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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.



**September 20, 2026 @ 11:00am/Blessing of the Animals
A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

PRELUDE #661

"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

Dr. Renee Huff

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder

INTROIT #19

"God of Great & God of Small"

WORDS OF PRAISE

Psalm 148

Joe Surratt

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps;
fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing God's will;
mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;
wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds;
sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;
young men and maidens, old and young together.
Let them praise the name of the Lord, whose name only is exalted,
whose splendor is over earth and heaven.
Let us worship the God of Creation!

***OPENING HYMN #664**

"Morning Has Broken"

***OPENING PRAYER**

Unison

Source and sustainer of life, we cherish the works of your hands.
Water, earth, and sky are yours, as are all their inhabitants, wild and tame.
We thank you for creatures that nourish and serve us, befriend, enrich, entertain,
and protect us. May we, who are made in your image, care for them well,
despite our imperfections and brokenness as humans.
And may your wondrous creation thrive, revealing to all who come after us
your wise, redemptive, transforming love.

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE**

God's love and forgiveness knows no end.
Friends, in Jesus Christ we are given new life, time and time again!
Thanks be to God!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

