

We Gather to Worship

Prelude Sing a New Song Unto the Lord Elder Emily Clem

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Jim Truesdell

* Call to Worship Psalm 37: 1-7 Elder Christy Arnett
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Do not fret because of evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong;

For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

Take delight in the Lord, who shall give you your heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust in the Lord, who will bring it to pass.

The Lord will make your righteousness as clear as the light and your just dealing as the noonday.

Be still before the Lord

Wait patiently for the Lord.

*Hymn Amazing Grace #649

*Prayer

*Call to Confession Christy Arnett

*Prayer of Confession Unison

Eternal Father, the mercy we need most is for our willful ignorance. You have shown us what is good and what you require: to do justice, love mercy, and to walk humbly with you. Instead of simple obedience, we rationalize, ignore, and overlook human need. Forgive our sins. Form in us a religion that is pure and undefiled before you. Form us more and more in the likeness of Jesus. Amen.

* Kyrie Eleison Unison

You are the Lord giver of mercy!

You are the Christ giver of mercy!

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*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: And also with you.

We Listen to God's Word

"This Little Light of Mine"

Time with Young Disciples Pastor Truesdell

Prayer for Illumination Christy Arnett

First Reading Micah 6:1-16 Christy Arnett
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Anthem This Is My Father's World Susan Spencer

Second Reading Micah 7:1-20 Pastor Truesdell
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Response Leader: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Finding Reason To Hope Pastor Truesdell
Part 4/4
People Who Abandon Religion for Goodness

We Respond to God's Grace

*Hymn Arise, Your Light Is Come! #744

*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; he 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.

Prayers of The People Pastor Truesdell

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.

Invitation to Worship God with Our Offering

Offertory Lord, I Want to Be a Christian Emily Clem

*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

*Hymn Go With Us, Lord #748

*Charge Pastor Truesdell

*Benediction

* Postlude Selections from Grandma's Hymnal Emily Clem

***Stand if you are able**

June 21, 2026

4th Sunday After Pentecost

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health)	Duane Counter (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)	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)
 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 and kidneys, cousin of Jan Ruth)
 Tim Swymer (Healing, Lauren Cagle’s uncle)
 Ronnie Cottles (Healing, father-in-law of Michael& Gail Cottles)
 Leigh Ann Looyenga (Healing, friend of Gina Haraway)
 MaryJo Ghadimi (Healing, friend of Matt Robinson)
 Allison Hargrove Bains (Sympathy, niece of Diann Copeland)
 Great Uncle of Rosie Sims (Hospice)
 Widower Heath, Children Bess and David (Grieving Laura Christopher, friend of Suzanne Paysinger)
 Judy Cramer (Healing, neighbor of Jan Ruth)
 Kathy Krueger (Healing, neighbor of Jan Ruth)
 Sue Guyer (Healing, sister of Bonny Noel)
 Macie Garrett (Healing, 12 years old, great niece of Christy Arnett)
 Carl Dean Bolin (Health, Uncle of Joyce Amptmeyer)

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!

Announcements:

- Play (or learn) Mahjong and other games each Monday night at Revival
- Potter’s hand meets each Wednesday morning from 9-12. Stop by the Farmer’s Market and see how we raise funds for people in need.
- Choir practice Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
- Shower Day with Hearts for Homeless, 2nd Tuesday of each month at 12:00 at Revival. Volunteers are welcome to set up at 11:00, lunch and fellowship at 12:00, and clean-up at 2:00.
- 2026 VBS: Snowball Mountain Challenge on July 7-9th from 9:00am-11:00am at the Revival Center. Forms can be submitted in person at the First Presbyterian Church in Athens, AL or via email fpcahens@fpcahens.org.

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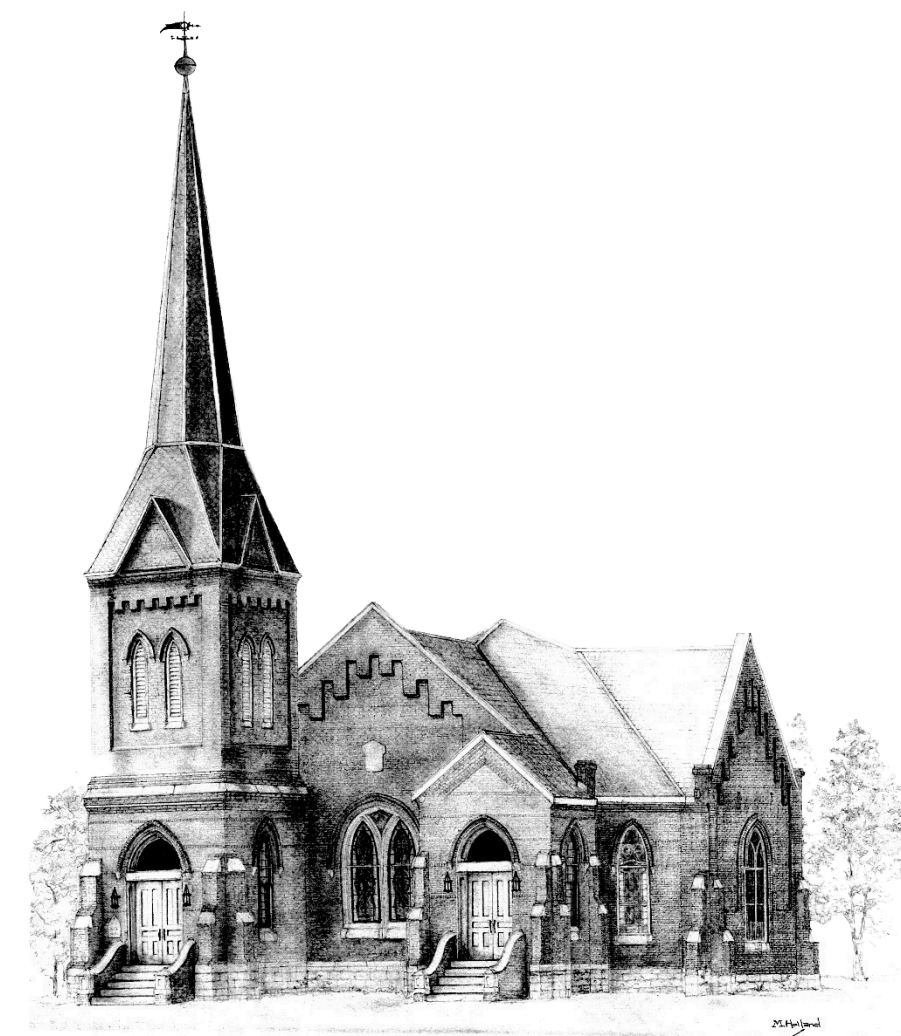
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Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Ryan Amptmeyer’s birthday and Father’s Day. To sign up for flowers, call the church office.



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