



# First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

November 19, 2023

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# Worship

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

**Prelude**

Mrs. Carol Hinson

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Choral Introit**

## ENTERING WORSHIP

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 89:1

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

**\*Song of Praise**

Red Trinity Hymnal #606

*“Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord”*

*1 Teach me thy way, O Lord;  
teach me thy way!  
thy guiding grace afford--  
teach me thy way!  
Help me to walk aright,  
more by faith, less by sight;  
lead me with heav'nly light,  
teach me thy way!*

*2 When I am sad at heart,  
teach me thy way!  
When earthly joys depart,  
teach me thy way!  
In hours of loneliness,  
in times of dire distress,  
in failure or success,  
teach me thy way!*

*3 When doubts and fears arise,  
teach me thy way!  
When storms o'erspread the skies,  
teach me thy way!  
Shine through the cloud and rain,  
thro' sorrow, toil, and pain;  
make thou my pathway plain,  
teach me thy way!*

*4 Long as my life shall last,  
teach me thy way!  
Where'er my lot be cast,  
teach me thy way!  
Until the race is run,  
until the journey's done,  
until the crown is won,  
teach me thy way!*

## **APPROACHING GOD**

### **\*Prayer of Adoration and Confession with The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. *Amen.*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Titus 3:4-6

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.

### **Confession of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, dead, and buried;  
He descended into hell;  
The third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into Heaven,  
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic\*\* church;  
The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

(tithes and offerings may be placed in the plate as you exit Worship)

### **\*Doxology**

Red Trinity Hymnal #731

*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.*

## **MEANS OF GRACE**

### **\*Psalm 119**

Red Trinity Hymnal #59

#### *“Forever Settled In the Heavens”*

*1 Forever settled in the heav'ns,  
thy word, O Lord, shall firmly stand;  
thy faithfulness shall never fail;  
the earth abides at thy command.*

*3 I should have perished in my woe  
had not I loved thy law divine;  
that law I never can forget;  
O save me, Lord, for I am thine.*

*2 Thy word and works unmoved remain,  
thine ev'ry purpose to fulfil;  
all things are thine and thee obey,  
and all as servants wait thy will.*

*4 The wicked would destroy my soul,  
but in thy truth is refuge sure;  
exceeding broad is thy command,  
and in perfection shall endure.*

### **Prayer for Needs**

### **Opening the Scripture and Prayer for Illumination**

### **Scripture Reading**

Pew Bible page 516

Psalm 121

### **Sermon**

Mr. Scottie Crawford

*“The Pilgrim’s Hope”*

### **Prayer of Application**

## **RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL**

### **\*Hymn of Response**

Red Trinity Hymnal #501

#### *“Just As I Am, without One Plea”*

*1 Just as I am, without one plea  
but that thy blood was shed for me,  
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*3 Just as I am, though tossed about  
with many a conflict, many a doubt,  
fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*2 Just as I am, and waiting not  
to rid my soul of one dark blot,  
to thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
yea, all I need, in thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

**\*Free Offer of the Gospel**

**\*Closing Prayer**

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**LEAVING WORSHIP**

**Congregational Response**

*May the peace of God our heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ the risen Son,  
And the fellowship of God the Spirit keep our hearts and minds within His love,  
And to Him be praise for His glorious reign. From the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n  
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain, Christ Eternal, the King of Kings.*

*"Benediction" / Stuart Townend and Keith Getty / © 2005 Thank You Music*

# November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b>29 CARE</b> 2:00 Avant Baby Shower 6:00 Munchies and a Movie	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b> 6:00 Wednesday Family Night 7:30 Choir rehearsal	<b>2</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 10:00 Session 6:00 Wednesday Family Night	<b>9</b>
<b>12</b> 5:00 Diaconate	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 6:00 Wednesday Family Night 7:30 Choir rehearsal	<b>16</b>
<b>19</b> 12:30 AE Circle	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 	<b>23</b>
<b>26 MISSIONS</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 6:00 Choir rehearsal	<b>30</b>

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	3	4
	10	11
6 :00 JL Circle	17	18 8:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast
23 	24 	25
30	1	2



## ANNIVERSARIES

- 2- Walt & Joan Watford
- 5- Mark & Lynda Caskey
- 6- Sam & Sheryl Huey

## BIRTHDAYS

- 5- Pi Eddins
- 5- Joan Watford
- 12- Grace Kelso
- 13- Clara Nell Robinson
- 19- Leoben Srepetis
- 24- Lauren Tindal
- 27- Lynda Caskey

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:15 Officer meeting
- 10:00 Worship
- 11:15 Sunday School
- 6:00 Worship
- 7:00 Fellowship/ Youth/ Children



# Announcements

**WELCOME VISITORS** Welcome to First ARP Church. If you are a first time visitor, we would like to have a record of your visit with us. Please fill out an attendance card located in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate as you exit the Sanctuary.

The reverse side of these cards are for prayer requests. Anyone attending today is invited to fill out the prayer card and place it in the offering plate as you leave today's service.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** Volunteers are needed to prepare refreshments for the Christmas gathering on Dec 10. A signup sheet is on the Church Events bulletin board. The Fellowship Committee appreciates your help.

We also need assistance with 11:00AM childcare through the month of December. Signup on the Church Events bulletin board if you can help.

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE** This year we will have one evening candlelight service at 6PM. Rev. Bob Elliott from Edgemoor ARP will officiate.

**SHOEBOX PACKING PARTY** On Sunday, December 3, Alison Erskine Circle will host an Operation Christmas Child shoebox packing party at 12:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. **All members of the church** are invited to attend. Bring multiples of an item for the boxes and join us as we pack them for children around the world. If you can't join us, feel free to donate items or money for shipping by Friday, December 1.

All items are appreciated, but Samaritan's Purse notes that they have fewer boxes for boys age 2-4 and 10-14, so we encourage you to bring supplies to fit those categories. Suggestions for shoebox items can be found at: <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/> or on the Women's Ministries bulletin board.

**HOPE DONATIONS** HOPE requests the following items for its food pantry: hamburger helper, canned beef stew, canned tuna, canned corn, 1 lb. bag of dry beans, canned fruit, syrup, stuffing mix, and 24 oz. cooking oil. Please do not give family size containers or glass jars.

They have also requested hygiene products (toothpaste, deodorant, mouthwash, toothbrushes, etc.) for November and December.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 19– Alison Erskine Circle

November 22-24– OFFICE CLOSED

November 29– Choir rehearsal

December 3– COMMUNION

December 3– Shoebox packing party

December 10– Christmas music/ Christmas party

## **COMMITTEES and CHAIRMEN**

Administration-

Discipleship- Mike Cauthen

Outreach- Butch Ghent

Internal Needs- Suzanne Lever

Fellowship- Ed Ogburn

Missions- Sam Huey

Worship- Frank Brackett

Safety- Walt Watford

Building- Sam Prete

Grounds- Keith Jaillette

# Prayer Guide

## **November 19**

Keith Jaillette– Liver biopsy, James Deese– Praise for no blood clots, Bill Walker (Stacy Pokopac’s brother)- Bladder biopsy

## **November 12**

Katie Avant– Pregnancy, Mike Scruggs– Recovery from surgery

## **November 5**

Family of Louise Whelan

## **October 29**

Sheryl Huey– Leg stent

## **October 22**

Gene Hunter– Recovery from heart attack, Miranda Bohler– Recovery from surgery, Benny Brazzell– Angioplasty, Mike Scruggs– Health

## **Chronic Illnesses**

James Deese, Tanya McCree

## **Nursing Home/ Shut Ins**

Virginia Fleming, Sally Lloyd, Pat McEachern, Charles Montgomery, Clara Nell Robinson, Richard Robinson

## **Missionaries**

Phil Baer, Rebekah Carson, Mark & Natalie Witte

## **Church Planters**

King’s Church (Columbia), Arsenal Hill (Columbia)

## **Military**

Spencer Estrada (USN), Alex Coale (USMC), Dillon Coale (USN), Remington Totten (USN), Nick Lee (USA)

# Financials

<b>November 12, 2023</b>	
Morning attendance	54/7
Evening attendance	22/1
General Fund	\$3,879
Total GF contributions this month	\$6,385
Memorial Fund	\$25

**AUTOMATIC CONTRIBUTION** It is a serious commitment to set up your tithe to be given every month, but we are called to give from our first fruits. Are you ready to take a step of faith? Would you like to make sure you support the financial needs of the church even when you can't be here in person? Visit our website at **[FirstARPLancaster.org/Giving](https://FirstARPLancaster.org/Giving)** to make a one time or repeating contribution. Contact the church office with any questions.

If you prefer to download the VancoMobile app, search for "First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church" and use the invite code TPVK5P.

# Volunteers

## CHILDCARE

WORSHIP

### November 19

Susan Prete  
Eliana Pokopac

### November 26

Miranda Bohler  
Taylor Prete  
Katey Powell  
Lynn Moore

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Corinne Brackett  
Stacy Pokopac

## OFFICERS

Elders

### November

Mike Cauthen  
Ed Ogburn

### December

Butch Ghent  
Sam Huey  
Daniel Bohler  
Suzanne Lever

Captain

Susan Cauthen

Co-Captain

Keith Jaillette

## Staff

Secretary-Mrs. Stacy Pokopac

Pianist- Mrs. Carol Hinson

Evening Music- Rev. David Huffman

## Elders

2023 Frank Brackett

2024 Mike Cauthen  
Ed Ogburn

2025 Butch Ghent-VM  
Sam Huey-C

## Deacons

Debby Hegler- S  
Suzanne Lever  
Sam Prete- C

Daniel Bohler  
Keith Jaillette- VC  
Susan Cauthen  
Richard Shields

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