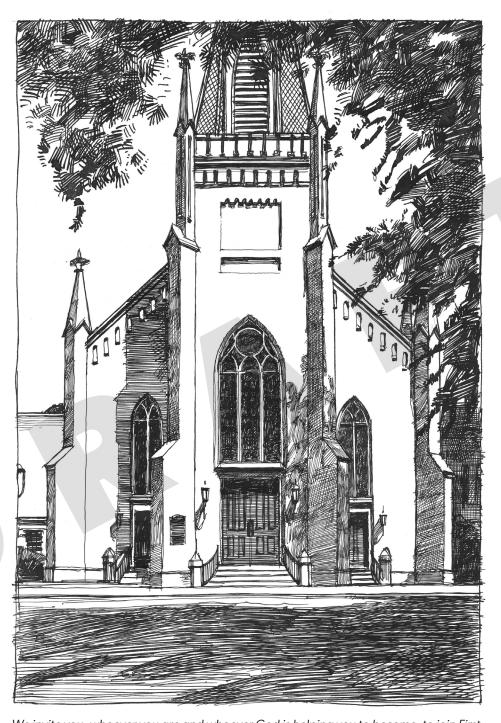
# First Presbyterian Church

11 AM WORSHIP | JUNE 29, 2025 | THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



We invite you, whoever you are and whoever God is helping you to become, to join First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte in our journey of faith. God is love, and that love is for you. You belong as a child of God, and we welcome you. Come experience how that belonging might change you and our world as we seek to be for Christ in the heart of Charlotte.



VIRTUAL CONNECT CARD



Are you interested in joining our church? Contact Jane Ives, Membership Coordinator, jives@firstprescharlotte.org.

#### **PREPARATION**

**Prelude** | Adagio and Allegro from *Concerto in G* | Johann Quantz

Words of Welcome | Chuck Williamson

**Chiming of the Trinity** 

## **ADORATION**

# Choral Call to Worship | Williams | ed. Young

This is the day that the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us rejoice. Amen!

+**Hymn No. 41** | "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!" | LYONS

#### CONFESSION -

**Call to Confession** | Delilah Jane Phillips

# **Prayer of Confession**

God of all life, we acknowledge that we belong to you, and that in you we have the promise of new life. Yet we have sought to hold on to our old ways of living, rather than embracing this new life you give. The signs of your goodness and love are all around us, but we continue to live in doubt and fear. Forgive our reluctance to trust in you. Set us free by your Spirit from all that binds us in unbelief. Fill us with new life in Christ, in whose name we pray.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, believe the good news.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

## +Response to Pardon | Hymn No. 581 | GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

## **Time with Children**

Children ages three through first grade may leave for First Church. They will return to the sanctuary during the last hymn. Older children are encouraged to stay and worship with their families.

#### **PROCLAMATION -**

# **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Anthem** | "I Will Arise" | arr. Parker/Shaw

I will arise and go to Jesus. He will embrace me in his arms, in the arms of my dear Savior. Oh! There are ten thousand charms. Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love. Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace. Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

**Scripture** | Matthew 22:1-14 | pew Bible p. 24

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

FIRST CHURCH MOBILE CHECK IN



**Sermon** | "That Looks Good on You" | Chuck Williamson

+**Hymn No. 341** | "O God, Show Mercy to Us" | THAXTED

#### **RESPONSE** -

# +Affirmation of Faith | Apostles' Creed | Lucy Crain

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

# Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Stewardship of Life** | Presentation of Tithes and Offering

# Offertory Anthem | "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" | arr. Mack Wilberg

My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name. In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, and leads me for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay. One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foe, doth still my table spread. My cup with blessings overflows; thine oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; o may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise! There would I find a settled rest while others go and come, no more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

## +Doxology | OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## +Prayer of Dedication

## **SENDING FORTH-**

- +**Hymn No. 804** | "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!" | MARION
- +Benediction
- +Benediction Response | "Amen" | DANISH

**Postlude** | Trumpet Tune | Michael McCabe

PRAYER REQUESTS



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# **ABOUT THIS SERVICE**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the anniversary of Dave and Carla Faust-Bare.

If you wish to sponsor sanctuary flowers for a baptism, marriage, memorial/honorarium, or special occasion, please notify Diane Maye at dianenmaye@hotmail.com.

## Today's Worship Leaders:

The Reverend Dr. Charles Williamson, Parish Associate
The Reverend Lucy M. Crain, Associate Pastor for Outreach and Mission
The Reverend Delilah Jane Phillips, Chaplain for FPC Schools
William P. Young, III, Director of Music Ministries
Erica Cice, oboe
David Dennis, accompanist
Anne Lafferty, flute