



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LAKE CITY, FLORIDA



August 30, 2026

14th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30am Service

PRELUDE

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Marilynn Ham

TRINITY CHIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord; call on His name.

Make known His deeds among the peoples.

Sing praises to Him, and tell of all His wonderful works.

Glorify His holy name; those who seek the Lord, rejoice!

Let us worship God together!

* PRAISE SONG

"Reckless Love"

Cory Asbury

CALL TO CONFESSION

We come before God not as despised sinners, but as beloved children. (1 John 3:2)

With the confidence of children of God, let us humbly confess our sin, first in silent prayer.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great and gracious Triune God, we thank you for loving us, even when we are hard to love. Self-giving love that brings good to others is one of your primary characteristics. You tell us that active, self-giving love is the defining characteristic of people who belong to your grace-saved family. We do love our neighbors, but we cannot claim to consistently live up to your command to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. We do love our brothers and sisters in Christ, but we cannot claim to live up to the even higher standard of loving our brothers and sisters in Christ as he loves us. We do love you, Lord, but we do not love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Please forgive us. Help each of us to experience more of your love and help us to love more and more like you love. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace we have been saved. (Ephesians 2:4-5)

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

* GLORIA PATRI #581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GREATOREX

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Your Love Defends Me"

Matt Maher

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LOUD OFFERING

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

Bill Wolaver

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM LESSON

Psalm 105:1-6

EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 12:9-21

God's word for God's children.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Johnny Brown

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

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.

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH adapted from *The Confession of 1967*¹

The Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ. The new life takes shape in a community in which we know that God loves and accepts us in spite of what we are. We therefore accept ourselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace. Amen.

OFFERTORY

"This Is How We Know What Love Is"

soloist: Laila Striebel

* DOXOLOGY #606

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Great and gracious God, we thank you for your abundant love and provision. Help us to see how blessed we are, now and eternally. Increase our gratitude and help us to serve you in joyful obedience. Amen.

* HYMN #300

"We Are One in the Spirit" THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

* BENEDICTION

* SENDING SONG

"Our Church's Mission"

Goodrich & Redding

* POSTLUDE

"We Will Glorify / Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Marilynn Ham

¹ The Confession of 1967 is a modern statement of faith adopted by the UPCUSA and later embraced by the PCUSA as part of its confessional tradition. The document was written to address the needs of discipleship in the mid-20th century, emphasizing reconciliation in Christ as the central theme of the gospel.

Announcements

Loud Offering today

Sunday School - (9:30am) Montgomery SS Class: RM106

Jay Fraser & Jennifer Renfroe

(9:30am) Ligonier Adult Class: RM112

James Robinson

Children – 2nd to 5th grade: RM104 – Lisa Smith

Youth 6th to 12th grade: RM202 – Johnny Brown

Life Group – Monday - Joy Seekers: (4pm) RM106

Mission – Tuesday: (10am) RM104

Bible Study – Men's Power Lunch – Wednesdays: (12noon) FH

Fellowship Dinner – Wednesday: (5:45pm) FH: **Potluck – No charge, bring a dish to share!**

Life Groups – Wednesday: (6:30pm) Heinz57 – RM104 & Salt & Light – RM106

Youth Group – Wednesday: (6:30pm) RM202

Choir Rehearsal – Wednesday: (6:30pm)

Men's Breakfast at IHOP – Friday: (8am) see Larry Elshoff

Scouts – Monday (6:30pm) EB: **Scouts Den Mtg**

(7pm) Scout Hut: **Scout Troop 85**

– **Tuesday (6pm) EB: **Girls Troop 9085****

Mid-week Choir Rehearsal will begin this Wednesday at 6:30pm. New singers are welcome!

Stewardship Kick-Off – Sunday, October 18 Commitment Sunday – November 15

Staff & Support

Pastor – Rev. Dr. Vaughan Smith

Music Director/Worship Coordinator – Tim Redding

Youth Director – Johnny Brown

Office & Financial Administrator – Nikki Hubler

Administrative Assistant – Jazmin Halley

Sexton – Luke Stanziani

Musicians – Sharon Christensen, Dalton Weatherford & Joel St. John

The Session Elders & Committee Chairs

Clerk of Session – Janie Killian 386-984-5742

Personnel – Don Baggett 863-634-3625

Congregational Life – Cheryl Whigham 386-397-3246

Property – Gerry Klauber 540-809-1124

Christian Ed. – Marty Fraser 386-365-1454

Seekers – Jennifer Renfroe – 386-292-2491

Finance – Lee McDuffie 386-365-4965

Stewardship – Mike Millikin 386-623-0901

Mission Outreach – Lisa Smith 386-697-6010

Worship – Anne Carroll 386-365-2771

Nominations – Charles Kime 386-755-4937

Youth – Beverly Schulz 386-965-0224

Prayer List

1. Sue Acosta (Jackie Acosta's mother-in-law)
2. Graham Anthony
3. Don & Julia Baggett
4. Judy Benvenuti
5. Erik Brown (Sharon Persons's son)
6. Doris Clark
7. Jesse Dobson (Candi Dobson's son)
8. Marion Dooley
9. Larry Elshoff
10. Alison Goodrich
11. Anne Graves
12. Art Graves
13. Art Grover
14. Rodger Hadley
15. Bereaved family & friends of Carol Hendrix (Bev Anthony's sister)
16. Rita Hetrick
17. Janie Hollis
18. **Aria Horne (Bailee-Jo's friend)**
19. Joanne Hudson
20. Tom Hudson
21. Sammy Keene (Audrey Greene's relative)
22. **David Lawrence & family (Lisa Smith's brother)**
23. Dr. Don McGarity & family
24. Gene McNeill
25. John Milliner (Tim Redding's friend)
26. Marty Morper
27. Minesh Patel (Bev Anthony's friend)
28. Peace in the world
29. Debra Raulerson
30. **Fredrick Reed (Bonnie Green's friend)**
31. **Bruce Robinson**
32. Phyllis Skinner
33. Pattie Smith (Janie Hollis's friend)
34. Blaine Walker (former FPCLC Associate Pastor)
35. Nick & Mary Brown Whitehurst

God of Comfort, God of Grace, and God of Love, we pray for your mercy, healing, and comfort for those above, as you hold them and their loved ones close to you. We pray that in your presence their hearts may know and feel your love, hope and kindness in the midst of their troubles. In Jesus Christ, we pray. AMEN. Thank you for keeping them in your daily prayers.

Birthdays:

John Klinger 8/31 Steve Raulerson 8/31
James Norris 9/3 Larry Zimmerman 9/5

Anniversary:

John & Mary Klinger 9/3

We warmly welcome you to our worship service. Your presence is a great joy and we hope that you will have a wonderful experience of God's grace and love. If you are interested in becoming a member of the church or exploring becoming a member, please speak to the minister after worship today. *We would love to have you as a member!*