

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY 8:30 A.M. AUGUST 10, 2025

Good morning, First Pres! It is so good to be together today.

Whether you've been here for years or you're joining us for the first time, this is a place where you are welcome—you've found a place where we see lives transformed in the power of Christ, shaping believers into Christian disciples who proclaim the light of the gospel and demonstrate the life of Jesus in our city and beyond.

NEW HERE? If today is your first time with us, we want to meet you! Please fill out a New Here card, which you can find in the seat pocket in front of you. Whether you're looking for community, a place to serve, or just have questions about what it means to follow Jesus, we're here to walk that journey with you. Stop by the Welcome Center in the Plaza to ask questions or take next steps to get connected.

LIGHT + LIFE for the CITY

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PRELUDE

Violin Sonata in E minor, K. 304: I. Allegro

Elisa Wicks, violin; Adam Haas, piano Composer: W.A. Mozart | Arranger: Tiny Béon

INTROIT

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Chris Owenby, director

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Matt Holtzman

HYMN OF PRAISE

Come, Christians, Join to Sing | No. 87

DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS & PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell

SONG OF ADORATION

Breathe on Me, Breath of God | No. 461 Rachel West, vocalist; Jason Crowe, bass; Scott Barbier, percussion; Wayne Wilkinson, guitar

COMMUNITY PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we come before You acknowledging how easily we give in to our desires and impulses. Too often, we speak before thinking. We act before praying. We respond before considering what You consider best. We confess that we have not shown the fruit of self-control in our daily lives. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us for our wandering hearts and undisciplined lives. Restore to us a deep dependence on Your Spirit and grow in us the self-control we cannot produce on our own. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

RESPONSE

Blessed Assurance | No. 426

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Rev. Dr. Pat Hartsock

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

He Leadeth Me

Arranger: Gilbert Martin

SERMON

There is Self-Control | Luke 22:39-51 Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Take My Life and Let It Be | No. 466

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Introduction

Foundation

Composer: John Ness Beck

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Vonda Barnhart, vocalist

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Festival Toccata

Composer: Percy E. Fletcher

"Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."

Luke 22:42

READ AHEAD!

Next week, Rev. Greg Hartnett launches our new series, *Belong*, with a message titled *Find Your Pattern*, from 1 Thessalonians 1:1–7.

NEED PRAYER?

- Find a pastor or Prayer Team member with a large red lanyard
- Fill out a Prayer Request card located in a pew pocket or in the Narthex.
- Email prayer@firstprescos.org

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MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:

Gary Stiehl

Friday, August 15 at 11 a.m.

To see upcoming memorials, go to

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IN MEMORIAM:

Bill Chin

July 19, 2025

Wayne Troyer August 2, 2025

Jill Hand

August 3, 2025

Chuck Adams, III August 4, 2025

Carol Comes

August 5, 2025

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL:

Susan Bussard - Penrose Main
Judi Lee - Memorial Central
Manda Smith - Memorial Central

Please contact the church if you or another member are hospitalized.

FLOWER FUND GIFTS IN MEMORY OF:

J. Rowland Reid & Rex Adams by the Gilbert family

Harold S. & Virginia J. Teats by Gary & Vickie Sherwood, Merah & Erin & families

Paul Nesselroad

by Edwin Nesselroad, Paula Butcher, & Nancy Burroughs



CHURCH WIDE PICNIC

Join us for an All-Church Picnic on Wednesday, August 27 from 5:30-8 p.m. in the Worship Center! Enjoy pulled pork, chicken, and all the fixings, plus bounce houses in the south lot and a chance to connect in the plaza. Fun for all ages don't miss it!



ELDER + DEACON NOMINATIONS

If you know someone who would be a great fit for the role of elder or deacon, nomination forms are available at the Welcome Desk or online. Be part of shaping our church leadership by filling one out today.

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GRIEF WORKSHOP

Grieving the loss of a loved one? Join us for a seven-week workshop, September 8 to October 20, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Learn tools to cope and find support—you don't have to grieve alone.

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GROWING TOGETHER WEDNESDAYS

GTW returns on September 3, and we're excited to kick off another season of learning, connection, and community for all ages. Visit our website to explore the schedule of classes and find a place to grow this fall!

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INVITE SOMEONE TO ALPHA

Alpha is a space to explore the basics of the Christian faith over food and honest conversation. Know someone curious? Invite them to come and see. Starts September 10. from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Cathedral Room. Childcare available.

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