

First Presbyterian Church of Inverness
November 10, 2025
25th Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 27



PRELUDE

DR. MARINA VEILER

WELCOME

INTROIT

BE HOLY

CHANCEL CHOIR

OPENING SENTENCES

As we gather for worship, **let us offer praise to God.**

As we join voices and hearts, **we learn the importance of each one of us.**

As we find unity in the wider body of Christ, **we learn that our whole is more than its parts.**

Let us worship God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Giving God, as we share what we have, seeking to further your work in this world, remind us that abundance does not always mean extravagance and that humble offerings are holy. Whether we offer a grand gesture, a simple meal, or two small coins, lead us in the way of generosity. Amen.

ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, his the
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in sor - row
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, here on earth our food, our
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o - tent we

throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to -
 now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lies nor
 stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to you from
 own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your foot - stool,

ry a - lone! Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on
 ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him,
 day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners,
 heaven your throne. As with - in the veil you en - tered,

thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
 when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our hearts for -
 earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the songs of
 robed in flesh, our great high priest; here on earth both

ev - ery na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
 get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

O Christ, you praised the gift of the widow, who had so little and gave it all. Forgive us, O Christ, for turning our eyes away from people who are trapped in poverty. Forgive us, O Christ, for turning our resources into reasons for pride or greed. Forgive us, O Christ, and by your forgiveness, teach us to follow in your way of generosity. (silent confession) Let all God's children say, Amen.

***PASSING CHRIST'S PEACE**

***GLORIA**

HALLE, HALLE, HALLE

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let your will be done, **on earth as in heaven.**

ANTHEM

THE GIFT OF LOVE

CHANCEL CHOIR

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

OLD TESTAMENT

1 KINGS 17:8–16

PSALM

PSALM 146

**Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

**Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,
who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;
who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.** The Lord sets the
prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign for ever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

GOSPEL

MARK 12:38–44

SERMON

WHEN THE SYSTEM IS BROKEN

REV. LOU ELLEN HARTLEY

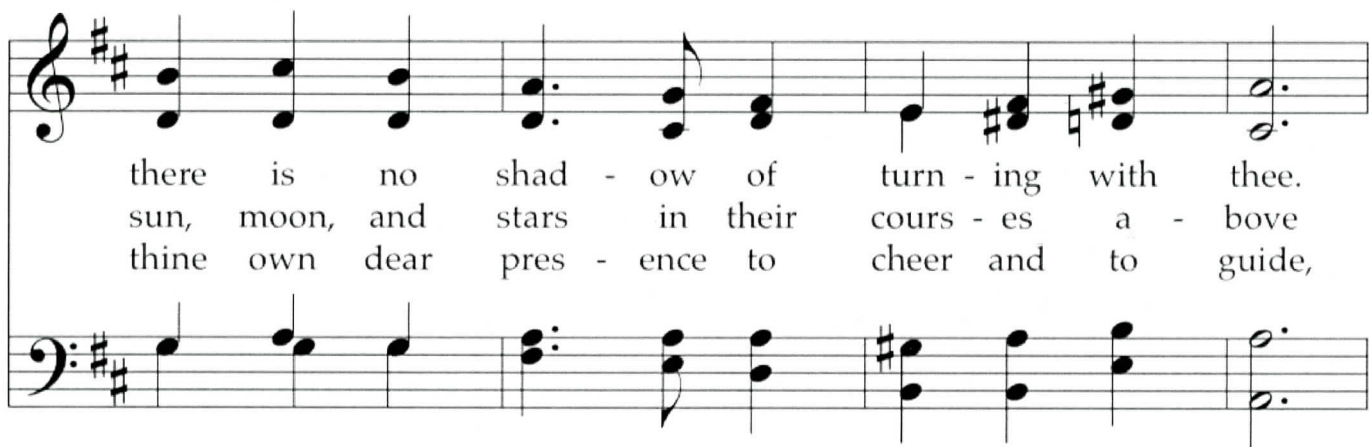
PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #39

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS



1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,



Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:



As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

keitain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
날 마 다 자 비 를 배 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

BLESSING AND CHARGE

***POSTLUDE**

Church Staff and Contact Information

Church Office 352-637-0770, fpcinvooffice@gmail.com

Lou Ellen Hartley, Pastor – revhartley1000@gmail.com

Lori Wolford, Dir. of Outreach & Christian Education, dcelori.fpc@gmail.com

Lesa Shelton, Music Director

Marina Veiler, Organist

Danny Birstler, Sound Booth Coordinator

Vicki Oorbeck, Child Care Attendant

Laura Morrow, Office Administrator

Bruce Cook, Prayer Warrior

Danny Sullivan, Facilities Manager

Gary Oorbeck, Grounds |Maintenance |Security

Rev. Dr. Mark Scott, Parrish Associate for Visitation

Treasurer Email: fpcinvFinance@gmail.com

Church Office Hours

9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday

Closed on Friday

Our Elders

Class of 2024: Caryl Birstler (clerk), Alicia Downing, George Schumacher, Carolyn Smith

Class of 2025: Barbara Dee Cawley, Jerry Reynolds, Leah Robinson

Class of 2026: Barbara Caudill, Bruce Cook, Lesa Shelton, John Morrison

Our Deacons

Class of 2024: Wilma Abel, Ron Shafer, Mary Beth Smith

Class of 2025: Toni Scott, Phoebe Schumacher, Amanda Morrison

Class of 2026: Ray Birstler, Donna Dublo, Adele Wardrup

WORSHIP FLOWERS

Worship Flowers are given anonymously: "Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!"

Psalms 105:3

Nursery and Sunday School for All Ages

Infants and Pre-K

CE Hall, Room 2

Ms. Vicki

Elementary (K-5)

CE Hall, Room 4

Ms. Mary Beth

Men's Bible Study

CE Hall, Room 5

Rev. Dr. Mark Scott

Adult Sunday School

Library

Barbara Caudill

Secondary/Youth Group (6-12)

CE Hall, Room 5

Ms. Lori, Mr. Ron &

6:00 p.m.

Miss Kryz

THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON TODAY

The Fellowship Committee and the Session invites everyone to join us after the worship service. The church committees and the session are providing lunch for you, including ham and turkey, potatoes, green beans, rolls, dressing, and dessert. Come celebrate and offer thanks with us.

FROM THE STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Hopefully, all of you received a letter from the Finance and Stewardship Committee asking you to prayerfully consider your financial commitment to the church in 2024. We will be dedicating our pledges in worship today.

GOD CALLING?

Is God calling you to get more involved in our church leadership? This is the time of year when we consider new candidates who may feel called to serve as an Elder or a Deacon for our congregation. Please speak to Ray Birstler, Bruce Cook, Bev King or Pastor Lou Ellen for more information.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS

Believe it or not, Christmas is just around the corner! The Christian Education Committee and Session has decided to sponsor 10 children from the Family Resource Center. We have one name available on the tree. All gifts must be returned by **Sunday, November 24th** in order to be delivered to the Family Resource Center before November 30th. If you have any questions, please see Lori Wolford or Krys D'Aquino.

Please DO NOT wrap the Angel Tree gifts.

Please DO attach the angel with the child's name to the gift.

THANK YOU!!!

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

It is time to update our church directory! If your address, phone numbers, or email address, have changed, please send an email to the church office so we have current information (fpcinovoffice@gmail.com). Or, complete a Church Data Profile Changes & Corrections form, which is at the Sign-Up Station. You may place the completed form in the offering plate, or at the church office. The deadline is **Sunday, November 24**.

YOUTH NEWS

November 17, Anchored Youth Group will meet at Pine Cones Ice Cream Parlor at 1:00 p.m. for ice cream and an afternoon at Liberty Park.

Julia Jones is a student at Lecanto High School and she is on the swim team. The Lecanto High School swimming and diving teams had a strong showing at Regionals last week. She, along with her team, won state for swimming the 200- and 400-Free Relays! We are so proud of her!

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, November 10, 2024

Lori Wolford is preaching at First Presbyterian Church of Zephyrhills

- 9:00 Adult Sunday School - Library
- 9:00 Men's Bible Discussion—Parlor
- 10:00 Sunday School-Children – CE Wing
- 10:00 Worship Service
- 11:00 Fellowship Dinner - FH
- 6:00 Anchored Youth Group

Monday, November 11, 2024

Veterans Day
Church Closed

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

- *9:00 Blessings
- 10:00 Prayer Gathering – Parlor
- 11:00 Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

- *9:00 Blessings
- 9:00 Staff Meeting
- 10:00 Coffee & Conversation - FH

Thursday, November 14, 2024

- *9:00 Blessings
- 10:00 Thursday Bible Study – FH
- 11:00 Fellowship Committee - Library
- 4:30 – 6:00 Raise the Roof Festival Singers Rehearsal
- 6:00 GenX Night Out

Friday, November 15, 2024

Saturday, November 16, 2024

- *8:30 – 3:00 Relief Share - FH
- *10:00 – 11:30 CCCC Rehearsal – Sanctuary

Sunday, November 17, 2024

- 9:00 Adult Sunday School - Library
- 9:00 Men's Bible Discussion—Parlor
- 9:30 Special Called Session Meeting
- 10:00 Sunday School-Children – CE Wing
- 10:00 Worship Service
- 3:00 Raise the Roof Festival Singers Concert
- 6:00 Anchored Youth Group – Ice Cream at Liberty Park

*Outside Groups

** FH = Fellowship Hall

A SPECIAL

Thank You

TO THOSE SERVING TODAY

Ushers

Terrie Christoffers
Martha Coughlin

Ask Me Desk

Ray & Caryl Birstler



Stewardship
Sunday