

First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

January 11, 2026

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Worship

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jonathan Williams

ENTERING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 146:1-2

¹Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! ²I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

***Song of Praise**

Red trinity Hymnal #1

“All People That On Earth Do Dwell”

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**

2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

***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.*

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**

Red Trinity Hymnal #2

“O Worship the King”

***Prayer for Illumination**

***Scripture Reading**

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Ephesians 5:1-2

Sermon

“Keep Copying Me”

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

***Hymn of Response**

Red Trinity Hymnal #688

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord!”

***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

Keep Copying Me– Ephesians 5:1-2



1. Imitate as children

2. Love as Christ loved

3. Smell sweet

January 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
28 MISSIONS No PM Worship	29	30	31 
4 12:15 AE Circle	5	6	7 6:00 WFN begins
11 12:15 Diaconate 5:00 Evening Worship begins	12	13 6:30 GIG Disci- pleship	14 6:00 WFN
18 2:00 Liz Dillard Baby Shower	19 	20 7:00 Session	21 6:00 WFN
25 MISSIONS	26	27	28 6:00 WFN

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2 	3
8	9	10 9:00 CPR class 11:00 Joint WM Lunch
15 3:00 JL Circle	16	17 8:30 Officer Training
22	23	24 9:00 AE Circle
29 8:30 LCHC	30	31



BIRTHDAYS

7– Elise Tindal
 8– Glenn Rhyne
 13– Elle Campbell
 15– Nancy Ogburn
 17– Alex Bohler
 18– Judi Holland
 24– Debby Hegler
 27– Gene Hunter
 30– Carol Hinson
 31– Sam Prete

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:15 Officer meeting
10:00 Morning Worship
11:15 Sunday School
5:00 Evening Worship (Jan. 11)
6:00 Fellowship (Jan. 11)
7:00 Youth (Jan. 11)

Announcements

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

WELCOME BABY! The Women's Sunday School class will host a baby shower for Liz & Caleb Dillard. Join us in the Fellowship Hall January 18 from 2-4 pm to welcome baby Deborah Joy. The family is registered at:

https://www.amazon.com/baby-reg/elizabeth-dillard-february-2026-lancaster/OQ69WNJIYMBV?ref_=cm_sw_r_mwn_dp_3AJPAZ76RCHDY7SWYSAT&language=en-US

MAILBOXES 2026 Offering envelopes are available beside the mailboxes behind the choir loft. Contribution statements for 2025 will be delivered in the mailboxes by the end of January.

2026 CALENDAR Diaconate meets today at 12:15pm.

Sunday evening Worship resumes tonight at 5PM, discussion and snacks at 6PM, and Youth at 7PM.

Men's Prayer Breakfast in January will be replaced with officer training on January 17 and will begin the regular schedule on February 21. Please sign up for Officer Training by January 7 so we can have an accurate count for breakfast.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES Women's Ministries will have a joint luncheon meeting on January 10 at 11AM. This event is open to all ladies of the church. We will discuss the 2026 Bible study focus as well as upcoming events for 2026.

Growing In God (GIG) will meet at 6:30PM on Tuesday, January 13 at the home of Caroline Williams. See the "What's Happening" bulletin board for more details.

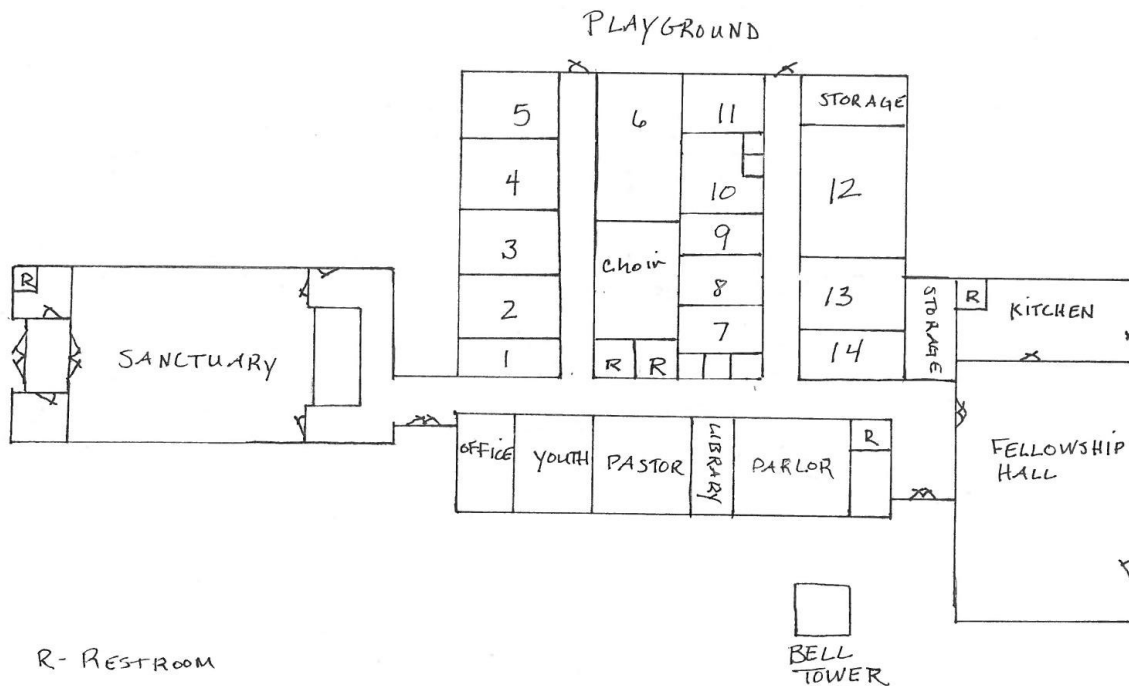
YOUTH NEWS The Sr. High retreat will be March 6-8 and the Middle School retreat will be March 20-22. If you are interested in chaperoning either of these events, please contact Jonathan. Registration packets will be given to youth as they are available.

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

January 11

David Pokopac- Cleared of surgery restrictions, Rev. Jordan Bernard and family– Passing of mother/ recovery of grandmother from heart surgery, Betsy Rushing– Recovery from surgery, Steve and Beverly Culp– Safe return home, Tim Williams– Surgery to reattach bicep, Those suffering from seasonal illness

January 4

Clovis Steele– Recovery in hospital

December 28

Sheryl Huey– A-Fib, Esther Shields– Chemotherapy

December 21

Doug Patterson– Continued Recovery, JB Powell– Radiation treatments, Will Jones– No biopsy/ antibiotics working

Chronic Illnesses

Tanya McCree

Nursing Home/ Shut Ins

Betty Arant, Pat McEachern, Charles Montgomery, Richard Robinson, Pat Scruggs, 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 Screpetis
Missions- Sam Huey	Worship– David Pokopac	Building– Doug Patterson
Grounds– TBD	Safety– Walt Watford	Internal Needs– Debbie Dickson

Financials

January 4, 2026	
Attendance AM	60/7
General Fund	\$4,580
Total GF contributions this month	\$4,580
Missions Fund	\$184

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 January 11

10:00

Nursery

Susan Prete

Toddlers

Suzanne Lever/ Grace Kelso

11:00

Nursery

Miranda Bohler

Toddlers

Susan Cauthen

Elementary

Katey's Mission Lesson

January 18

Nursery

Caroline Williams

Toddlers

Debbie Hardin/ Debbie Dickson

Nursery

Corinne Brackett

Toddlers

Susan Cauthen

Elementary

Debby Hegler/ Nancy Ogburn

Officers January

Elder

Richard Crawford

Elder

Sam Prete

Captain

Jim Davis

Co-Captain

Glenn Rhyne

Usher

Sam Prete

Usher

Frank Brackett

February

David Pokopac

Stewart Screpetis

Debbie Dickson

David Pokopac

Stewart Screpetis

Frank Brackett

Staff

Pastor- Rev. Jonathan Williams

Secretary-Mrs. Stacy Pokopac

2026

2027

2028

Elders

Richard Crawford

Sam Prete

David Pokopac

Stewart Screpetis

Mike Cauthen

Ed Ogburn

Deacons

Debbie Dickson

Doug Patterson

Jim Davis-VC

Glenn Rhyne

Mark Caskey

Walt Watford

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