

First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

March 1, 2026

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Worship

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Mrs. Kathy Weiss

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jonathan Williams

ENTERING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 150:1-2

¹Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! ²Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

***Song of Praise**

Blue ARP Psalter #28B

“The LORD Be Blessed”

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**

Hebrews 8:12

For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.

***Confession of Faith**

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

***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.*

Children's Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

MEANS OF GRACE

***Psalm**

Blue ARP Psalter #45B

“Daughter, Incline Your Ear”

***Prayer for Illumination**

***Scripture Reading**

Pew Bible page 979

Ephesians 5:28-33

Sermon

“Living Spirit Filled Lives– Part 3: A Model For Marriage”

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

***Hymn of Response**

Red Trinity Hymnal #516

“Jesus, I Live To Thee”

***Free Offer of the Gospel**

***Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13:14

¹⁴The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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

Sermon Notes

Living Spirit Filled Lives– Part 3: A Model For Marriage- Ephesians 5:28-33

1. A Nourishing Union

2. A Spiritual Union

3. A Loving and Respectful Union

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
1	2	3	4 6:00 WFN
8 Sr. Hi Retreat 12:15 Diaconate	9	10 10:00 Presbytery- Columbia 6:30 GIG Disci- pleship	11 6:00 WFN
15	16 8:30 Life Line Screening	17 7:00 Session	18 6:00 WFN
22 MISSIONS M.S. Retreat	23	24	25
29 CARE	30	31	1

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 8:30 LCHC 3:00 JL Circle	6 Sr. Hi Retreat	7 Sr. Hi Retreat 9:00 WM Retreat
12 8:30 LCHC	13	14
19 8:30 LCHC	20 M.S. Retreat	21 M.S. Retreat 8:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast 10:00 LCHC Mom's brunch
26 8:30 LCHC	27	28 9:00 AE Circle 10:00 Sheltered
2 8:30 LCHC 3:00 JL Circle	3	4

ANNIVERSARIES

6- Don & Betsy Rushing

BIRTHDAYS

1- Sam Huey

4- Scott Brazell

6- Phil Baer

7- Caroline Williams

8- Frank Brackett

19- Lorri Crawford

21- Dell Ghent

26- Johnny Jones

27- Amanda Banholzer

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 Officer meeting

10:00 Morning Worship

11:15 Sunday School

5:00 Evening Worship

6:00 Fellowship

7:00 Youth



Announcements

PRAYER REQUESTS The reverse side of our attendance card is for all prayer requests. You are encouraged to fill out the card and place it in the offering plate as you exit Worship.

LIFE LINE SCREENING EVENT First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church will host a Life Line Screening event on Monday, March 16, 2026. See the flyer on the “What’s Happening” bulletin board for more information and instructions on how to register.

YOUTH NEWS High School youth and chaperones will meet at the church this coming Friday at 5PM for the Sr. High Retreat. Please remember to bring your medical forms and money (\$49/\$99.25) to the church office before you leave town. Packing lists for the weekend are available on the bulletin board in the Youth room.

The spring retreat for 6th –8th graders is now open. The retreat will be March 20-22. If any youth are interested in attending, contact the church office ASAP. Chaperones will also be needed if we have you who wish to attend.

DIACONATE a called meeting for deacons will be held March 8 at 12:15.

SUNDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES The Lord’s Day does not end after the morning service. Evening activities at the church include a 5:00PM Worship service, 6:00PM Fellowship, and 7:00PM Youth. We encourage you to take time for these opportunities to worship the Lord on His day.

CHOIR It was wonderful to return to the choir loft for our Christmas music program, and having singers in the choir loft to lead music since then has been a great benefit to the Worship of our Lord on Sunday mornings. I encourage all current, past, and potential choir members to meet in the choir room on Sundays at 9:40 as your Sunday morning duties allow. While we continue to seek a permanent Choir Director, it is good to be in the habit of leading in the singing of praise to God, especially if we often have Sundays when no pianist available. If you have any questions, please contact me during office hours.

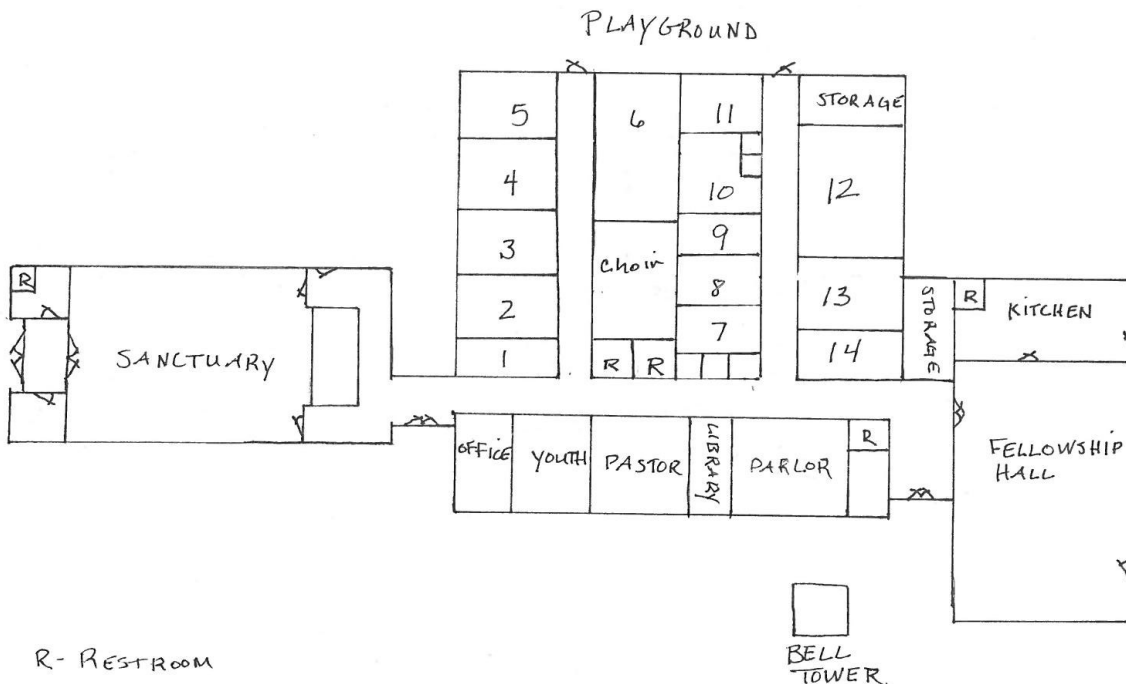
-Stacy Pokopac

Visitor Information

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 it is passed.

Childcare is available in room #1 for children age 2 and under at the start of morning Worship. Children ages 3-4 are dismissed to Sunday School following the Children's Sermon. Busy Bags are available at the side entrance of the church during morning Worship. We enjoy the sound of children in Worship, but if you have need of it, a quiet room is available at the rear of the sanctuary. Sunday School for all ages begins at 11:15.

CHURCH MAP



Prayer Guide

March 1

Taylor Prete– Root canal/ pain, Sheryl Huey– Heart rhythm, Esther Shields– Upcoming scan, Dillard family– Adapting to parenthood, JB Powell– daily improvement, Jean Hollis– Health, Debby Hegler– Continued Radiation treatment, Dell Ghent– MRI review, Doug Patterson– Re-gaining more movement, Clovis Steele– Hospice, Kennedy (Brackett’s granddaughter)- Gymnas-tics injury

February 22

Baptism of Callum Dean Campbell, Crystal Ogburn– Health, Lancaster High School– Violence and disruptions

Chronic Illnesses

Tanya McCree

Nursing Home/ Shut Ins

Betty Arant, Pat McEachern, Charles Montgomery, Richard Robinson, Clovis Steele

Missionaries

Phil Baer, Rebekah Carson, Justin & Gillian Brickey

Church Planters

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

COMMITTEES and CHAIRMEN

Fellowship– Sam Prete	Outreach– Richard Crawford	Discipleship– Stewart Srepetis
Missions- TBD	Worship– David Pokopac	Building– Mark Caskey
Grounds– Doug Patterson	Safety– Walt Watford	Internal Needs– Debbie Dickson

Financials

February 22, 2026	
Attendance AM	80/7
Attendance PM	23/2
General Fund	\$4,668
Total GF contributions this month	\$14,403
Missions Fund	\$345
Care Fund	\$25

ONLINE GIVING If you would like to make contributions online, visit our website at **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.



HOPE FOOD PANTRY Current food needs: grits, beef stew, Jiffy mix, spaghetti pasta, jelly, & spaghetti sauce. Please bring pantry items and place them on the shelves near the Fellowship Hall. Remember to avoid glass containers and oversized family portions.

Volunteers

Childcare **March 1**

10:00

Nursery

Stacy Pokopac

Toddlers

Lorri Crawford/ Taylor Prete

11:00

Nursery

Corinne Brackett

Toddlers

Susan Cauthen

Elementary

Lynn Moore/ Miranda Bohler

March 8

Nursery

Miranda Bohler

Toddlers

Suzanne Lever/ Grace Kelso

Nursery

Debby Hegler

Toddlers

Susan Cauthen

Elementary

Susan Prete/ Gene Hunter

Officers **March**

Elder

Mike Cauthen

Elder

Ed Ogburn

Captain

Mark Caskey

Co- Captain

Walt Watford

Usher

John Mark Caskey

Usher

Mike Cauthen

Usher

April

Sam Prete

Richard Crawford

Glenn Rhyne

Jim Davis

Sam Prete

Richard Crawford

Staff

Pastor- Rev. Jonathan Williams

2026

Secretary-Mrs. Stacy Pokopac

2027

2028

Elders

Richard Crawford

Sam Prete

David Pokopac

Stewart Screpetis- VM

Mike Cauthen- C

Ed Ogburn

Deacons

Debbie Dickson

Doug Patterson

Jim Davis-VC

Glenn Rhyne

Mark Caskey-C

Walt Watford

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