

First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, September 6, 2026

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

DIRECTOR OF MODERN WORSHIP: Goggie Sween

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DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Kristin Kondratowski

WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30am Carolyn Groff / 11am Jeffrey Marsh

WORSHIP: 8:30am and 11:00am

Sunday, September 6, 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

"How Great Thou Art"

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 140

Leader: I know that the Lord maintains the cause of the needy, and executes justice for the poor.

People: **Surely the righteous shall give thanks to your name; the upright shall live in your presence.**

*HYMN

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

No. 487

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Loving God we praise you because you have provided reconciliation between us and you. Even while we were yet sinners, you chose to die for us so that we could be in relationship with you. Forgive us Lord, for turning our back on your grace. Forgive us Lord, for demanding perfection from our neighbor and our family, even while we struggle to maintain mediocrity. Lead us back on the path to the assurance of our forgiveness found only in your son Jesus' name, in whose name we pray. 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

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 9:6-7

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 12:12-15

SERMON SERIES: HEBREWS: A LETTER FOR US TODAY

SERMON

"Pursue Peace with Everyone"

Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

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Welcome!

8:30am Service

*HYMN

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

No. 513

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*DOXOLOGY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Welcome

Distribution

*ALLELUIA

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

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

Sermon Notes

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



Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship *Holy Spirit
Yes And Amen
God I Look To You*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message

Scripture Isaiah 9:6-7
 Hebrews 12:12-15

SERMON SERIES: HEBREWS: A LETTER FOR US TODAY

Sermon *"Pursue Peace with Everyone"* Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

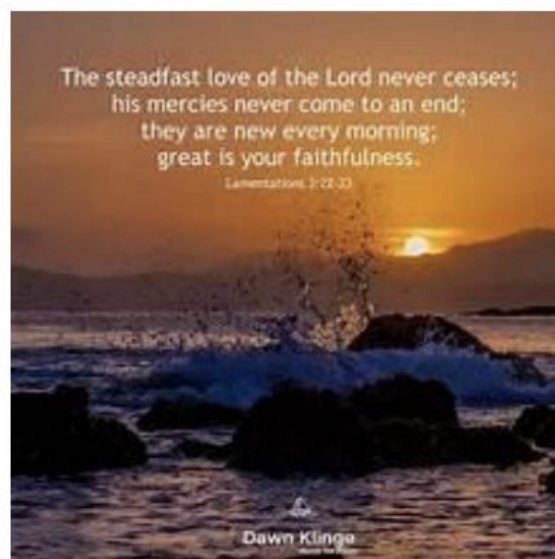
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Offering

*Praise & Worship *Trust In God*

*Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: 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-5th grades. Children will go to room 11 after the children's sermon.

The rose in the sanctuary today is in honor of the resurrection of Shelly Korznniecki-Denlinger, who passed into eternal life on August 29, 2026.



COFFEE HOUR • Join us each Sunday at 9:30am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Hosts for this week: Personnel Committee. Hosts for next week: Terry & JoAnn Sweigart. 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. There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you!



LIBRARY NEWS • Stop in to visit the church library and browse the selection of books we have available. Explore our collection and check out a book!



FRESH PRODUCE!! Is your garden producing more vegetables than you can use? Bring your extra produce to church and share it with friends and fellow church members. Your abundance could be a blessing to someone else!

GOLF ANYONE? Join Pastor Bob at Meadia Heights for golf on September 29th at 1pm. The cost is \$75 and there are 8 open spots. Let him know if you are interested!



CLUBHOUSE HELPERS: Another year of Clubhouse is here and **WE NEED YOU!** Clubhouse is a monthly program for children preschool through 5th grade that meet from 6 – 7:30pm on the first Wednesday of each month, September – May. The children are from our church family, preschool family, and the community. The program is Christian theme incorporating music, crafts, games and Bible stories. Volunteers are involved with these activities and "shepherd" a group of children to these activities as a group leader. You certainly don't need to commit to each month. Please see Beth Feiler or Amanda Allison if you are interested. **The next Clubhouse is Wednesday, October 7th.**



ASSISTANCE CORNER

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE ~ Each month this year, we are collecting specific items for CWS that the children will pack into hygiene kits in November. These kits can be given out to any age in need. Look for the new items to be donated below, or on the bulletin board outside room #5. Please place these items in the basket at room #5. If you have questions, please see Beth Feiler.



September Item: travel size toothpaste (3.4oz or less)

WATER STREET MISSION ~ There are opportunities for our congregation to serve meals at Water Street Mission. These events will require around 2.5 hours of your time serving meals to the Mission's residents and there will be someone from our volunteer team serving with you.

*Tuesday, September 15 – Dinner

*Friday, September 25 – Lunch

*Tuesday, October 13 – Dinner

*Friday, October 23 – Lunch



If you are interested in serving or if you would like to learn more about these opportunities reach out to Terry Sweigart at 717-606-6907 or by email at tlsweig@gmail.com. Thanks for your consideration!

FOOD PANTRY ~ Our families are so grateful for your generous contributions! We thank God for your continued support!



CURRENT NEEDS: *Canned Fruit *Pudding Cups *Applesauce

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

Charlie Book – Lakeside

Joy Corey

Sherry Defelice (daughter of Joy Corey)

Bill Koch

Jim Law – Hospice

Theresa Rineer

Joe Wilt (grandfather of Jenna Creighton)

Jim Yinger – The Glen

Comfort in Time of Loss:

Please pray for Scott Denlinger on the passing of his wife, Shelly Korznieceki-Denlinger on August 29, 2026.

Please pray for Ray and Carol Reeder on the passing of their son, Michael Reeder, on September 2, 2026.

A visitation for Shelly Korznieceki-Denlinger will be held Thursday, September 10th from 7-9pm at Bachman Snyder in Strasburg. A visitation will be held here at FPCS Friday, September 11th at 10am with a memorial service following at 11am.

A memorial service for Linda Hook will be held Saturday, September 12th at 11am at Quarryville Presbyterian Retirement Community.

September Deacons of the Month: Barb Groff & Deb Welk

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



Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events!



COMMUNITY WIDE WORSHIP • Gather with all the churches of Strasburg for worship at the Strasburg Park on **SUNDAY, September 20th at 10am**. There will be no worship here at FPC, so come and join our brothers and sisters in Christ from Strasburg to worship on this day.

BIBLE CHALLENGE • Beginning **TOMORROW, Monday, September 7th**, join us for a 90-day read through the gospel Challenge. Each day you will be given an opportunity to read one chapter from the gospels and to reflect on it with a journal. You can also find the blog post here on our website:

<https://www.straspres.org/category/bible-reading-challenge-blog/>. Challenge journals are available on the table under the TV in the Well and on the glass table in the foyer.



GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION for the 2026-2027 school year has openings in the 3-year-old classroom. Contact Heather Reynolds, Administrative Director at 717-617-9501 or hreynolds@straspres.org, scan the QR code, or pick up an application at the church office.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Please mark your calendars that we will be starting a new Bible Study on **Tuesday, September 22nd**. Classes will be held at 9am and 7pm in room 4. All are welcome! This fall, we are using a study by Kristi McLelland entitled "The Gospel on the Ground - The Grit & Glory of the Early Church in Acts". For any questions please contact Linda Bredin, Stacy Bronkema, or Sandy Wenger.



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, September 6

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 – 12: Youth Room

*Young Adults – Choir Room

*Wired Word – Library

*Young at Heart – Room 4

11am **Worship** (Modern)

NO IGNITED YOUTH GROUP

Monday, September 7 *Labor Day

*In observance of Labor Day, the church office will be closed on this day.



Tuesday, September 8

1pm Food Pantry Committee – Room 4

2pm Food Pantry

6pm Outreach Committee – Room 5

Wednesday, September 9

1pm Knifty Knitters – Library

3pm Stitchin' Sisters – Room 4

6pm Praise Team – Sanctuary

6:30pm Trustee Meeting – Room 4

Thursday, September 10

6:30am Men's Fellowship & Devotions – Library

6pm Bible Study – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzoMo4VUuahmT0CFUtwZzgg>

Friday, September 11

2pm Food Pantry

NEXT WEEK ~ SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

1st Scripture: Haggai 2:4-9

2nd Scripture: Hebrews 12:25-29

SERMON SERIES: HEBREWS: A LETTER FOR US TODAY

"Worship That is Acceptable to God"

Rev. Robert K. Bronkema