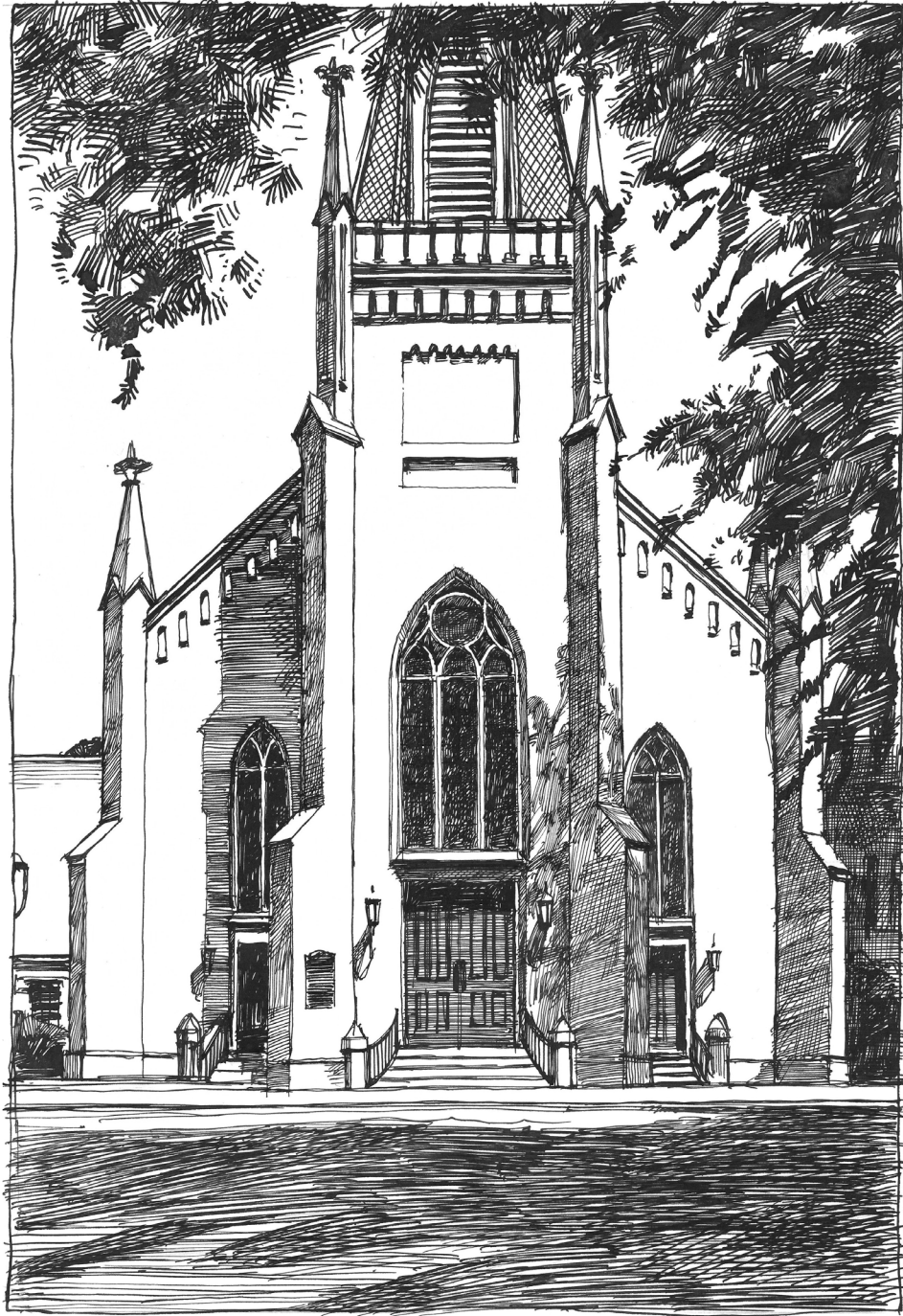


First Presbyterian Church

11 AM WORSHIP | JULY 19, 2026 | EIGHTH 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.



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Jane Ives,
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The Elder
assisting with
the baptism
today is Jane
Ives.

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CHECK IN**PREPARATION****Prelude** | Offertoire sur les grands jeux | François Couperin**Words of Welcome** | Lewis Galloway**Chiming of the Trinity****ADORATION****Choral Call to Worship** | Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name; from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known. Ye people, come, and bow before his throne.

+**Hymn No. 299** | “You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim” | HANOVER**CONFESSION****Call to Confession** | Lucy Baum**Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, you sent Jesus to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have wandered from your way; our minds and hearts are held captive by our sinful ways of thinking and doing. We see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed to love others as you have loved us; we have forgotten how to be just, merciful, and kind. Have mercy on us, O God, and forgive us. Restore a right spirit within us, so that we may know the joy of salvation and live in the world as faithful followers of Christ.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

+**Response to Pardon** | 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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism of Eleanor Anne Hunter Thompson

+**Apostles' Creed**

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.

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+ Please stand if you are able

PROCLAMATION

Prayer for Illumination**Scripture** | Psalm 1 | pew Bible p. 489

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**Anthem** | “With What Shall I Come Before the Lord?” | John Ness Beck

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings? Shall I come before him with yearling calves? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give him my first-born for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has shown you, O man. He has shown you what is good. What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.

Scripture | Philippians 2:1-11 | pew Bible p. 197

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Thanks be to God.**Sermon** | “Being In the Right Mind” | Lewis Galloway**+Hymn No. 727** | “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant” | THE SERVANT SONG**RESPONSE**

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer | Rob Spach

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** | “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” | arr. Gilbert Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down; did e’er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown? Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

+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. Amen.

+Prayer of Dedication**SENDING FORTH**

+Hymn No. 372 | “O for a World” | AZMON**+Benediction****+Benediction Response** | “Amen” | DANISH**Postlude** | Fanfare | Jacques Lemmens**PRAYER
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IN LOVING MEMORY

We join our prayers with Jean and John Mooney and their family upon the death of Jean's mother, Sara Anne Mooney, on July 13, 2026.

ABOUT THIS SERVICE

Eleanor is the daughter of Meredith and Maddy Hunter Thompson.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of the baptism of Eleanor Anne Hunter Thompson by the Hunter family.

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. Lewis Galloway, *Transitional Pastor*

The Reverend Lucy Baum, *Associate Pastor for Formation and Fellowship*

The Reverend Dr. Robert Spach, *Parish Associate*

Kaitlyn Davros, *Associate Director of Music Ministries*

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