

EVENING WORSHIP

First Presbyterian Church
January 11, 2026 – 5:00 PM

~ Please pick up a hymnal before the service ~

Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 92:1–2

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night.

Invocation

*Hymn No. 53

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 12:3–17

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? “My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.” It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out

of joint but rather be healed. Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no “root of bitterness” springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

Prayer of Confession

(unison)

Holy Father, we confess that we may approach You with our mouths and our lips, when our hearts are not in worship. We confess that we offer to You that which costs us little. Though You are a great King, we often bring to You the leftovers of our time, energy, gifts, and worship. We have neglected Your commands when it is inconvenient for us to keep them. We have ignored Your laws when it causes us to lose our ease. We have disregarded our neighbors’ needs, and wondered aloud why other people do not meet our needs. O Father, have mercy on us! Forgive us of our many debts! Cleanse us and give us the mind and heart of Jesus, who came not to be served but to serve and to give His life a ransom for many. In His name, and for His sake, we come to You. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Joel 2:12–13

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn No. 587

Who Is on the Lord’s Side?

Sermon

The Folly and Fall of Saul
1 Samuel 14:24–15:35

Pastor Gesin

*Hymn No. 672

Trust and Obey

*Benediction

*Please stand if you are able.

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*“HIM WE PROCLAIM, warning everyone and teaching everyone
with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.”*

Colossians 1:28