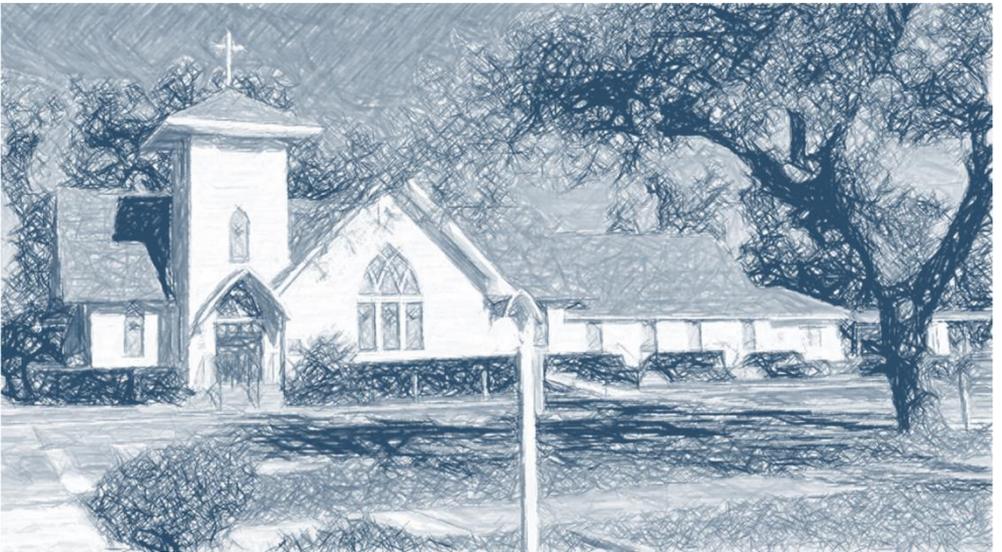




FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*of Lynn Haven*



MORNING WORSHIP

24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**November 7, 2021**

**10:00 AM**

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY  
LENT | EASTER | **PENTECOST**



**Welcome to all who gather to worship this day!** It is our hope that you feel the warmth of God's presence and welcome here. If this is your first time joining us, we are honored by your presence and hope to see you again soon! To stay informed, scan the QR code or visit [www.firstchurchlh.org](http://www.firstchurchlh.org) and subscribe to our weekly email.

## - About the Service -

**Each worship service is filmed for later access on Facebook and our church web site. Please refrain from loud conversation once the Prelude begins!**

*The single chime and Prelude call us to silent, prayerful preparation for worship. Please refrain from loud conversation during the Prelude.*

*The People's words are in **bold text**. \*Indicates that the congregation may rise.*

*Offering plates are in the Narthex (sanctuary entrance) before and after worship.*



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*a member congregation of:*

The Presbytery of Florida,  
The Synod of South Atlantic, and  
The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

*The Session (spiritual leaders of the church):*

Moderator: **The Rev. Lisa Martin**

Clerk of Session: **Rosa Stanley**

Class Of 2021: **Marcia Burden, Steve Gabbard**

Class Of 2022: **Rich Kangas, Nancy Mills, Wanda Wallace**

Class Of 2023: **Huey Hayes, Ann Fyfe**

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# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

## PRELUDE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Laurel Hunt Pedersen

## CHIMING THE HOUR

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 146)

*Let us praise the Lord our whole life long!*

**We will sing praises to God as long as we live!**

*Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God.*

**This is the God who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who gives food to the hungry.**

*This is the Lord who opens the eyes of the blind; lifts up those who are bowed down; watches over the strangers; upholds the orphan and with widow.*

**Today we worship and adore the Lord our God!**

### \*OPENING PRAYER

God of all creation, we give you thanks for providing help when we need it. Surely our hope is in you! By your Spirit, allow us the privilege to recognize the presence of the risen Christ as we worship this day, so that we may rededicate our lives to joyful worship and service. In his name we pray, Amen.

## SONGS OF PRAISE & WORSHIP

“You Are My All in All”

Dennis Jernigan

“While We are Waiting, Come” (instrumental)

WAITING

“Lord, Prepare Me (Sanctuary)”

Keith Thompson/Randy Scruggs

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, Pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living, Sanctuary for You*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, in Jesus our great high priest you provide all that we need as your redeemed people. Yet we neglect to give you thanks and praise. We would rather complain about our lack than rejoice in our abundance. Forgive us, we pray. Renew us by your Spirit so that we give a faithful witness to your love. Amen.

### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

# WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT Hebrews 9:24-28 (see back side fold)

MESSAGE

“While We Wait”

Rev. Lisa Martin

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*DECLARATION OF OUR FAITH (PCUSA)

God created human beings with a need for community and with freedom to enter into it by responding to their Maker with grateful obedience and to one another with love and helpfulness. We believe that we have been created to relate to God and each other in freedom and responsibility. We are bound to each other, made for communion with God and others, and so we must treat no one with contempt. We are to respect and love God, all people, and ourselves as well. This we believe, and this is our aim in faith.

RESPONSE

“While We are Waiting, Come”

WAITING

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION &  
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.

# WE DEPART TO SERVE THE RISEN LORD

\*HYMN

“Be Thou My Vision”

(see back side fold)

\*BENEDICTION & THREE-FOLD AMEN

DANISH

*Amen, Amen, Amen!*

\*POSTLUDE

“Standing on the Promises”

PROMISES, arr. Brad Thoreson

**NEW TESTAMENT    Hebrews 9:24-28**

<sup>24</sup> For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; <sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, <sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

**Be Thou My Vision**

(SLANE)

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;  
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;  
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

4 High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- November 7 -

**Today we celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion.** Everyone is welcome to the Table of Grace! Please pick up the elements of bread and juice from the Narthex and keep them at your seat during the service.

**Please join us for Coffee & Fellowship after worship!** If you'd like to sign up to provide simple snacks, please contact Marcia Burden or Wanda Wallace.

**Adult Christian Education Sunday began this morning.** You're invited to join Pastor Lisa each Sunday morning for a class on what it means to be part of the Presbyterian family of Reformed believers. *What exactly is a Presbyterian? What do we believe? What distinguishes us from other denominations?* We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall from 8:45-9:30 am, and trust me: the coffee will be ready! ☺

**The Presbyterian Women Circle of Mary meet this Wednesday** at 12noon in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited for lunch and lesson!

**Next Sunday, Nov. 14, 4 – 5 pm: Blessing of the Animals!** Our pets are family, too, and loved by God! Bring your fur babies to the paved parking lot for a special blessing next Sunday afternoon anytime between 4 and 5 pm. Let's celebrate "all creatures of our God and King"!

**It's Thanksgiving Feast time!** We'll enjoy our first meal together since March of 2020 on Sunday, 11/21, immediately following worship. Meat, potatoes, bread, dressing, green beans, and beverages are provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert if you'd like.

## Looking Ahead:

- **11/10** Presbyterian Women meeting and lunch, 12 pm
- **11/14** Blessing of the Animals, 4-5 pm
- **11/21** Thanksgiving Feast, following worship
- **11/28** 1st Sunday of Advent – **Hanging of the Greens**



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