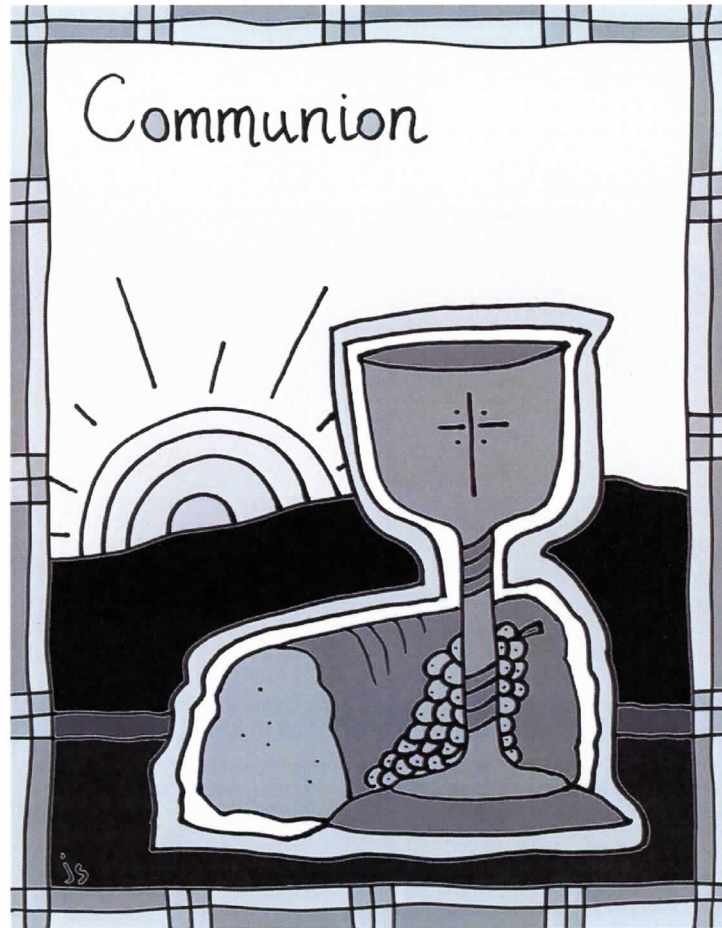


First Presbyterian Church of Inverness
February 2, 2025
Communion Sunday



Welcome

Prelude

Dr. Marina Veiler

Introit

The Holy City

Emily Reisdorf
Clarinet

Opening Prayer

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 70:1-6

In you, O Lord, we take refuge; let us never be put to shame. ² In your righteousness deliver us and rescue us; incline your ear to us and save us. ³ Be to us a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save us, for you are our rock and our fortress.

⁴ **Rescue us, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel. For you, O Lord, are our hope, our trust, O Lord, from our youth. ⁶ Upon you we have leaned from our birth; it was you who took us from our mothers' womb. Our praise is continually of you. Amen.**

*Hymn #395

Blessed Jesus, At Your Word

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at your word we have come a -
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
3 Glo - rious Lord, your - self im - part, Light of Light, from
gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
dark - ness shroud - ed, till your Spir - it breaks our night,
God pro - ceed - ing. Touch our lips and ears and heart;
and in glow - ing faith be near you. By your gos - pel
fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and
help us by your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry your
true and ho - ly, teach us, Lord, to love you sole - ly.
all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.
church now rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

***Confession and Pardon**

Grace-granting God, we confess we do not always like what you teach us. We can react quickly with anger and refuse to hear your Word. We blame the messengers for their challenging words, even those reading from your Word, rather than look to ourselves. We do not like to be told we need to change, that we are not perfect, that we have no need for confession or repentance. Forgive us and help us to hear, even when your word makes us uncomfortable. In Christ we pray, Amen.

***Passing Christ's Peace**

***Gloria #583**

Glory to God

Children's Message

Lori Wolford

Anthem

Panis Angelicus

Emily Reisdorf
Clarinet

Prayer for Illumination

Epistle Lesson

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Gospel Lesson

Luke 4:21-30

Sermon

Sticks and Stones

Rev. Lou Ellen Hartley

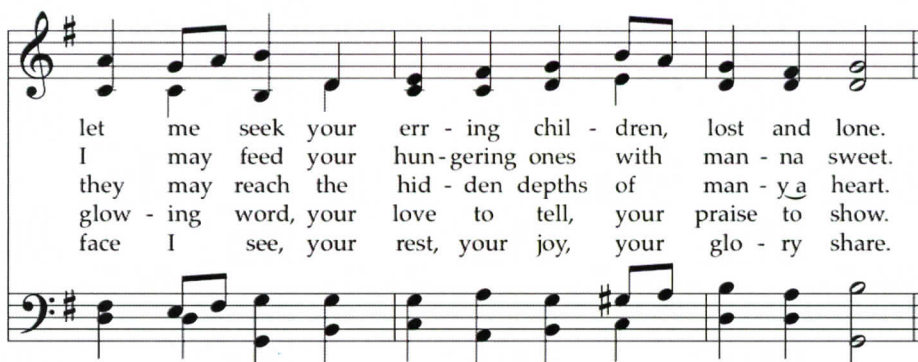
Hymn of Preparation #722 *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak*



1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak in liv - ing
2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wan - dering
3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the pre - cious
4 O fill me with your full - ness, Lord, un - til my
5 O use me, Lord, use e - ven me, just as you



ech - oes of your tone. As you have sought, so
and the wa - vering feet. O feed me, Lord, that
truths which you im - part. And wing my words that
ver - y heart o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and
will, and when, and where un - til your bless - ed



let me seek your err - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
I may feed your hun - gering ones with man - na sweet.
they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.
glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.
face I see, your rest, your joy, your glo - ry share.

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

***Hymn #543**

God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
2 Bind to my-self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness-
3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light-ning,
4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to
5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

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Church Office Hours

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

Closed on Friday

Our Elders

Class of 2025: Jerry Reynolds, Leah Robinson, Keith Spong

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

Class of 2027: Caryl Birstler, Clark Stillwell, Lynnette Strickland

Our Deacons

Class of 2025: Pedro Fuentes, Amanda Morrison, Toni Scott

Class of 2026: Ray Birstler, Donna Dublo

Class of 2027: Terri Christoffers, Jacob Gleason, Ron Shafer

WORSHIP FLOWERS

In loving memory of John M. Henderson, Jr.

Maxine Henderson

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

Parlor

Rev. Dr. Mark Scott

Adult Sunday School

Library

Lori Wolford

Secondary/Youth Group (6-12)

CE Hall, Room 5

Ms. Lori, Mr. Ron

5:30 p.m.

GATHERED UP SERVICE TONIGHT

We are thrilled to announce, "GATHERED UP!", our new casual, alternative worship service to begin tonight, **Sunday, February 2, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.** "GATHERED UP" is open to all members of our community who may be searching for a church home or seeking a worship experience that is different than a traditional service. Emphasizing interactivity, this service aims to create a dynamic and engaging environment for worshippers of all backgrounds and ages.

Following a 30-minute service, we will enjoy a free light dinner to foster fellowship, connection, and community. Child care will be provided for our little ones. After dinner, there will be a youth group meeting for middle and high school-aged students, providing a space for our younger members to connect and grow in their faith.

SOUPER BOWL MISSION KICK-OFF

The Vital Congregations Committee is pleased to announce the kick-off of our Annual **Souper Bowl Mission!** Join the fun as two teams battle for bragging rights on donating the most food to feed the hungry in our community. We will be collecting nonperishable food for Citrus United Basket (CUB). There is a 'football stadium' table in the narthex through Sunday, February 9th. Please donate as you feel called.

THANK YOU

We are grateful for the wonderful First Presbyterian team that helped us host a lovely birthday party for our mom. Barbara Dee has been blessed by your fellowship for years! Thanks especially, to Laura, Leah, Danny, Ron, and Gary. All so very helpful before, during and after. And we appreciated the kind words from Pastor Lou Ellen. Blessing to all! The "Cawley Girls", Sandy, Calleen and Nancy

NEW CRAFT GROUP

Do you have a craft that you enjoy? Would you like to learn a craft from others? Would you like to gather with old friends and make new friends? Please join us for our gathering of a weekly craft group in the Youth Room (in the Sunday School wing). Join us on **Thursdays, from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, February 2, 2025

Communion Sunday

- 9:00 Adult Sunday School-Library
- 9:00 Men's Bible Discussion-Parlor
- 10:00 Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 Children's Sunday School-CE Wing
- 5:30 Gathered Up Service – FH
- 5:30 Anchored

Monday, February 3, 2025

- 5:30 Boy Scouts

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

- *8:00 Blessings
- 10:00 Prayer Gathering – Parlor
- 11:00 Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 5:30 Session Meeting

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

- *8:00 Blessings
- 9:00 Staff Meeting
- 4:30 SET – Stumpknocker's – Downtown Inverness

Thursday, February 6, 2025

- 8:30 Blessings
- 12:00 – 3:00 Craft Group – Youth Room

Friday, February 7, 2025

Saturday, February 8, 2025

- 10:00 -11:30 CCCC Rehearsal – Sanctuary

Sunday, February 9, 2025

*Lori Wolford is preaching at Grace St. Mark's,
Spring Hill*

- 9:00 Adult Sunday School-Library
- 9:00 Men's Bible Discussion-Parlor
- 10:00 Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 Children's Sunday School-CE Wing
- 11:00 Worship Committee
- 5:30 Gathered Up Service – FH
- 5:30 Anchored

*Outside Group

FH = Fellowship Hall

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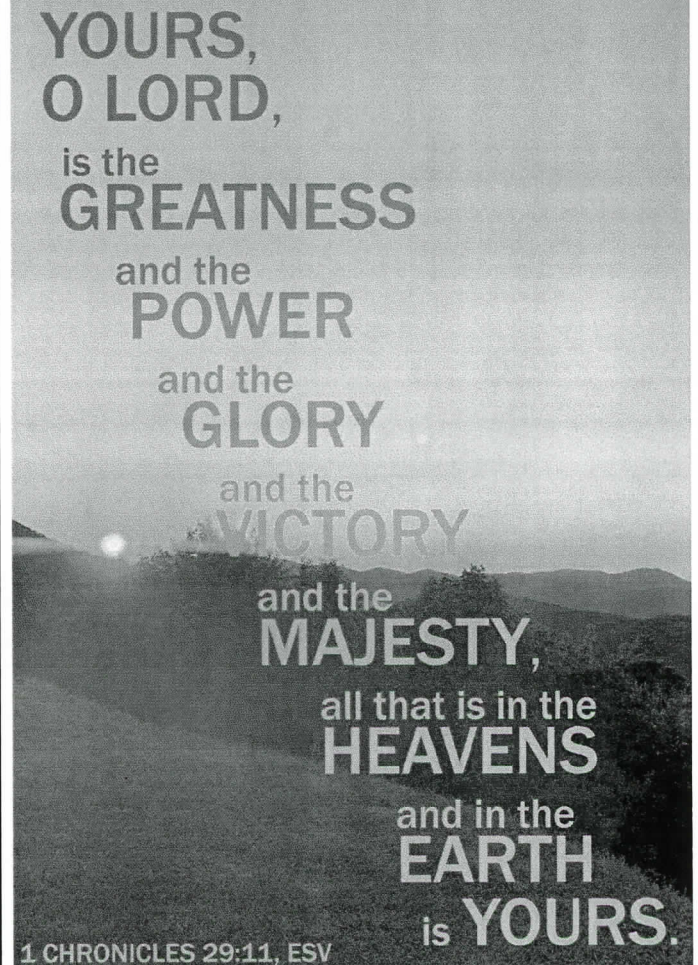
Thank You

TO THOSE SERVING TODAY

Ushers

*Terrie Christoffers
Sally McKeinzie*

Ask Me Desk





This is the day the

Lord

has made;

let us

rejoice

and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24