

WELCOME TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF BISMARCK, ND



November 9, 2025

10:00a.m. Service

Our Mission

We are a community called to love God through worship and prayer, receiving and serving our neighbors with the compassion of Christ, open to new beginnings and the spiritual growth of children, youth and adults.

WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS THIS MORNING AND
INVITE YOU TO MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME!



PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN US FOR
COFFEE HOUR FOLLOWING WORSHIP.

“Sock It To Me Sunday” – November 16th

Back by popular demand: Sock-It-To-Me Sunday!
On **Sunday, November 16**, the youth will be collecting socks tossed to them during the Children’s Sermon. Socks from infant to adult sizes for both male and female are appreciated. The socks will be distributed to various agencies during Homelessness Awareness Week, November 16-22. Let’s make this a super fun event to help our community have warm feet this fall and winter.



St. Andrew’s Day Service

First Presbyterian Church of Bismarck

First Presbyterian Church of Mandan

Glencoe Sloan Memorial Presbyterian Church



10:30am November 23, 2025

First Presbyterian Church of Mandan is hosting this year!
(310 3rd Ave NW - Mandan)



“The Thanksgiving Banquet”

Thursday, November 27, 2025 4:00pm

The Dream Center

Volunteers needed to serve on Thanksgiving Day
(2:30-7:30pm on November 27)
sign-up sheet is on the volunteer bulletin board!

(*Asterisks indicate that all who are able are requested to stand,
bold texts are to be read in unison)

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship (responsively) from Psalm 145**

One: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; God's greatness is unsearchable.

**Many: We will extol our God and King. Every day we will
bless and praise God's name forever and ever!**

One: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in constant, unwavering love.

Many: Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord, and all creation will bless God's holy name forever and ever.

One: Let us lift our hearts in praise!

Gathering in God's Name

***Opening Hymn** *“All Creatures of Our God and King”*
(verses 1-2, 5-6) William H. Draper, Ralph V. Williams

Choral Call to Confession “Come and Fill Our Hearts”
lyrics: Jacques Berthier

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!

Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God, we confess our daily sins—each of us and all of us in common: a word sharply spoken, praise withheld, an embrace not given, the hurt we cause, the envy felt, the self indulged, the need neglected. Receive us now, broken, and so very sorry, wishing it were otherwise. Enfold us in your arms of love and forgiveness, and restore a new spirit within us. Let your →

name be magnified, let Christ be glorified, let the Holy Spirit be intensified, in our hearts and on our lips, this day and always; and as we humbly prepare for the Sacrament, in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. (Silent, individual confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, in Jesus Christ we are cleansed, we are healed, we are built up again, and are made whole. In Christ we are completely forgiven.

Many: We gladly and gratefully come to the Table accepting this forgiveness – and rejoicing. Let us also, always, forgive one another. Amen.

***Gloria Patri and Passing of the Peace of Christ**

Young Disciples Message

***Prayer of Gratitude for the Grace of Giving**

***Doxology and Dedication of Gifts**

Proclamation of the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, 1

Anthem

“Canon of Praise”

Johann Pachelbel,
arr. Hal Hopson

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:12

Sermon

“Continuity, Wholeness, Eternity”

Rev. David Reiter

Communion Hymn

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

Omer Westendorf, Robert E. Kreutz

Celebrating the Feast of the Lord

Confession of Our Faith: “The Apostles Creed” (Traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and I Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost. Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand —→

of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body' the life everlasting. Amen

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Sharing the Feast Together

Prayer after Communion

Responding to God's Word

***Closing Hymn**

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

Edward Mote, William B. Bradbury

Sending Forth in God's Name

Benediction and Blessing

Benediction Response

"Haleluya! Pelo Tso Rona" South African

Postlude

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Erneuerten Gesangbuch

Worship Participants:

Rev. David Reiter, Pastor

Debi Rogers, Chancel Choir dir.

Andrea Nguyen, Keyboards

Mark Jensen, Youth Ministry dir.

Karmen Svihovec, Lay Reader

Josh Stokka, Audio/Visual Specialist

Allen Hoberg, Tom & Rose Trenbeath, Don Bigwood, Tedd &

Ella Gutzke ~ Ushers

Today, November 9th following worship

Brief Session meeting to examine Class of 2027 officers!

Please stay for this quick meeting!

First Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, 1

There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:

- 2 a time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to uproot,
- 3 a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to tear down and a time to build,
- 4 a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and a time to dance,
- 5 a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
- 6 a time to search and a time to give up,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
- 7 a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
- 8 a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.

There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens.

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:12

¹² In everything, do to others as you would have them do to you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

If you are interested in supporting Pastor Leanne during her extended stay in Rochester - though not associated with the church gifts can be made by: picking up an informational card in the church office or contacting Donna Richter.

Please let me know if you would like access to Leanne's Caring Bridge site -
call 223-6091 or email firstpresbyterian@fpcbismarck.com
Thank you for your support, Maureen

Calendar

- Mon., Nov., 10 - **Noon** Building Task Force Meeting
6:30pm Scouts
- Tue., Nov., 11 - **11am** Strength & Balance Class
5:30pm AA meeting (room #201)
- Wed., Nov., 12 - **5:45pm** PAC/Teens
6:30pm Westminster Chimes
7:30pm Chancel Choir
- Thu., Nov., 13 - **11am** Strength & Balance Class
2:00pm Yoga
- Fri., Nov., 14 - *No Activities Scheduled*
- Sat., Nov., 15 - *No Activities Scheduled*
- Sun., Nov., 16 - **10:00am** Worship - Sock-it-to-me Sunday!



GOD IS GOOD, **ALL THE TIME.**
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Hospitality Committee: Supporting Heaven's Helpers Closet (701)

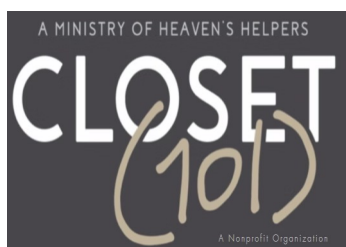
The Hospitality Committee's November donation opportunity is a request for clean gently used or pre-washed new jeans for Heaven's Helpers Closet (701).

Heaven's Helpers Closet is a non-profit ministry that operates under the umbrella of Heaven's Helpers Soup Café by providing free clothing to individuals and families who are struggling to meet their basic needs.

They offer a wide variety of clothing and provide a dignified shopping experience for those in need to select essential items free of charge.

Jeans are always in high demand with men's and boy's jeans being the greatest need. Donations of clean gently used or

pre-washed new jeans in any size for adults and children can be placed in the donation box in the church narthex. Every pair truly makes a difference.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

- Nov. 16** **Sock-It-To-Me Sunday!**
- Nov. 23** **St. Andrew's Sunday at FPC Mandan**
(310 3rd Ave NW- Mandan)
- Nov. 27 & 28** **FPC OFFICES CLOSED**
Happy Thanksgiving!
- Nov. 30** **1st Sunday of Advent**
Scouts will deliver wreaths! 
- Dec. 6** **9:30-11:30am "Breakfast with Santa"**
- Dec. 14** **Joyous Music Sunday** 
- Dec. 16** **Noon– Blue Christmas Service**
- Dec. 21** **Children's Christmas Program**
"Red & Green Potluck" sign-up
sheet is on the volunteer bulletin board
- Dec. 24** **4:30pm Christmas Eve (early service)**
9:00pm Christmas Eve (late service)
Communion
- Dec. 24 & 25 FPC OFFICES CLOSED**
Merry Christmas!



We are so grateful for all the blessings God has given us!
We no longer pass the offering plates, our offering baskets are next to the exits of the Sanctuary. If you would like to give a donation to the ministry of this church you can also go to our website: fpcbismarck.com and click on the DONATE button. Thank you!

