



FIRST PRES
COLORADO SPRINGS

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY
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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 **Belong Hub** in the Plaza to ask questions or take next steps to get connected.

LIGHT + LIFE *for the* CITY

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Come Share the News

Composer: Lee Johnson

Lee Johnson, conductor

INTROIT

With a Voice of Singing

Composer: Martin Shaw

Chris Owenby, director

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Matt Holtzman (8:30)

Rev. Dr. Eunice McGarrahan (10:15)

HYMN OF PRAISE

O God Beyond All Praising | No. 64

DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS + PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Ellen Dawson (8:30)

SONG OF ADORATION

There Is a Higher Throne

Jason Crowe, bass; Scott Barbier, percussion;
Wayne Wilkinson, guitar; Rachel West, vocalist

CALL TO CONFESSION

Merciful God, You have made Yourself known to us through Your Word, and You have freely offered us salvation in Jesus Christ. Yet we confess that we have not always listened with obedient hearts. We have doubted Your promises. We have remained silent when we should have spoken. We have failed to share the hope You have given us. Forgive us, Lord—for our fear, for our complacency, and for our lack of faith. Thank You that Your hands are always stretched out in mercy, and that Your grace is greater than all our sin. Renew us by Your Spirit. Give us ears to hear, hearts to believe, and lips eager to proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord.

RESPONSE

His Robes for Mine

APOSTLES' CREED

Rev. Dr. Mateen Elass (8:30)

Suzanne Gradin (10:15)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

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Composer: Lee Johnson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD'S PRAYER

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Books

Composer: Lee Johnson

HYMN OF PREPARATION (10:15)

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

No. 136

SCRIPTURE READING

David Barnhart, Elder

SERMON

Who Shares the News?

Romans 10:14-21 (*pg. 1721*)

Rev. Ellen Dawson

CLOSING HYMN

I Love to Tell the Story | No. 560

CHARGE + BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Festival Toccata

Composer: Percy E. Fletcher

Dr. Adam Haas, organ

“Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.”

Romans 10:17

READ AHEAD!

Next week, Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell continues our series with a message titled *Happy the People*, from Romans 11:1-12

TEXT TO GIVE:

Giving is easy! Simply text “Give” to 719-297-2232 and you’ll receive a link with quick instructions to get started.

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

Sign up for weekly emails to stay in the loop with everything happening at First Pres.



FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/SUBSCRIBE

You can also connect with us on your favorite social media platform:



[@firstprescos](https://www.instagram.com/firstprescos)

IN MEMORIAM:

Donna Heiney

May 12, 2026

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:

Shirley Weeks

Thursday, July 2 at 10:30 a.m.

To view upcoming memorials, visit firstprescos.org/memorialservices

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL:

Nancy Anderson - St. Francis

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

FLOWER FUND IN MEMORY OF:

John Young

By Toni Miller, Stephen Young, Andy Soares & families

Ralph Johnson

By Jean & family

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT:

If you need medical equipment at home following your hospital stay, we have many items that you’re welcome to borrow. We ask that items be requested at least a day or two before pick-up or drop-off, Monday to Friday only. Call Caring Ministries at 719-884-6145.

The Happenings

Find all upcoming events online.
[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/CALENDAR](https://firstprescos.org/calendar)

OF THEE I SING

Join us **today** at 3 p.m. for Of Thee I Sing 2026, a patriotic concert celebrating the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence through hymns, patriotic favorites, jazz, and music that has shaped the American story! There is still time to secure your tickets! Visit our table in the Commons or our webpage for tickets and more info.

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/OFTHEEISING](https://firstprescos.org/oftheeing)



SIGN UP FOR VBS

Rainforest Falls VBS is coming July 13-16! Kids entering Pre-K through 6th grade are invited to a fun-filled week of worship, Bible stories, games, crafts, and more as they learn to trust God through every season of life. Register today and invite a friend!

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/VBS](https://firstprescos.org/vbs)



MEN'S ADVENTURE WEEKEND

Please join us July 10-12 for the Men's Adventure Weekend at Bear Basin Ranch near Westcliffe. Enjoy a weekend of fellowship, faith, camping, great food, and optional activities including hiking, mountain biking, and fly fishing. Cost is \$65 per person (\$25 additional for fly fishing).

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/MEN](https://firstprescos.org/men)



ELDER & DEACON NOMINATIONS

If you know someone who would be a great fit to serve as an elder or deacon, nomination forms are available at the Welcome Desk and online. Help shape the future leadership of our church by submitting a nomination today.

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/NOMINATION](https://firstprescos.org/nomination)



BELONG HUB

Visit our new Belong Hub in the Plaza! It's a great place to connect and discover your pattern, people, and place. Stop by to learn about groups, serving opportunities, classes, and ways to get involved at First Pres.

[FIRSTPRESCOS.ORG/BELONG](https://firstprescos.org/belong)

