

First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

August 11, 2024

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Worship

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Mrs. Carol Hinson

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jonathan Williams

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

ENTERING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1-3

¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! ²Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! ³Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

***Song of Praise**

Red Trinity Hymnal #2

“O Worship the King”

<i>1 O worship the King all-glorious above, O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.</i>	<i>3 The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old; has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.</i>
<i>2 O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.</i>	<i>4 Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain; and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.</i>

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**

Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

***Confession of Faith**

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic** and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

***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

(Children dismissed to Sunday School)

Pastoral Prayer

MEANS OF GRACE

***Psalm**

Blue ARP Psalter #78F

“They’d Turn and Seek God Eagerly”

1 They’d turn and seek God eagerly

When He had made some die;

Then they remembered God, their Rock,

Their Savior, God Most High.

3 Yet He, instead of killing them,

Forgave iniquity,

And in compassion He restrained

His wrath repeatedly.

2 But Him they served with empty words,

And with their tongue they lied;

Their heart was not sincere toward Him,

His cov’nant they denied.

4 His anger He does not stir up.

That they are flesh He knows-

A wind that never does return

When once it comes and goes.

***Prayer for Illumination**

***Scripture Reading**

Pew Bible page 892

John 6:35-51

Sermon

“Hard Headed Hearers”

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

***Hymn of Response**

Red Trinity Hymnal #295

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

*1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns
all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.*

*2 Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.*

*3 Crown him the Lord of peace;
whose pow'r a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end;
and round his pierced feet
fair flow'rs of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.*

*4 Crown him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me:
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.*

***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.*

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August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
28 MISSIONS 11:00 VBS closing program (no Sunday School)	29	30	31
4 COMMUNION	5	6	7 6:00 Joint officer meeting 7:30 Diaconate
11	12	13	14 6:30 Craft night
18 12:30 AE Circle	19	20 7:00 Session	21 6:00 Wednesday Family Night Kick-off
25 MISSIONS 6:00 Evening Worship begins	26	27	28 7:30 Choir rehearsal

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 	3 9:00 WM Fitness Event
8 3:00 JL Circle	9	10
15	16	17 8:00 Men's Breakfast
22	23	24
29	30	31

ANNIVERSARIES

- 9– Mike & Pat Scruggs
- 12– Glenn & Anna Rhyne
- 25– Brant & Katie Avant
- 29– Barton & Andrea Henley
- 29– Stewart & Mallory Screpetis

BIRTHDAYS

- 2– Sam Ogburn
- 3– Anna Rhyne
- 7– Madelyn Rhyne
- 11– Alaina Patterson
- 13– Becky Andersen
- 16– Benny Brazell
- 17– Susan Prete
- 17– Richard Robinson
- 21– Myra Sims
- 26– Sean Adams
- 28– Pat Scruggs
- 29– Andrea Henley

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:15** Officer meeting
- 10:00** Morning Worship
- 11:15** Sunday School
- 6:00** Evening Worship
(begins August 25)

Announcements

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 you exit the Sanctuary.

IT'S A BOY! Congratulations to Mallory and Stewart Screpetis on the birth of Walter Collins Wednesday, August 7. Walter weighed 5 pounds 15 ounces and is 19.75” long.

PRAYER REQUESTS The reverse side of the visitor cards are for prayer requests. This will be especially helpful as we are on our summer break from regular prayer meeting. Please fill out a card with your prayer request and place it in the offering plate as you leave .

CHURCH CALENDAR It's time to add our regular activities to your schedule. Wednesday Family Night begins **August 21 at 6PM**. Sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to join us for dinner. The costs remains \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Classes for all ages begin at 6:30.

Sunday Evening worship begins **August 25 at 6PM**, followed by prayer time and Youth group.

Choir will rehearse on select Wednesday evenings following Wednesday Family Night. If you are interested in participating, join us in the choir room **August 28 at 7:30PM**. A schedule of rehearsals and singing dates will be provided.

CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT This year's retreat will be held September 27-29. Registration forms are available at the side entrance of the church. Forms and money are due by **Wednesday, September 4**.

This year, we are offering a service at the church on Sunday, September 29 for members not attending the retreat. Please let Pastor Williams know if you are interested in this option.

SHOEBOX ITEM OF THE MONTH Our August focus is school supplies such as pencils and sharpeners, colored pencils, small notebooks, preschool crayons, and calculators. We collected a nice assortment at our Christmas in July event, but we are also low on toys and tools for boys.

OFFERING ENVELOPES It is time to order offering envelopes for 2025. In order to purchase envelopes ONLY for those who want them, please fill out a survey slip found next to the bulletins at the side entrance. Return them to the church office TODAY.

HOPE FOOD PANTRY HOPE food needs for August: Grits, Instant Potatoes, Beef Stew, Jelly, Mixed Vegetables, Sweet peas, Juice (64 oz.), Oatmeal, Rice, Tuna, & Pasta

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 14– Craft Club

August 17– Men’s Prayer Breakfast

August 18– Alison Erskine Circle

August 20– Session

August 21– Wednesday Family Night begins

August 25– Sunday Evening Worship begins

COMMITTEES and CHAIRMEN

Administration- Butch Ghent Fellowship– Sam Prete

Discipleship- Mike Cauthen Missions- Sam Huey

Building– Doug Patterson Grounds– Daniel Bohler

Internal Needs– Debbie Dickson

Outreach– Richard Crawford

Worship– Ed Ogburn

Safety– Walt Watford

Prayer Guide

August 11

Family and friends of Pi Eddins, Mallory Screpetis– Birth of Walter Collins, Sally Lloyd– Kidney failure

July 28

Family and friends of Keith Jaillette, Esther Shields– Cancer in remission, Gene Hunter– Improved health

July 21

Annie Montgomery– Cancer, Mallory Screpetis– Pregnancy, Jean Hollis– Healing from fall, Benny Brazell– MRI results, Sam Huey– Recovery from knee surgery, Pat Scruggs– Ankle injury, Katey Powell– Beginning immunotherapy, Lorri Crawford– Continued improvement from thyroid surgery

July 7

Sheryl Huey– Recovery from heart catheterization, Those suffering with mobility issues, Anna Rhyne and family– Passing of Aunt Molly

June 30

Praise for the upcoming Ryan Gladden and Kristen Grumbach wedding

Chronic Illnesses

Tanya McCree

Nursing Home/ Shut Ins

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

Missionaries

Phil Baer, Rebekah Carson, Justin & Gillian Brickey

Church Planters

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

Financials

August 4, 2024	
Attendance	67/3
General Fund	\$4,062
Total GF contributions this month	\$4,062
Memorial Fund	\$331

General Fund	July	YTD
Contributions	\$21,178	\$147,729
Expenditures	\$17,586	\$111,921
Difference	\$3,592	\$35,808
Congregational Care Fund		
Contributions	\$127	\$388
Expenditures	\$0	\$1,946
Missions Support		
Contributions	\$520	\$3,211
Expenditures	\$1000	\$9,111
Memorial Fund		
Contributions	\$806	\$856
Expenditures	\$2	\$2

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** 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 August 11

10:00

Nursery

Joan Watford

Toddlers

Stacy Pokopac/ Caroline Williams

11:00

Nursery

Anna Rhyne

Toddlers

Susan Cauthen/ Grace Kelso

Elementary

Katey Powell/ Lynn Moore

August 18

Nursery

Nancy Ogburn

Toddlers

Holly Rivers/ Sarah Claire Rhyne

Nursery

Stacy Pokopac

Toddlers

Susan Cauthen/ Michele Baer

Elementary

Suzanne Lever/ Lorri Crawford

Officers

August

Butch Ghent

Sam Huey

Daniel Bohler

September

Richard Crawford

Sam Prete

Debbie Dickson

Doug Patterson

Staff

Pastor- Rev. Jonathan Williams

Secretary-Mrs. Stacy Pokopac

Pianist- Mrs. Carol Hinson

2024

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Elders

Mike Cauthen

Ed Ogburn

Butch Ghent-VM

Sam Huey- C

Richard Crawford

Sam Prete

Deacons

Daniel Bohler- VC

Susan Cauthen- S

Richard Shields- C

Debbie Dickson

Doug Patterson

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