

We Gather to Worship

Prelude Every Time I Feel the Spirit Dr. Mary Crowell

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Jim Truesdell

* Call to Worship Elder Brad Greene

**You, God, are my God,
earnestly I seek you;
I thirst for you,
my whole being longs for you,
in a dry and parched land
where there is no water.
I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your glory.
Because your love is better than life,
my lips will glorify you.
I will praise you as long as I live,
and in your name I will lift up my hands.
I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods;
with singing lips my mouth will praise you.**

*Hymn Let Us with Gladsome Mind #31

*Call to Confession Brad Greene

*Prayer of Confession Unison

Giver of abundant life, with you there is fullness of joy. We confess that we have rejected the gift and insulted the Giver. Our sinful nature still craves things that lead to death. Good Shepherd, Defender of the flock, protect us from our daily temptations and deliver us from evil. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lord, give us grace to walk in the fullness of joy given in Jesus Christ.

* Kyrie Eleison Unison

*Assurance of Pardon Pastor Truesdell

* The Gloria Patri Unison

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.

* Sharing the Peace of Christ Pastor Truesdell

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.

We Listen to God's Word

"This Little Light of Mine"

Time with Young Disciples Pastor Truesdell

Prayer of Illumination Brad Greene

First Reading Luke 24: 28-43
pgs. 1,047-48 Brad Greene

Anthem I Will Joyfully Sing by Mary McDonald

Second Reading Acts 2: 42-47
p. 1,079 Pastor Truesdell

Response Leader: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon We Are Church
Part 4 of 5
“The Breaking of Bread” Pastor Truesdell

We Respond to God's Grace

Hymn Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts # 494

* Affirmation of Faith Unison

The Apostles' Creed

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; e 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.

Invitation to Worship God with Our Offering

Offertory He is Lord Dr. Crowell

*Doxology

**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.**

* Prayer of Dedication Pastor Truesdell

Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayers of the People

Prayers of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer Unison

**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, forever.
Amen.**

Words of Insitution

Sharing the Bread and Cup
All bread is gluten free. Please hold each element until all
have been served.

Prayer After Communion

*Hymn We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight #817

*Charge Pastor Truesdell

*Benediction

* Postlude Dr. Crowell

*Stand if you are able

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health) Duane Counter (Health & Healing)
Doris Welch (Home) Suzanne Weeks (Healing)
Dean Steele Jac Catlett
Susie Fogg (Home) Diane Lynn (Health)
Sharon Massey Gale Cottles (Healing)
Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health) Ken (Healing) and Connie Brown
Debbi O'Neill (Healing) Charlotte Lyle (Healing)

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Brandon Noel – Army Sean Miller - Army
Adam Naves - Marines Damien Williams - Army
Kevin O'Neill-Army Nat. Guard Joshua Hargrove – Deployed
Jay Tulley- Middle East Justin Ruf- Army Air Guard

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Larry Harris (Healing, friend of Chris Hilgeman)
Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)
Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)
Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)
Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)
Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)
Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)
Mike Frehner (Support, friend of David Lyle)
Martha Taylor (Healing, mother of John Cagle)
Silvey Family (Healing, daughter 3 years old)
Maryann McKee (Healing, friend of Carol Copeland)
Shannon Underwood (Healing, daughter of Barbara Welborn)
Cadence Brooks (Healing, student of Cindy Witt)
Karryl Anderson (Healing, Mexico mission supporter)
Gerry Smith (Healing for knees, cousin of Jan Ruth)
Tim Swymer (Healing, Lauren Cagle's uncle)
Kristie Whitt (Healing, daughter of Alice Whitt)
Charlotte Pickett (visitor to the church)
Ronnie Cottles (Healing, father (in-law) of Michael & Gail Cottles)
Patricia Kloninger (Healing, friend of Jan Ruth)
Mia Bennett's mom (Healing, friend of Jim May)

FOR OUR VISITORS:

We welcome you to worship and would love to connect with you personally. Prayer Request/Visitor cards are located in the pews. Please place it with the offering or give it to the pastor following the service. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

The Session

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Cindy Witt	David Lyle,	Hal Baker
Stephen Ware	DeAnna Mc Neil	Brad Greene
Tom Clem	Chris Shindorf.	Sharon Hand

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Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God. To sign up for flowers call the church office.



Today's Services:

Sermon

Pastor Jim Truesdell

Liturgist

Elder Brad Greene

Musicians:

Emily Clem
Dr. Mary Crowell

Volunteers:

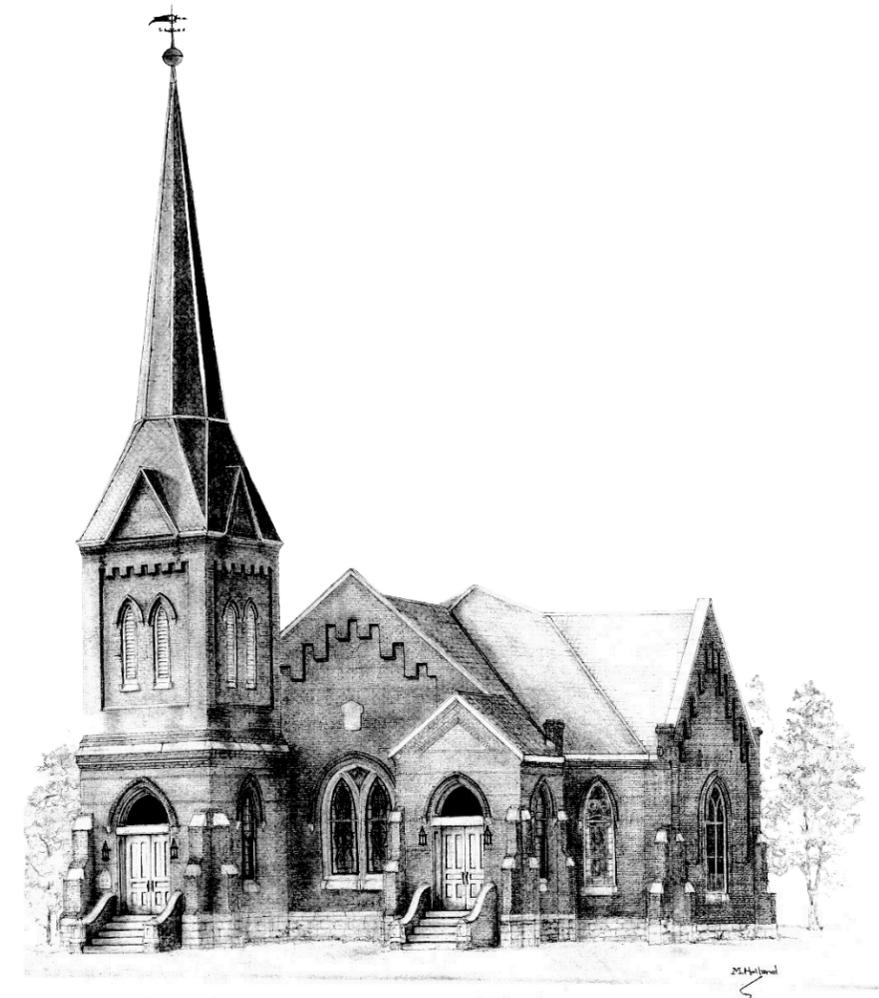
Church Nursery:

February 8th- Ruth Whitten
February 15th- Suzanne Paysinger

Liturgist:

February 8th- Jennifer Quillen

February 1, 2026
4th Sunday of Epiphany



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We serve each other, the Athens community, and the world on the square in downtown Athens. Our church family is a community of believers who come seeking the grace and peace of God.

If you are looking for a place where you will be accepted, nurtured, and nourished in your journey of faith, or if you are still examining the claims of Christianity, then you are welcome at First Presbyterian Church.

Prayers of thanksgiving for:

For Pastor Jim Truesdell
and the new elders of
First Presbyterian