



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LAKE CITY, FLORIDA



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June 21, 2026

4th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30am Service

PRELUDE

“Purify My Heart”

Jeff Nelson

TRINITY CHIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: I will tell of the Lord’s unfailing love.

People: **I will praise God for all that he has done—**

Leader: his great goodness to his people,

People: **and his many acts of faithful love.**

Leader: God is our Father,

People: **our Redeemer from ages past.**

Unison: Let us worship God together!

*** HYMN #49**

“The God of Abraham Praise”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, you are the One from whom we come and the One to whom we will go. You delight in us; you accept us. Yet so often we find it hard to accept your forgiveness. So once again, we come to ask for your grace. Forgive us for withholding grace from others. Help us to accept that we are accepted, to find freedom from our mistakes and messes, and to breathe in your liberating love, that we might join you in the great renewal of creation and cultivate hope and justice for all people. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*** GLORIA PATRI #581**

“Glory Be to the Father”

GREATOREX

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Romans 6:1b-11

HYMN #39

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

FAITHFULNESS

SECOND READING

Genesis 21:8-21

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Father God, Father Abraham”

Rev. Ruth Elswood

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostle’s 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 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.

OFFERTORY

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

Cindy Berry

*** DOXOLOGY #606**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

OLD HUNDREDTH

*** PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

*** HYMN #547**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

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*** BENEDICTION**

*** SENDING SONG**

“Our Church’s Mission”

FPCLC

*** POSTLUDE**

“God, the Father of Your People”

Carol Tornquist

Announcements

Today we celebrate the fathers and father figures who have helped pass faith, wisdom, and love from one generation to the next. May God bless you today and continue to strengthen the bonds of family and faith.

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

Jay Fraser & Jennifer Renfroe

Children – 2nd to 5th grade: RM104 – Lisa Smith Youth 6th to 12th grade: RM202 – Johnny Brown

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

Finance – Tuesday: (4pm) RM106

Feed My Lambs – Tuesday: (9am) St. James

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

Fellowship Dinner – On break for the Summer

Feed My Lambs Prep – Thursday: (8am) FH

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

Living Sober – Saturday: (6pm) FH

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

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

Happy Father's Day!

VBS 2026 “Emerald Crossing” – July 13-17

Staff & Support

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 324-397-3246

Property – Gerry Klauber 540-809-1124

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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. Joshua Adams (U. S. Army)
2. Graham Anthony
3. Don & Julia Baggett
4. Judy Benvenuti
5. Erik Brown (Sharon Persons's son)
6. Geoff Casner
7. Doris Clark
8. Jasper Dennison (Kitty Dennison's son)
9. Marion Dooley
10. Holly Durrenberger (Rev. Dr. Don & Bonnie McGarity's daughter)
11. Larry Elshoff
12. Bereaved family & friends of Ruth Fraser (Jay Fraser's mother)
13. Alison Goodrich
14. Anne Graves
15. Art Graves
16. Art Grover
17. Rodger Hadley
18. **Carol Hendrix (Bev Anthony's sister)**
19. Janie Hollis
20. Joanne Hudson
21. Tom Hudson
22. Katherine Lyle (Nikki Hubler's mother-in-law)
23. Bonnie McGarity (Dr. Don McGarity's wife)
24. Rev. Dr. Don McGarity & family
25. Bereaved family & friends of Bob Moneymaker (Rod & Linda Sutton's friend)
26. Camp Montgomery Staff
27. Marty Morper
28. Bereaved family & friends of Virginia Newsom (prior long-time member)
29. Joyce Ogden (Janie Hollis's friend)
30. **Minesh Patel (Graham & Bev Anthony's friend)**
31. Peace in the world
32. Kelly Poe (Marty Fraser's sister)
33. Phyllis Skinner
34. Pattie Smith (Janie Hollis's friend)
35. Blaine Walker (former FPCLC Associate Pastor)
36. Bereaved family & friends of George Ward (Carole Robertson's friend)
37. Nick & Mary Brown Whitehurst
38. Pam Williams (Nancy Howe's friend)

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:

Marion Dooley 6/23 Mike Millikin 6/23

Anniversaries:

Howard & Roberta Whitaker 6/22 Tom & Donna Sue Sawyer 6/24 Charles & Anne Carroll 6/25
George & Sue Brannon 6/26 Roger & Ann Elliott 6/26 Martin & Diane St. John 6/26

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!*