in the law of the Lord

Prayer of Petition and Supplication

Pastor Martin

§ **Hymn** The God of Abraham Praise

No. 34

Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 4:1-14

Pew Bible page 188

¹"Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the judgments which I am teaching you to perform, so that you may live and go in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word which I am commanding you, nor take away from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you. ³Your eyes have seen what the LORD has done in the case of Baal-peor, for all the men who followed Baal-peor, the LORD your God has destroyed them from among you. ⁴But you who held fast to the LORD your God are alive today, every one of you.

⁵"See, I have taught you statutes and judgments just as the LORD my God commanded me, that you should do thus in the land where you are entering to possess it. ⁶So keep and do them, for that is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes and say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as is the LORD our God whenever we call on Him? ⁸Or what great nation is there that has statutes and judgments as righteous as this whole law which I am setting before you today?

⁹⁴Only give heed to yourself and keep your soul diligently, so that you do not forget the things which your eyes have seen and they do not depart from your heart all the days of your life; but make them known to your sons and your grandsons. ¹⁰Remember the day you stood before the LORD your God at Horeb, when the LORD said to me, 'Assemble the people to Me, that I may let them hear My words so they may learn to fear Me all the days they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children.' ¹¹You came near and stood at the foot of the mountain, and the mountain burned with fire to the very heart of the heavens: darkness, cloud and thick gloom. ¹²Then the LORD spoke to you from the midst of the fire; you heard the sound of words, but you saw no form—only a voice. ¹³So He declared to you His covenant which He commanded you to perform, that is, the Ten Commandments; and He wrote them on two tablets of stone. ¹⁴The LORD commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and judgments, that you might perform them in the land where you are going over to possess it."

Proclamation of God's Word

Pastor Martin

The Lord's Good Commands

§ Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name stanzas 1, 2, 5, & 6

No. 296

§ Benediction

§ Corporate "Amen"

§ The congregation will please stand.

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EVENING WORSHIP

Call to Worship Psalm 9:7-10

§ **Psalm** The Man Who Once Has Found Abode (stanzas 1, 2, 3, 4, & 7) No. 90

§ Prayer of Praise and Adoration

Old Testament Reading

Pastor Andrew Newman

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No. 536

Proverbs 17:1-15

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

§ Hvmn

How Can I Keep from Singing! Cathy Lawton, piano

Searcher of Hearts, from Mine Erase

Prayer of Confession, Petition, and Intercession

Pastor Marty Martin

§ **Psalm** I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

No. 168

Scripture Reading

John 8:31-59

Pew Bible page 1070

³¹So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, "If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never yet been enslaved to anyone; how is it that You say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son does remain forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. ³⁷I know that you are Abraham's descendants; yet you seek to kill Me, because My word has no place in you. ³⁸I speak the things which I have seen with My Father; therefore you also do the things which you heard from your father."

³⁹They answered and said to Him, "Abraham is our father." Jesus said to them, "If you are Abraham's children, do the deeds of Abraham. ⁴⁰But as it is, you are seeking to kill Me, a man who has told you the truth, which I heard from God; this Abraham did not do. ⁴¹You are doing the deeds of your father." They said to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father: God." ⁴²Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and have come from God, for I have not even come on My own initiative, but He sent Me. ⁴³Why do you not understand what I am saying? It is because you cannot hear My word. ⁴⁴You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies. ⁴⁵But because I speak the truth, you do not believe Me. ⁴⁶Which one of you convicts Me of sin? If I speak truth, why do you not believe Me? ⁴⁷He who is of God hears the words of God; for this reason you do not hear them, because you are not of God."

⁴⁸The Jews answered and said to Him, "Do we not say rightly that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?" ⁴⁹Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon; but I honor My Father, and you dishonor Me. ⁵⁰But I do not seek My glory; there is One who seeks and judges. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word he will never see death." ⁵²The Jews said to Him, "Now we know that You have a demon. Abraham died, and the prophets also; and You say, 'If anyone keeps My word, he will never taste of death.' ⁵³Surely You are not greater than our father Abraham, who died? The prophets died too; whom do You make Yourself out to be?" ⁵⁴Jesus answered, "If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing; it is My Father who glorifies Me, of whom you say, 'He is our God'; ⁵⁵and you have not come to know Him, but I know Him; and if I say that I do not know Him, I will be a liar like you, but I do know Him and keep His word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷So the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am." ⁵⁹Therefore they picked up stones to throw at Him, but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple.

Proclamation of God's Word

Pastor Newman

True Children of God

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

No. 164

§ Benediction

§ Hymn

August 10, 2025—Nursery Schedule:

11:00 AM Infant Nursery: Nancy Jurik & Lynn Tate; Alternate: Marijke Alford
11:00 AM Toddler Nursery: Katie & Adaya Moses
6:00 PM Evening Nursery: Abbye Dilling & Steve Lawton

August 17, 2025—Nursery Schedule:

11:00 AM Infant Nursery: Julie Worley & Tiffani Medlin; Alternate: Debbie Spink
11:00 AM Toddler Nursery: Jennifer & Charlie or Addis Carter
6:00 PM Evening Nursery: Heather & Lucas Nossaman

Questions? Contact nursery@fellowshippres.org.

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THE SESSION:

Teaching Elder: Pastor Martin H. Martin Ruling Elders: Craig Bouvier, Terry Richards, Tim Taylor, Jeff Wayne, Sr. Elder of the Month: Tim Taylor

THE DIACONATE:

Deacons: Pat DeJong, Jared Farquhar, Dave Frengel, Brian Medlin, Kelly Peterson, Philip Triplett Deacon of the Week: Pat DeJong

ASSISTANT PASTOR: Pastor Andrew Newman

COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL CARE: Pastor Peter Spink

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES: Steve Lawton

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: Jeff Wayne, Sr.

CHURCH INTERN: Greg Horsky

ACCOMPANISTS:

Piano, Beverly Brouwer and Cathy Lawton; Organ, Sheryl Farquhar

MISSIONARIES & BENEVOLENCE MINISTRIES:

Rev. & Mrs. Albert Kona—Albania Rev & Mrs. Alonzo Ramirez—Peru Rev. & Mrs. Todd Crusey—London Rev. & Mrs. John Blevins—NW Knoxville Rev. & Mrs. Mikael Romer—Poland/ Ukraine Greenville Theological Seminary Greer Community Ministries Miracle Hill Ministries Rev. & Mrs. Mark Kuo—Taiwan
Rev. & Mrs. Gary Watanabe—Tokyo
Rev. & Mrs. Rob Hamby—Daniel Island
Rev & Mrs. Miguel D'Azevedo—Okinawa
Rev. & Mrs. Vinicius Pimentel—Brazil
Gospel Reformation Network
Covenant College
Samaritan's Purse/Operation Christmas Child

July 2025 General Fund Summary*

<u>Date</u>: Ju1 2025 <u>General Fund Giving</u>: \$43,246.11 **General Fund Expenses: General Fund Net Total:** \$70,000.31 (\$26,754.20)

Building Fund Total as of 7/01/2025: \$765,628.76 Building Fund Total as of 7/31/2025: \$770,028.76

*For a full Financial Report, please contact the church office or speak to an Officer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pew Cards: If you are new to Fellowship, please help us get to know you by filling out a pew card and dropping it in the offering plate. ~Thank you!

Wednesday Night Supper & Service Resume This Week!

5:30 PM: Catered Supper—\$3.50/ adult (ages 11 & up); \$2.50/child (ages 10 & under); \$15 max/family; sign-up is required.

*Please indicate on a pew card the number of adults & children attending this week's supper; the menu is BBQ sandwiches, slaw, chips, dessert. Food is served until 6:10 pm.

6:00 PM: High Point (youth), meets in the sanctuary 6:30 PM: Devotional & Prayer Time (adults); Catechism (children)

TONIGHT! Breakfast for Supper! Plan to join us, following evening worship, for breakfast fare, a time of fellowship, and a VBS/ Upward Bound presentation!

Please bring a breakfast casserole, breakfast meat, sausage balls, fruit or pastry ~Thank you!

Women's Banquet, Friday, August 22, 6:00 pm: Ladies, please join us for a complimentary catered dinner to kick off the 2025 Women's Fall Studies. **Sign-up (today is the deadline!)** in the narthex, online at https://fellowshippres.org/calendar/ or by emailing women@fellowshippres.org.

Adult Choir rehearses Sundays, 4:30 pm. New singers are welcome!

Adult Sunday School class meets in the Fellowship Hall through August 31, 10:00 am; New Adult Classes will begin September 7:

- Joshua, meeting in the Fellowship Hall
- James, meeting in the Sanctuary

Youth Teaching & Events:

- Sunday School, 10:00 am: Survey of the Pentateuch
- Wednesdays, High Point, 6:00 pm: Westminster Larger Catechism

Women's Fall Studies:

- Precepts study of Galatians: Meets Tuesdays, 9:45 am, at the church, <u>beginning 9/2</u>. Childcare is available. Book cost is \$12 (In & Out version) or \$15, (Precepts version)
- Isaiah: Meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 pm, at the home of Brittany Reini, <u>beginning 9/9</u>. Please contact Brittany if childcare is a hindrance. Utilizing Sarah Ivill's <u>Isaiah: The Holy One</u> of Israel, available on Amazon or Reformation Heritage Books.
- 1st, 2nd, & 3rd John: Meets Thursdays, 10:30 am, at the home of Barbara Wilder, <u>beginning</u> 9/11. Utilizing John Stott's <u>Letters of John</u>, available on Amazon.

Family Lake Day at Lake Apalachee in Greer, Saturday, August 30. Hotdogs & hamburgers will be provided; please bring a side to share. RSVP to Emma Arrison.

Bible Study Workshop: As a way to help the congregation grow in the Scriptures and to develop those who might have teaching gifts, we are making available an **eight-lesson online training course through the Charles Simeon Trust.** There is a minimal fee, which will be reimbursed by the church. **Sign-up begins today**, with a **launch date of August 31**, and a **Saturday morning review/ wrap-up at the church on November 1**. If you have questions, please email Pastor Martin. You can also view the course online at https://simeontrust.org/courses/first-principles/

Thursday, August 28, 6:30 pm: This prayer meeting, held at the home of Kevin & Cindy Worley on August 28, is for the sole purpose of praying for the unsaved. If you have questions or are unable to attend but would like us to include a particular family member or friend, please contact Sheri Bouvier.



FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (PCA)

August 10, 2025

Our purpose is to glorify the Triune God by reconciling the lost to Him through faith in Jesus Christ and equipping the saints to serve Him in every area of life.

2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Matthew 28:19-20