



First Presbyterian Church
Bucyrus, Ohio

September 6, 2026
Worship Service 10:30 AM

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Exalting Christ. Denying Ourselves.
Loving Our Neighbors.

Service of the Word and Sacrament

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Please use time before the service for prayer and reflection.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

Please turn off all cell phones.

Welcome

Announcements and Concerns

Prelude

***Call to Worship (Responsive)**

The fear of God is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of God are true, and righteous altogether.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, for you are my rock and redeemer.

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise**

“The Church’s One Foundation”

(vv. 1-5) **#251**

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Eternal God, we confess that it is much easier to say we follow Jesus than to do it. We accept more readily the ways of the world than the strange Way of the cross. We love the lovely and lovable. We promote our own interests more easily than deny them. We seek our own gain before that of others. We aim to save our lives, not lose them. Forgive us, O God, and teach us to be faithful regardless of the cost, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Gloria Patri**

#961

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

***Sharing of the Peace**

***Hymn of Reflection**

“Hours and Days and Years and Ages”

#401

Old Testament

Psalms 34:8-10

Pg. 547-548

Isaiah 40:1-11

Pg. 712

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (Debt/debtors)

Commitment through Giving

Offertory

***Doxology**

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

#965

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

New Testament

1 Peter 1:22-2:3

Pg. 1203-1204

Message

Permanent People in a Temporary World

Pastor Rob Harrison

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

(Please use this time to be quietly reflective.)

Invitation

Preparation

Consecration

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, true God of true God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made;
who for us human beings and for our salvation came down from heaven,
was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,
and was made human.
He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
and his kingdom shall have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church,
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins,
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Minister: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them up to the Lord!

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

All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Words of Institution and Blessing

Distribution of the Elements

Thanksgiving Prayer

***Closing Hymn**

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

(vv. 1-4) #405

***Benediction**

Postlude

Prayer Requests

Shut-Ins:

Donna Watts, at home, cards appreciated

Phyllis Reed, Commonwealth Senior Living at the Devonshire, 2220 Executive Drive, Apt 171, Hampton, Virginia 23666

Chet Johnston, cards can be sent to Altercare, Room 108. He would appreciate visitors.

Dan Price

Cancer

Sawyer Dennison, starting 33 radiation treatments for a tumor, Cindy Inscho's 15 year old nephew

Jim Scott, Colon Cancer, Kathy Bardon's nephew

Marcia Dishon, continued prayers

Eliza Cole, completed radiation this week, Phyllis Cole's granddaughter

Sophie Beck, relative of Courtney Posey

Annette Cheney, metastatic breast cancer, friend of Kathy Bardon

Amanda Compton, Lori Rager's step-daughter

Surgery

Deb Hablitzel, recuperating from back surgery

John Maddox, surgery for abdominal aneurysm

Bob Thompson – Shoulder surgery

Linda Ross, Lori Rager's Mother, knee replacement

Tom Ahlefeld, recovering from foot surgery

Kathy Bardon, recovering from shoulder surgery

Abigail Sutherland, recovering from heart surgery, Dishon's granddaughter

Members, Family and Friends of Members:

Judy Eichhorn, recuperating at home

Vickie Ahlefeld, possible leg fracture

Pastor Rob's mother, Shari

Patty Neff for caring for her sister who has had a sudden loss of memory

Gary Bishop, Lauren Bishop's father

Donna Parsons, friend of Kathy Bardon

Kaitlyn Bardon

Simon, Courtney Posey's friend

Kathy Hildebrand, Courtney's Mother

Whitney Hildebrand, Courtney Posey's sister

Jenny McKee, torn retina, friends of Kathy Bardon

Becky Bellamy, Parkinson's, sister of Kathy Bardon

Military:

Keagan Rios, Gennie Rios grandson

Levi Diebler, member and Carrie Diebler's son

Grayson Robinson, Tami Robinson's grandnephew

Announcements

Chancel Flowers are presented today by Marcia Stout to the glory of God and in honor of her son & daughter-in-law's (Ian & Kori) wedding on September 12th.

Worship folders for September are presented to the glory of God by Al and Michelle Bacon.

Attendance for last Sunday was 35.

Toddlers' Church –If you would like to donate an item for Toddlers' church there is a donation list above the basket by the Resource Center door. If you have any questions please contact Michelle Ritzhaupt or Rachel Shaum.

Adult Sunday School will resume on October 4 @ 9:00 AM. Jacob Ritzhaupt will be leading the class on a study of the book of Habakkuk.

Ladies Retreat - If you are interested in joining **Ladies Retreat the morning of October 17**, please register on-line with the directions in your invitation. If you need help with your registration or did not received your invitation please see Marcia Stout for more information.

Three, one-hour Membership classes will be offered this fall on Sunday, **September 20**, Sunday, **September 27**, and Sunday, **October 4** in Fellowship Hall right after worship. Pastor Rob will lead these classes and a light lunch will be provided. Call the church office, see Pastor Rob, or ask Marcia if you would like more information. Anyone who is interested in learning more about our denomination can attend. Please sign up on the clip-board sheets at the back of the church so we have an accurate lunch count.

This Week

Sunday, Sept. 6	10:30 AM Worship Service
Tuesday, Sept. 8	6:00 PM Ladies' Discipleship
Friday, September 11	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Sermon: Pastor Rob Harrison
Liturgist: Alan Basinger