

WELCOME TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF BISMARCK, ND



September 28, 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.

Veterans' Day - November 11th

I will be running the Veteran's Slide Show please feel free to send me any pictures you would like added.

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Or drop by the office to have them scanned!



“The Banquet”

Thursday, October 9, 2025 4:00pm

The Dream Center

sign-up sheet is on the volunteer bulletin board

**PLEASE FILL OUT YOUR “PINK PRAYER REQUEST CARDS”
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, THE USHERS WILL COLLECT THEM DURING
THE OPENING HYMN. THANK YOU!**

“Staff Appreciation Sunday” 10:00am

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

Prelude

“Simple Gifts”

Joseph Brackett, Jr.
arr. Bill Ingram

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

“He Who Began a Good Work in You”

Jon Mohr

***Call to Worship (responsively)**

L: Come, and rejoice, for God is present, passing out gifts of grace to all who love him.

**P: God has promised to supply all we need for life and faith.
God’s promises never fail.**

L: In this hour, we yield our fears and concerns to God’s control.

**P: We sing, worship, speak, and listen for the spirit of God to
reveal God’s love!**

**All: Let us rejoice, for God is present, passing out gifts of
grace to all who love him.**

Gathering in God’s Name

***Opening Hymn**

“I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry”

John C. Ylvisaker

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)

Loving God,

**All too often we feel that our hard work accomplishes nothing.
We pour our passion and diligence into efforts that only
produce long-term benefits, so there is no immediate reward
for trying. Sometimes, we feel unnoticed, unappreciated.
Other times we are overwhelmed at the enormity of the
world’s needs and the demands placed upon us.** →

And yet, we keep going. Bless us, we pray, with rest when we need it, laughter when it heals us, support when we get tired, inspiration when we seek for purpose. Correct us when we allow discouragement to dampen our spirits, and supply us with your grace for our work in you. (Silent, Individual, Confession) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri and Passing of the Peace of Christ** PH #579

Young Disciples Message

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

***Doxology and Dedication of Gifts** PH #592

Proclamation of the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading *Philippians 1: 3-11*

Anthem “Alleluia, Praise!”
Luigi Cherubini, arr. Wagner

Sermon “Right to Feel This Way”

PRESENTATION OF STAFF RECOGNITION

CARMEN BRYHN	MAUREEN CHREST
ERIK HEIN JR.	ERIK HEIN SR.
LAEL HOERAUF	MARK JENSEN
RUTH JENSEN	MARY JONES
JUDY LENTZ	LACI RAUSER
DEBI ROGERS	PASTOR LEANNE
CONNOR SVIHOVEC	ARVY SMITH
CAROL THOMPSON	VANESSA HEIN
SHAWN STETTNER	ANDREA NGUYEN
GAIL SNUSTAD	JOSH STOKKA

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Responding to God’s Word

***Closing Hymn** “More Love to Thee, O Christ” E.P. Prentiss,
and W.H. Doane

Sending Forth in God's Name

Benediction and Blessing

Benediction Response “Be Thou My Vision” arr. Bill Ingram

Postlude “Sunshine and Joy Medley”
(Sunshine in My Soul/I've Got the Joy) arr. Mark Hayes

TODAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH

**Scout Troop #6 is taking orders
for Christmas Wreaths**
before & after worship



Worship Participants:

Rev. Dr. Leanne Simmons, Pastor
Debi Rogers, Chancel Choir dir.
Lael Hoerauf, Westminster Chimes dir.
Gail Snustad, Keyboards
Mark Jensen, Youth Ministry dir.
Barb Satran, Lay Reader
Josh Stokka, Audio/Visual Specialist
Vic Sonneman, Lori & Rick Lee, Neva & Ron Carlisle,
and Becky Rosenkranz ~ Ushers

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Oct. 1: Noon - Munch & Mingle at Red Lobster!

Oct. 5: World Communion Day

Peace & Global Witness Offering

Congregational Meeting to elect Class of 2027 Officers

Oct. 12: Consecration Sunday - followed by lunch
9:00-10:00am ONLY Blood Pressure Clinic

Oct. 19: 4:00-7:00pm Pancake Supper at Glencoe

Oct. 26: Reformation Sunday

Scripture Reading

Philippians 1: 3-11

³ I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

⁷ It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. ⁸ God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

⁹ And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, ¹⁰ so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

Thank You for your response to the One Call Now System, and for confirming your information in the directory!!

REMINDER:

Please review the FPC directory,
and let me know of any corrections!!

Review your information in the church directory and let us know if you have any changes. If your phone number is not in the directory and you want to receive urgent updates or church closing information, call the Church Office. Your phone number can be added to One Call Now without being published in the Church Directory.

call church office 223-6091 or

email: firstpresbyterian@fpcbismarck.com

Sunday, October 5th following worship
Congregational meeting to elect Class of 2027 officers!
Please stay for this quick meeting!

September Donation Opportunity

During September our congregation has the opportunity to help fill these backpacks. All donations are delivered to the Community Action agency which packs and distributes the bags to over 1300 students in need every other week. (United Way provides backpacks on the alternate weeks.) Please consider donating kid-friendly items such as:

Cereal

Granola and yogurt bars

Fruit cups

Applesauce

Pudding

Canned dinners

Peanut butter

Jelly



Munch & Mingle!

Red Lobster (1130 E Century Ave.)

**12pm - Red Lobster – corner of
Century Blvd. & Gateway Mall**

Wed., October 1, 2025!



Potluck at Papa's Pumpkin Patch **Saturday, October 11th**

12:30pm-2:30pm
(shelter #1)



**Please bring a dish to share - sign-up sheet is on the
volunteer bulletin board!**

FPC will pay your admission at the front gate!

Calendar

Mon., Sept., 29 -	6:30pm Scouts
Tue., Sept., 30 -	11am Strength & Balance Class 5:30pm AA meeting (room #201)
Wed., Oct., 1 -	Noon Munch & Mingle - Red Lobster 5:45pm PAC/Teens 6:30pm Westminster Chimes 7:30pm Chancel Choir
Thu., Oct., 2 -	11am Strength & Balance Class 2:00pm Yoga
Fri., Oct., 3 -	<i>No Activities Scheduled</i>
Sat., Oct., 4 -	<i>No Activities Scheduled</i>
Sun., Oct., 5 -	10:00am Worship - communion Congregational Meeting following worship elect Class of 2027 officers



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!

