

# *First Presbyterian Church*

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**Sunday, May 17, 2026**  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER: Jonathan Jones

DIRECTOR OF MODERN WORSHIP: Goggie Sween

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Kristin Kondratowski

WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30am Lillian Myers / 11:00 am Wendy Hess

**WORSHIP: 8:30am and 11:00am**

Sunday, May 17, 2026

*Welcome*

8:30am Worship

*Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today. "Be still and know that I am God." ~ Psalm 46:10*

PRELUDE

*"Concerto in A Minor (1st movt)"*

J. S. Bach  
arr. Antonio Vivaldi

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ have set the pattern for our life together.

**People: He came among us, taking on our common humanity.**

Leader: We gather to worship the God who draws near.

**People: He stretched out his hands in service and in suffering.**

Leader: We gather to follow where he leads.

**People: He was crucified, bearing God's judgment on human sin.**

Leader: We gather, humbled by mercy we did not earn.

**People: He is risen, and he is coming again.**

Leader: We gather in hope, trusting in God's promised renewal. Come, let us worship the Father, through the Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

\*HYMN

*"Crown Him with Many Crowns"*

No. 151

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Gracious God, our Father, you have set before us the pattern of your Son: his life given freely among us, his hands extended in service, his cross revealing the depth of human cruelty and the weight of our complicity in it. We confess that we have not followed where he led. We have chosen comfort over presence. We have averted our eyes from suffering faces, failing to see in them the face of Christ. We have minimized our part in injustice, unwilling to reckon with what the cross lays bare. Forgive us, and awaken in us the hope of your coming kingdom. Through Jesus Christ, empowered by your Holy Spirit. Amen.

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE [*Please share Christ's peace with one another.*]

\*HYMN

*"Spirit of the Living God"*

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Kristin Kondratowski

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8:30am Service

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ANTHEM	<i>"With a Voice of Singing"</i>	Martin Shaw
FIRST SCRIPTURE	Isaiah 58:9b-12	
SECOND SCRIPTURE	Matthew 25:34-40	
SERMON	<i>"A Body in Motion"</i>	Walter Kondratowski
*HYMN	<i>"For the Beauty of the Earth"</i>	No. 473
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER		Pg. 16
WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD		
OFFERTORY	<i>"Liebestraum/Great is Thy Faithfulness"</i>	arr. Dino Kartsonakis
*DOXOLOGY		
PROFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES CREED		Pg. 14
*HYMN	<i>"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"</i>	No. 438
*BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	<i>"Toccata"</i>	Marcel Lanquetuit

*\*You are invited to stand if you are able during those places in the worship service marked with an asterisk.*

## Sermon Notes

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**Please contribute your tithes and offerings using one of the following methods:**

- Place your contribution in the collection plate
- Scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts
- Click the DONATE button on the church web site
- Mail your check to FPCS, 101 St. Decatur Street, Strasburg, PA 17579



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11:00am Service

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Greeting and Announcements

\*Praise & Worship      *Do What You Want To  
Head To The Heart  
Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message

Kristin Kondratowski

Child Dedication

*Jonah Matthew Sarian  
June Sadie Sarian  
Lydia Mae Sarian*

Scripture

Isaiah 58:9b-12  
Matthew 25:34-40

Sermon

*"A Body in Motion"*

Walter Kondratowski

Offering

\*Praise & Worship      *I Surrender*

\*Benediction

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**Prayer Requests** Please keep the following in your prayers.

Don Black  
Joy Corey  
Sherry Defelice (daughter of Joy Corey)  
Joyce Hollinger  
Dave Johnson

Jim Law – Hospice  
Brenda Lutz  
Lois Mellinger  
Theresa Rineer  
Hugh Smith



*May Deacons of the Month:* Caroline Grossmann & Carol Reinmiller

*In Need of the Prayer Chain?* Please contact the church office at 717-687-6030.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: [straspres.org](http://straspres.org) under the "Events" tab for current church events and please be sure to like us on Facebook. Children's Church is available for kids K-5<sup>th</sup> grades. Children will go to room 11 after the children's sermon.

*~~We are pleased to welcome Walter Kondratowski as our guest preacher this Sunday. ~~*

**CUSTODIAN NEEDED** • We are searching for a part time custodian. If you or someone you know may be interested, please check our website, or contact Linda Younger or Sandy Wenger.



**COFFEE HOUR** • Join us each Sunday at 9:30am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hosts for today: June Stum & Sandy Wenger. **There are currently no hosts for next Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.** All volunteers will be reimbursed for their purchases. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please contact

Theresa Rineer at 717-682-9954 or [rineertheresa@yahoo.com](mailto:rineertheresa@yahoo.com). There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you!

**LIBRARY NEWS** • Spring is here! Check out the books on the table in the library of the Women in the Bible. We also have youth books in the hall by the library and more great reading on the shelves for our youth and everyone to enjoy!



**GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION** for the 2026-2027 school year is open. Contact Heather Reynolds, Administrative Director at 717-617-9501 or [hreynolds@straspres.org](mailto:hreynolds@straspres.org), or pick up an application at the church office.



NEXT WEEK ~ MAY 24, 2026  
EIGHTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ PENTECOST

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture: Numbers 11:24-30

2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture: Acts 2:1-13

*"When the Holy Spirit Surrounds You"*  
Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching





## Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events!



**NEW MEMBER CLASSES** will continue **today, Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 3pm**. Anyone interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church or joining our church family is welcome to attend! Childcare will be provided!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL • JULY 12 – 17** • There are sign-up sheets under the TV in the Welcome Area for anyone wishing to volunteer to help with VBS. Our theme this year is “Tell It on the Mountain.”



**PENTECOST** ~ Join us in worship next **Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>** and wear red to celebrate the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst.

**TODDLER GYM** • Join us weekly on Fridays from 9 – 10:30am (Sept. – May) for playtime for ages 1 – 6 with their caregivers. **Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> will be the last Toddler Gym for the school year.** This program is free and open to the public and follows the Lampeter Strasburg School Calendar. For more information, check out our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) page, or contact Alyssa Gregory at 717-495-3939 or [agregory@straspres.org](mailto:agregory@straspres.org).



**MEMORIAL DAY** • Join First Presbyterian Church and **IGNITED Youth** in the Memorial Day Parade on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Walk along with us and represent the church throwing out candy. Gather on Mindy Ave at 8:30am for the start of the parade at 9am. A free hot dog roast, at FPC, will follow after the parade and service.



We’re also excited to feature the **Shopper Chopper**, a 10-foot tall grocery cart which will be highlighting our church’s food bank ministry! We have extra space on the Shopper Chopper to showcase other ministries and activities happening in our church. This is a great opportunity to spread the word about what God is doing in our church for the community. **Interested in showcasing a ministry or activity of the church?** Please contact the church office or Leo Petrokonis to reserve a spot!



## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, May 17

- 8:30am **Worship** (Classic)  
9:30am **Coffee Hour**  
10am **Sunday School Classes** for all ages  
\*Children's Sunday School Grades K – 5: Rm 12  
\*Youth Sunday School  
-Grades 6 – 7: Room 5      -Grades 8 – 12: Youth Room  
\*Young Adults – Choir Room  
\*Wired Word – Library  
\*Young at Heart – Room 4  
11am **Worship** (Modern)  
12:15pm Italy Meeting – Fellowship Hall  
3pm New Member's Class – Library

**\*IGNITED ♦ Combined Youth Group: 6 – 8pm – Fellowship Hall**

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### Monday, May 18

- 6:30pm IMPACT Young Adult Bible Study – Youth Room

### Tuesday, May 19 \*Election Day



- 11am Personnel Committee  
2pm Food Pantry

### Wednesday, May 20

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| 1pm | Knifty Knitters – Library  | 6pm | Praise Team – Sanctuary  |
| 3pm | Stitchin' Sisters – Room 4 | 7pm | Session Meeting – Room 4 |

### Thursday, May 21

- 6:30am Men's Fellowship & Devotions – Library  
6pm Bible Study – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>  
7pm Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

### Friday, May 22

- 9am Toddler Gym – FH  
2pm Food Pantry



## **Nominations for Elders, Deacons and Trustees**

The Church Officer Nominating Committee requests names from the congregation for consideration for the next class of Elders, Deacons and Trustees.

When submitting names for consideration, you may include the names of congregation members as well as your own.

Please submit names to be considered for nomination to Linda Lawrence and Leo Petrokonis or to the church office by June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Elder:

Deacon:

Trustee: