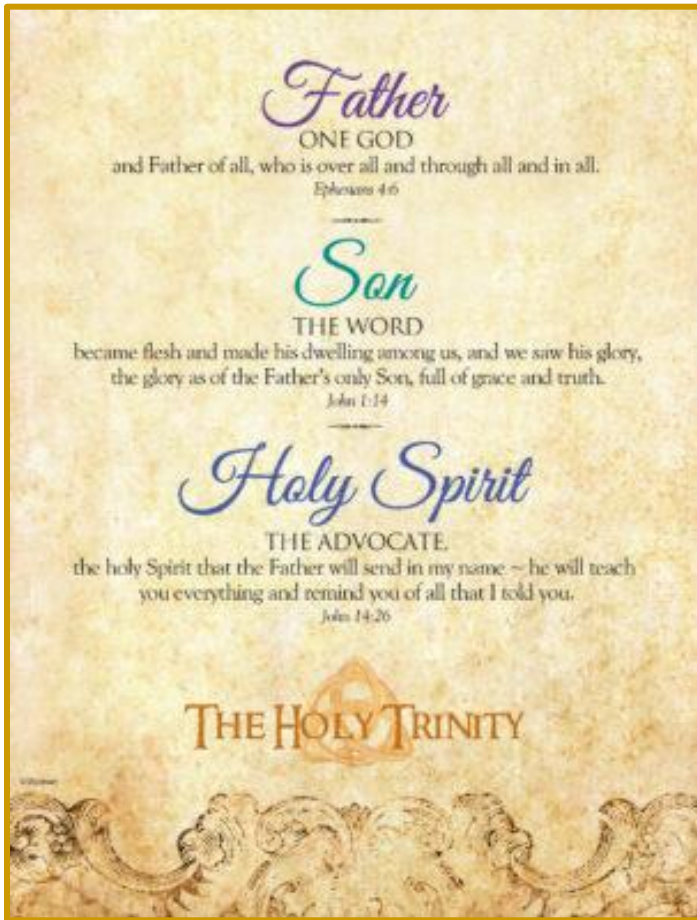


First Presbyterian Church  
Salem, Ohio

June 15, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Trinity Sunday



Worship will be live streamed on  
**Facebook:** First Presbyterian Church of Salem, Ohio,  
**You Tube:** [www.youtube / FPCSALEM](http://www.youtube.com/FPCSALEM); and  
our website, [www.fpcsalem.org](http://www.fpcsalem.org).

*"We are centered in Christ and powered by love."*

## WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

### PRELUDE

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus  
The Old Rugged cross*

*Melody Bober  
Fred Bock*

*Let us silently turn our hearts, minds, and  
bodies to the worship of God as the  
light of Christ is brought forward.*

### PRELUDE

*Because He Lives*

*William Gaither*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please take a moment to sign and pass the Attendance Pad.*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

**Heaven and earth are full of the glory of God!**

Come let us sing and speak the great works of the Lord.

**Heaven and earth are full of the glory of God!**

Come let us tell the story of our great three-in-one God.

**Heaven and earth are full of the glory of God!**

Let us worship our God with all that we are and all that we  
have.

**Father, Son and Holy Spirit we worship you!**

### \*HYMN 138

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

### \*INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following  
in his way. But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully  
to Christ's invitation. Let us seek God's forgiveness so that we  
may know more deeply the joy God intends.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Unison*)

**Blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, yours is a perfect relationship, one God in three persons, mutual and whole. We confess that our relationships are not that way. We have been too selfish; we have given too much; we have accepted too little. We have failed to love in the manner of Jesus. We have let sin drive us away from one another and from you. We long for wholeness and peace, but our sin pulls us in other directions. Forgive us and restore us. Pull us to you. With mercy and grace, pull us to you. Amen.**

*(Moments of Silent Prayer)*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

With abundant grace and boundless mercy, God relentlessly seeks us out.

**This is good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**\*GLORIA PATRI** (*Unison; Hymn 579*)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC  
*He Lives*

*Mike Newman, Trumpet*  
*A.H. Ackley, Arr. by D.R. Heier*

**THE WORD OF GOD AMONG US**

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (*Unison*)

**Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.**

**THE FIRST READING**

*Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31*

<sup>1</sup> Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice? <sup>2</sup> On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; <sup>3</sup> beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: <sup>4</sup> “To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all who live. <sup>22</sup> “The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. <sup>23</sup> Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. <sup>24</sup> When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. <sup>25</sup> Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, <sup>26</sup> when he had not yet made earth and fields or the world’s first bits of soil. <sup>27</sup> When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, <sup>28</sup> when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, <sup>29</sup> when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, <sup>30</sup> then I was beside him, like a master worker, and I was daily his delight, playing before him always, <sup>31</sup> playing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

This is the Word of the LORD!

**Thanks be to God!**

SPECIAL MUSIC

*It Is Well With My Soul*

*Mike Newman, Vocal*

*John Ness Beck*

THE SECOND READING

*Psalms 8:1-9*

<sup>1</sup> O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. <sup>2</sup> Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. <sup>3</sup> When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; <sup>4</sup> what are humans that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? <sup>5</sup> Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor. <sup>6</sup> You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things

under their feet, <sup>7</sup> all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, <sup>8</sup> the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. <sup>9</sup> O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

This is the Word of the LORD!  
**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*“The All Encompassing God”*  
*Pastor Annie Parker*

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD IN OUR LIVES

\*HYMN 262

*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Unison*)

**We trust in Jesus Christ,  
fully human, fully God.**

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor  
and release to the captives**

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.**

**In sovereign love God created the world good  
and makes everyone equally in God's image.**

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.**

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, and sets us free  
to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor.**

*(from “A Brief Statement of Faith,” 1991)*

MOMENT FOR CELEBRATION

*Lynn Zocolo*

CALL TO OFFERING / OFFERTORY

*I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked*

*Fred Bock*

\*RESPONSE HYMN 592 (*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*)

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*Unison*)**

**O God, with faith and hope, we offer these gifts. Use them, even as you use us, to accomplish your purposes in Jesus Christ, the Head of the church and the Lord of our lives. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND SUPPLICATION/LORD'S PRAYER (*sins*)**

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**WE ENTER THE WORLD AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

**\*HYMN 132**

*Come, Great God of All the Ages*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (*Hymn 432; Song of Hope*)**

May the God of hope go with us every day,  
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
Praying, let us work for peace,  
Singing, share our joy with all,  
Working for a world that's new,  
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

*Please remain standing as the Light of Christ  
is carried into the world.*

**POSTLUDE**

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

*Arranged by John Carter*

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

**Questions for thought:**

1. How do you best understand the triune God?
2. Where do you see the different persons of God working and moving in the world?
3. Where do you hear God's wisdom in the world?

**A BIG "Thank You!"** to Genevieve and Judson Smith, owners of the Brimfield Bread Oven, for providing our Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day treats. These are just a few of the delicious foods that they make and sell at their bakery/cafe/restaurant in Kent, Ohio. If you are ever in their neighborhood, be sure to stop in, say, "Hello!" and try some of their other great foods. ~ *The Congregational Care Committee*

**Head Ushers:** Wanda Navoyosky, Sandy Quinn

**Liturgist:** Lynn Zocolo

**Bulletins** were donated today by Geoff Goll.

**Bulletins** were donated last Sunday by Ellen Maticik in honor of great grandson, Eddie Graham Guillette, born May 31.

**Bulletin Donors** are needed for July 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24, September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 26, November 16, 30, December 7, 21, 24, 28. Cost is \$15.00 a Sunday.

**Flowers** have been given by Paul and Barb Fennema in memory of Joseph Edward Woods and Ruurd Gabes Fennema; and by Jim and Nancy McNeal in honor of Matthew Drake's Birthday.

**Limited Deacon Scholarship Funds** are available for students from our church who are enrolled in College or University and who have not previously received Deacon assistance. Requests should be sent to the Church Office stating the name of the college or university attending, and course of study, if known. The deadline is June 30.

**The Summer Concert Series** will be held at Waterworth Park tonight at 6:00 p.m. featuring Backbeat with John Reese – *Oldies, Motown, and pop music*. Admission is free and attendees are reminded to bring lawn chairs. A vendor is available to purchase food and soft drinks.

### **All Hands on Deck for the 2025 Denise's Big Back Yard Events!**

An exciting addition for this summer is that we will have a large tent to use for our weekly picnics. An informational meeting for volunteers will be held in the church library after morning worship on June 29. Sign-up sheets for side dish and dessert donations will be posted in Fellowship Hall closer to the start-up date of July 9. Wednesday evening programs are listed below. **Any and all help is appreciated!**

- **July 9** – All About Pollinators!
- **July 16** – Presbyterian Preschool Program
- **July 23** – Music Stylings with Lulu and Jesse Reeks
- **July 30** – 'Chief Logan's War' with John Barnett
- **August 6** – Troop 3 Scouts
- **August 13** – Reptile Rescue

### **Do You Have Old, Unused and Unwanted Electronics Lying around the House and Taking Up Space?**

I know we all probably have drawers with unused electronics. You don't have to throw it away and have it add one more item to the local garbage dump. Instead, you can do something good for the earth and help a local, small business. Summit e-Waste Recycling Solutions at the Walborn Reservoir located at 11324 Price St NE in Alliance has a dumpster where you can bring electronics for recycling. Call them at 330-800-6657. They take computers, modems, routers, servers, DVD players, VCRs, game consoles, stereos, cell phones, small printers, cables, wires, power adaptors, and computer monitors.



**Recycling News:** John Repella is looking for any metal he can recycle. Give him a call to arrange a pickup, 234-320-1144. Mention you are from First Presbyterian Church.

**The First Presbyterian Church Preschool is now accepting students for the 2025-2026 school year.** The five day a week program combines the very best elements of a Preschool for 3-, 4-, and 5-year-old children. The Preschool staff is dedicated to maintaining a positive, nurturing environment promoting creativity, curiosity, and kindness. Our Preschool follows a Christian theme and participates in Ohio's "Step Up to Quality" system. We have an Early Childhood degreed teacher and experienced staff. Financial assistance is available through Job and Family Services for those qualifying. Children will develop skills needed for kindergarten readiness. Call 330-332-8620 for more information.

**Troop 3** is seeking adult leaders and young persons ages 11-18. Qualifications are adherence to the Scout Oath and Law, a love of adventure, learning, and teamwork. Perks are a world-class team, adventure, and learning amazing things. For more information, see Mark Smith or Frank Lewis.

### Vision Statement

*To glorify God and share the Spirit and love of Christ  
with our community and the world.*

### Sunday, June 15

6:00 Concert at Waterworth Park – *Backbeat with John Reese*

### Tuesday, June 17

9:30 Holy Yoga (Fellowship Hall)

### Thursday, June 19

9:30 Holy Yoga (Fellowship Hall)

**7:30 Regular Session Meeting** (Library and Hybrid)

### Sunday, June 22

9:00 Adult Bible Study (Library)

10:00 Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)

10:30 Service of Worship

6:00 Concert at Waterworth Park – *Guys Without Ties*

### Tuesday, June 24

**9:00-12:00 Church Office Hours**

9:30 Holy Yoga (Fellowship Hall)

### Wednesday, June 25

**9:00-12:00 Church Office Hours**

### Sunday, June 29

9:00 Adult Bible Study (Library)

10:00 Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)

10:30 Service of Worship

*After Worship, Denise's Big Back Yard* Informational Meeting (L)

6:00 Concert at Waterworth Park – *Salem Quaker City Band*

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