

IN OUR PRAYERS

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP, PRAYER, SERVICE & WORSHIP

Recurring Events	Special Events
Mondays 1:00-4:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)	Wednesday, July 23 12:00 p.m. Book Talk (P)
Tuesdays 1:00-6:00 p.m. Lisa’s Music Studio (S) Strings of Distinction (SR)	Sunday July 27 9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday Fun-day (FH) 10:45 a.m. Fruit of the Spirit Sermon Series “Peace, Patience, and Kindness”
Wednesdays 10:15 a.m. Holy Grounds (P) 11:00 a.m. PW Wednesdays (D/FH/P) 1:00-5:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR) 5:32 p.m. ‘Changed’ Youth Group (FH)	Sunday August 3 9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday Fun-day (FH) 10:45 a.m. Fruit of the Spirit Sermon Series “Generosity and Faithfulness”
Thursdays 11:00-5:00 p.m. Lisa’s Music Studio (S) 1:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR) 4:30 P.M. Choir Rehearsal (MR)	Tuesday, August 5 PEO Meeting (FH)
Fridays Lisa’s Music Studio (S)	Sunday August 10 9:30 a.m. Summer Sunday Fun-day (FH) 10:45 a.m. Fruit of the Spirit Sermon Series “Gentleness and Self-Control”
Saturdays 10:00 a.m. Brunch on Noble (FH) Lisa’s Music Studio (S)	Church Office Hours: 8:30-4:30 Monday – Thursday
Sundays 9:30 a.m. Handbells (D) 9:45 a.m. Sunday School (D) 10:45 a.m. Worship Service & Communion on 1st Sunday	D = Downstairs FH = Fellowship Hall L = Library MR = Music Room P = Parlor S = Sanctuary SR = Sunshine Room U = Upstairs
Leading in Worship Today	
Jan Bugby, Liturgist Ed Bugby and Mike Morris, Sound/Video Robin Ross, Ushers	Lisa Hoel, Music Minister Rev. Katrina Richardson, Minister Rev. Dr. Matthew Pereira, Guest Minister

Mission Statement

Setting a Welcome Table Since 1889

First United Presbyterian Church of Guthrie is a caring family of Christians
striving to bring individuals closer to God through worship, education, fellowship, and service.

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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Order of Divine Worship for the Lord’s Day
6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 20, 2025



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Welcome! Children of all ages are always welcome in worship–activity bags are available in the narthex.
Please silence all electronic devices. Personal hearing assistance devices are available; please ask your
ushers for assistance. Restrooms are located in the narthex.

—GATHERING—

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

“Softly and Tenderly” - Dale Wood

Lisa Hoel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We remember who we are:
All: We are the body of Christ.
One: We remember whose we are:
All: We are God’s beloved children.
One: We remember our chief purpose:
All: To glorify and enjoy God forever.
One: Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE: (Purple) # 611

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we are pulled in many different directions. We are distracted by our fears. We fear the loss of health, safety, and financial security. Instead of proclaiming your abundance, we operate from a mindset of scarcity. We are distracted by our tasks, by calendars that shape our priorities, leaving us with less time and energy for what is most important. We confess our distraction, even as we acknowledge that sometimes we embrace it because it's easier than sitting at Jesus's feet, learning what it means to follow him. We confess that distraction is easier than discipleship. Forgive us. Help us discern and choose the better path as we seek to follow Christ, in whose name we pray.
(Silent prayer of confession) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MOMENT FOR MISSION

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERING OF MUSIC: "What Wondrous Love Is This" - Alex Zsolt (piano solo) Lisa Hoel

*DOXOLOGY #815

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

—THE WORD —

SONG OF ILLUMINATION: #765 "Song of Hope"
May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING Galatians 5:16-26

INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 13:4-8
GOSPEL READING John 15:1-12, 16

SERMON Rev. Katrina Richardson

*HYMN: (Purple) #349 "O How, He Loves You and Me"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Declaration of Faith
We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God's reality and rule.
Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time.
It is part of our discipline to observe a day of worship and rest, setting aside our own working to enjoy God's work, celebrating with our family in Christ the Lord's goodness.
We need constantly to search out God's way in Scripture, not expecting detailed directions for every decision, but relying on the Word to tell us who God is, to press God's present claim on us, and to assure us of God's grace and comfort.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH/THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

—OUR RESPONSE—

*CLOSING HYMN: (Purple) #821 "How Can I Keep from Singing?"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
And the children of God said:
Alleluia! Amen!

POSTLUDE: "I Need Thee Every Hour" - Dale Wood Lisa Hoel

*Please stand as you are able.