

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday, November 2, 2025

Twenty-First Sunday
after

Pentecost

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"Helping Others See Jesus' Grace In Me"

Order of Worship
Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 26)
** Congregation Stands/Rise in spirit*

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES Elder Sharon Kelley

***INTROIT #156 (AA) "God Is So Good"**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: We gather in awe,

PEOPLE: Standing before the Lord who shaped the heavens, formed the mountains, and
stilled the seas.

LEADER: We gather in faith,

PEOPLE: Trusting the God who cradles creation and holds our lives with steadfast love.

LEADER: We gather in hope,

ALL: Seeking the Spirit who breathes new life, brings justice to the oppressed, and peace
to all the earth. Amen

***OPENING HYMN #331 (GG).....,"God Of The Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"**

*** PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION (*Unison*)**

Holy Spirit, breathe fresh life into us as we gather to worship.

**Prepare our hearts to receive Your presence with joy. Renew our minds, awaken our
spirits, and guide our praise. May every song, prayer, and word draw us closer to
You. Fill this place with Your power and peace, that we may leave strengthened to
serve and share Your love. Amen.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

Patient and loving God, surrounded by so many distractions and temptations, we confess that we often fail to see You at work in our lives. Justice struggles to survive in a world filled with persecution and suffering. Our neighborhoods, families, and even our churches are too often marked by strife and division. As we wait for Your grace, open our hearts to Your hope and healing. Renew us in Your Spirit, that we may live faithfully and joyfully, always giving thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

SPECIAL SELECTION "The Goodness Of God"
By CeCe Winans

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rev. Delton H. Farmer

SCRIPTURE READINGS Rev. Delton H. Farmer

OLD TESTAMENT: Habakkuk 3:2
NEW TESTAMENT: Acts 2:42-47

SERMON Rev. Delton H. Farmer
"God's Work in You "Can" Awaken the World Around You"

INVITATIONAL HYMN #463 (AA)
"Lord, I Want To Be A Christian"

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (A Brief Statement of Faith) *unison*

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen

MINUTE FOR MISSION Elder Renea Stitt

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SELECTION....."My Life Is In Your Hands"
by Kirk Franklin

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER
Invitation to the Lord’s TableRev. Delton H. Farmer

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
Leader: The Lord be with you
People: And also, with you
Leader: Lift up your hearts
People: We lift them to the Lord
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise

THE LORD’S PRAYER/COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HMN #384 (AA) "Can’t Nobody Do Me Like Jesus"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

RESPONSE "Three-Fold Amen"

POSTUDE