

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 7, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S WORD

†GATHERING SONG

"House of the Lord"

Wickham/Smith

WELCOME

Rev. Daniel J. Commerford

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Brad Simpson

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Mary Taneti

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 12:1-5a

Hebrews 5:12-14

SERMON SEIRES

Road Trip: Finding God in the Midst of our Journey

MEDITATION

"The Journey of Life and Faith"

Rev. Daniel J. Commerford

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

†HYMN

"Come To God's Table"

Barrett/Payne

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR LIVES TO GOD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

†SENDING HYMN #726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

KELVINGROVE

†BLESSING

WELCOME

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church - where faith is alive! Your presence here is our honor and joy. We pray that your heart is encouraged, that the Word is clear, and that you go from this place renewed and refreshed in search of an ever deeper connection with our awesome God! If you would like more information about First Presbyterian Church, please sign the welcome forms in your pew or stop by the welcome table to receive a gift in gratitude for your presence with us.

NURSERY CARE

Professional nursery care is offered for infants and children up to four years old. The nursery is located on the first floor; please see an usher for directions.

PASTORAL STAFF OFFICE HOURS*

Rev. Daniel J. Commerford	Mondays 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.*
Rev. Brad Simpson	Mondays 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.*
Mary Taneti	Tuesdays 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.*
Rev. Grady Moseley	By appointment
Jill Kimbirl	By appointment

*Throughout the week, the ministry of the pastoral staff will lead them to meetings at church, beside the hospital bed, homes of members, and elsewhere in the community in order to serve the mission of FPC. Although they are always available by appointment, they will also be available in their offices for unannounced visits during office hours. Be sure to come on by and say hello!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Daniel J. Commerford - Senior Pastor
Rev. Brad Simpson - Associate Pastor
Mary Taneti - Director of Faith Formation
Rev. Grady Moseley - Minister of Visitation
Myles Davidowitz - Director of Childcare
Caleb Hayes - Director of Communications
Kensie Hayes - Receptionist
Bethany Jennings - Director of Music Ministries
David Jennings - Organist
Jill Kimbirl - Pastoral Assistant
David McFadden - Business Administrator
Ana Meyer - Financial Secretary
Cheryl Mims - Director of Mother's Morning Out
Sherry Moore - Administrative Assistant
Rodney Owens - Maintenance Supervisor
Becky Rowland - Director of Presbyterian Weekday School
Matt Smith - Thrive Music Leader & Audio/Visual Supervisor

LEADING COMBINED WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Daniel J. Commerford; Rev. Brad Simpson; Mary Taneti; Matt Smith; Michelle Melton; Jack Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

NEW CONNECTION CARDS

Please fill out the Connection Card located in the pew to mark your attendance and place in the offering plate during the offertory.

SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST AND STUDY

Sunday, July 14, 9:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall — Second Sunday Breakfasts continues with Rev. Dr. Joshua T. Morris, Assistant Professor of Practical Theology at Union Presbyterian Seminary, as a guest speaker.

VOLUNTEER FOR ROTARY GARDEN HARVESTING



Rotary Community Garden — Volunteer opportunities are available for the Rotary Community Garden. This year, FPC is in charge of tomatoes. If you would like to help, please scan the QR code to view the open opportunities on SignUp Genius. Our Youth Group will be harvesting on Sunday, July 14, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

COLLEGE LUNCHEON

July 18, 11:30 a.m., — We invite all our college students (rising Freshmen through Seniors) to join us for lunch at Viva Chicken, 2205 E. Franklin Blvd #100, Gastonia. RSVP by texting Mary Taneti 919-922-4687

VBS REGISTRATION



July 21-25 — Sign up for VBS! Visit www.myvbs.org/firstpresgastonia to register. The deadline is July 10. If you want to volunteer, you can sign up via the Realm Connect App!

SAVE THE DATE! CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT

November 15-17, Montreat Conference Center — The entire congregation is invited to come together at Montreat for a weekend of fellowship, discipleship, and worship this fall. Scan the QR code for more information. There are 60 available spots.

Summer Worship June 2 — September 1

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School

Children and S.A.L.T. will not meet for Sunday School.

Henderlite and Connections will meet at 9:00 a.m.; Seeker's will meet at 11:00 a.m.

Second Sunday Breakfast and Study takes place every second Sunday in lieu of Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall. Special guest teacher Rev. Dr. Joshua T. Morris will present a study from his book *Moral Injury*.

10:00 a.m.

Combined Worship Service

Combined Summer Services will be in the Sanctuary with the exception of September 1 in the Fellowship Hall.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT FPC GASTONIA,
SCAN THE QR CODE!

