

# First Presbyterian Church

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia  
Evening Worship in Word & Sacrament  
The Lord's Day | June 21, 2026 | 6 o'clock  
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## THE SESSION

Nathan Bowers, Clerk  
Wil Davis

## THE DIACONATE

Bob Keller, Chairman  
Bill Henshall

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
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THE HYMN SING (5:50 P.M.)

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP ..... Psalm 148:1-2

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts!

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE No. 112..... "Praise Ye, Praise Ye the Lord"

\*THE INVOCATION

\*THE LAW OF GOD..... Mark 8:34-37

And calling the crowd to Him with His disciples, He said to them, "If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul?"

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious and loving God, we come before You acknowledging our deep need for mercy. Jesus calls us to deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow Him, but we confess that our hearts often cling to our own comfort, control, and desires. We have sought to save our lives instead of losing them for Your sake and the gospel. We have pursued the approval of others, spent our energy gaining temporary treasures, and

have often failed to carry the cross of Christ. Forgive us for our misplaced priorities. We have traded the eternal value of our souls for fleeting worldly gain. Lord, break our attachment to the things that do not last. Soften our hearts to the sacrifice and calling of Jesus. Give us the grace to deny our selfishness and the courage to take up our cross daily. Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit, that we might truly trust and follow You. Remind us that in losing our lives for You, we find our truest and most abundant life. We ask in Christ's Name. Amen.

THE SILENT CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON .....John 10:11-15 & 27-29

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

THE HYMN No. 599..... "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

THE SERMON ..... Rev. Jim Richter

“The Lord Our Shepherd” | Psalm 23 | Pg. 428

\*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 87 .... .. "The Lord's My Shepherd"

WE COMMUNE WITH CHRIST BY FAITH  
THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION  
THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION  
THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS  
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING No. 431....."A Parting Hymn We Sing"

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE RESPONSE No. 733....."The Doxology