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LIVE-STREAM: 11:00 service - https://tinyurl.com/FPC-Richmond
(Worshippers wishing to remain off-camera may be seated in the balcony)

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY -- 10:30 am -- Proverbs.

WEDNESDAY MORNING YOUTH PRAYER BREAKFAST -- 6:45 am – at Purdy's

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY -- 6:30 pm -- 1 Corinthians.

SUNDAY SUPPER – 25 October 2026 – 6:00 pm. Come break bread with us. Bring a dish if you have one to share; even not, bring yourself, share your company.

SESSION MEETING – 27 October 2026 – 6:00 pm.

NECROLOGY OF THE SAINTS – 1 November 2026

LOCKIN 2026 – 7-8 November 2026 – overnight.

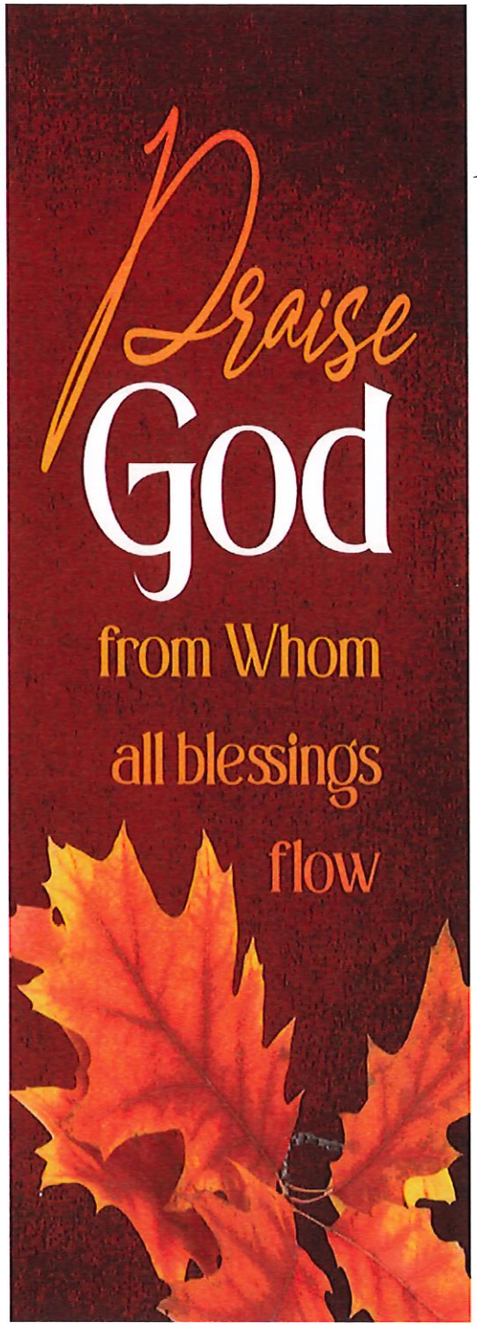
ARTS & CRAFTS FOR MISSIONS -- 14 November 2026 – 9:00am – 3:00pm.

First Presbyterian Church Ruling Elders
Jen Wilke-Deaton, Jim Exline, LeAnn Jones, Arleita Dirne, Mark Pitts, Gil Shew, Craig Mapel, Beth Underwood

First Presbyterian Church Deacons
Ava Stanley, Wayne Bowlin, Donna Cox, Denise Crump, Marti Exline, Sarah Gump, Amanda Tipton, Lynn Shearon, Morgan Couch

REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY:	**9:45**	**Sunday School**	**WEDNESDAY:**	**6:30**	**Bible Study**
	11:00	**Worship**	**SUNDAY:**	**9:45**	**Sunday School**
MONDAY:	**10:30**	**Bible Study**		**11:00**	**Worship**
TUESDAY:	**9-11**	**Tuesday Crew**			



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We exist . . .

not for ourselves,

but to love Jesus Christ,

and to make Christ's love known.

"WELCOME!"

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, October 25, 2026 Reformation Sunday - The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME
PRELUDE *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Arranged
INTROIT *Lord, You Have Been Our Dwelling Place* (from Psalm 90) Schütz

*CALL TO WORSHIP **(Adapted from Psalm 90:13-17)**

Leader: O LORD, satisfy us in the morning with Your steadfast love,
People: So that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Leader: Make us glad as many days as You have afflicted us
People: And as many years as we have seen evil.
Leader: Let Your work be manifest to Your servants
People: And Your glorious power to their children.
Leader: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us
People: And prosper for us the work of our hands!

*HYMN #260 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God almighty: throughout the ages, You have sent prophets to call us to Your will, but we have not listened. Our need to confess is great, yet we pretend that we can hide our sins from You. Our faith is not pure, and our service is not faithful. Have mercy upon us, O God, and by the power of Your Spirit, reform Your church. Have mercy upon us, O God. By the power of Your Spirit, reform Your people, that we may better serve as disciples of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE KYRIE #572
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH
(Elementary-age Children are now invited downstairs for Children's Worship.)

ANTHEM *What God Ordains Is Good Indeed* J. S. Bach
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
SCRIPTURE Matthew 22:34-40 New Testament, p. 19
Pastor: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks Be to God.**

SERMON "Love: It's The Law" Dr. Curtis Christian
*HYMN #359 *More Love to Thee, O Christ* MORE LOVE TO THEE
Verses 1 & 2

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FROM MARTIN LUTHER

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, secured and delivered me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with silver or gold, but with His holy and precious blood, and with His innocent suffering and death.

He has redeemed me, that I might be His, that I might live under Him in His kingdom, that I might serve Him in righteousness, in innocence, and in blessedness; even as He is risen from the dead, Who lives and reigns to all eternity. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579 Gloria Patri
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
OFFERTORY *Komm', Heiliger Geist* Telemann
*DOXOLOGY #592 Old Hundredth
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #335 *Though I May Speak* O WALY WALY
Verses 1&3

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
CHORAL BENEDICTION *Teach Us How to Count Our Days* (From Psalm 90) Schütz
*POSTLUDE *Danke, Heiliger Geist* Telemann

*Those who are able, please stand Today's Lay Reader David Coleman

Today is the last Sunday in October. It is the Sunday on or near the 31st day of October, the day in 1517 AD when an Augustinian monk named Martin Luther nailed ninety-five theses to the church door in Wittenburg, Germany, contending that true forgiveness comes through genuine repentance and faith in Christ, not through monetary payment or the purchase of indulgences for sins. This Sunday is traditionally designated as Reformation Sunday. The liturgical color for this day is red. Red represents sacrifice because it signifies the shed blood of martyrs who gave their lives as a witness to the grace of Christ alone as the means of our salvation. It is indeed proper and fitting for us to mark this week with the holy color of red. Thanks be to God for the witness of His martyrs and for the inspiration of His Holy Spirit.