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First Presbyterian Church, Staunton, VA

Mission & Vision Statement

Adopted on September 10, 2024

We open our hearts and our doors to worshipping Christ in downtown Staunton as a visible witness to the Gospel.

We are called to be a congregation that...

1. Invites all people to faith in Christ.
2. Worships God in a vibrant community through discipleship, music, and fellowship.
3. Uses our resources, time, and talents in the service of the least of these.
4. Nurtures and strengthens those within and outside of our community.
5. Makes the best use of our historic downtown property to benefit others.



August 9, 2026 @ 11:00am

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

"I Will"

Sam Clem, guitar

Lennon-McCartney, 1968

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder

INTROIT

"I Would Be True"

Dr. Renee Huff

by Howard A. Walter, 1906 and Joseph Yates Peek

WORDS OF PRAISE

Psalm 145:10-13

Sharon Wilson

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful shall bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,
and tell of your power,
to make known to all people your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

***OPENING HYMN #438** *"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"*

***OPENING PRAYER**

Unison

Gracious God, we can be selfish at times. We forget the blessings we have received at others' hands, and resist the common life to which you call us. Forgive us for hearing only what we want to hear, for underestimating your claim upon us and your power to change us, and for pursuing only self-interested goals.

Teach us to follow and obey you, that we may receive your gifts and share them gladly, and to be satisfied with the life you intend for us.

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE**

Friends, the good news is that each time we stray from God's path, each time we lose perspective of our calling to care for God's people and creation, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and loved eternally.

Thanks be to God!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE #593** “Holy, Holy”

SCRIPTURE READINGS Job 1-2 selected verses
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM “You’ll Never Walk Alone”
by Oscar Hammerstein II and Richard Rodgers © 1945 William Music

SERMON “Meet Job” *Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder*

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #43** “You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord”

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY “From the Beginning” *Sam Clem, guitar*
Greg Lake, 1972

***DOXOLOGY #606** “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

***PRAYER OF GRATITUDE**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER
Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus “Holy, Holy, Holy” **Hymnal #559**
Lord’s Prayer *Hymnal pg. 35*

Words of Institution

Sharing in the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Communion

***CLOSING HYMN #460** “Break Thou the Bread of Life”

***BLESSING & SENDING** Ephesians 3

May you be strengthened in your inner being with power through Christ’s Spirit.

May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith, as we are being rooted and grounded in love.

May you have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth.

May we know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine.

To God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

POSTLUDE “Wild Horses” *Sam Clem, guitar*
Mick Jagger and Keith Richards, 1971

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

STUFF THE BUS: DONATE SCHOOL SUPPLIES **When:** Through today, August 9/10:00am-6:00pm **Where:** Walmart in Staunton & Waynesboro. Most needed supplies include:

Backpacks, #2 pencils, colored pencils, crayons, loose-leaf paper, ballpoint pens, erasers, pencil cases, highlighters, pocket folders, pencil sharpeners, safety scissors, three-ring binders, tissues, spiral notebooks, ziplock bags, cleaning wipes, washable markers, composition books, dry-erase markers, glue sticks, hand sanitizer, white glue, and earbuds/headphones.

POWER UP OUR COMMUNITY: JOIN THE AUGUST FOOD PROTEIN DRIVE You can help! A Food Protein Drive in support of the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank is taking place all of this month. Protein is an essential, but often expensive, part of a healthy diet. Collection bins for shelf-stable items (peanut butter, canned meats/fish, beans, stews) are in the sanctuary narthex and in the lobby of the Fraser building. Thank you for your support and generosity! (NO GLASS CONTAINERS, PLEASE)
- The Mission & Outreach Committee

THE STAUNTON MUSIC FESTIVAL WILL PERFORM FREE CONCERTS IN OUR SANCTUARY at noon on Saturday, August 15, and August 18-22. All are welcome! We hope you can join us.

Prayer List

Please send out prayers for: Fay Knicley; Molly Cox; Mona Tate; Kim Young; Timmy Plummer; Mary-Faye Sproul Browning; Ben Rice; Frank Villafana; Betty Patton
Please contact Heidi in the church office or Pastor Jeff to have names added or removed from the prayer list.

Names will be removed after 6 weeks unless otherwise requested.