



Harvest Blessings

First Presbyterian Church

Port Charlotte, FL



Sunday, November 23, 2025

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Thanksgiving Service/Reign of Christ

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God Calls Us to Worship



CHIMES, GREETING & PRELUDE

Come Ye Thankful People, Come

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

Give Thanks

EXCHANGE OF PEACE†

CALL TO WORSHIP†

One: Say among the nations, The Lord reigns.

All: Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

One: God comes to judge the earth.

All: God will judge the world with righteousness and the people with truth.

One: Come, let us worship God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Blessing and honour, glory and power be to our God now and always.

OPENING HYMN†

#790 We Gather Together

We Renew Our Relationship With God

PRAYER OF ADORATION

LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO CONFESSION



† Please stand in body or in spirit





PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Lord, we are quick to identify our enemies and slow to name the ways we hurt others. You lead us in the ways of righteousness, and yet we prefer to walk our own path. We are called to follow Your lead in creating a beloved community, yet we idolize wealth and power.

Heal us and help us, O God. Turn us from the ways of sin, the means that create unjust ends. Grant that we may seek to be for others what You are for us: a source of light on the way to peace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We Respond to God

MINOR DOXOLOGY†

#813 Glory Be To The Father

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING†

ANTHEM-CHANCEL CHOIR

We Are So Blessed

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

OFFERTORY

For the Beauty of the Earth

DOXOLOGY†

#815 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYER OF DEDICATION†

HYMN OF DEDICATION†

#817 O Bless The Gifts



God Speaks to Us



SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 23:33-43 (NRSVue)

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

³⁴ Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!”

³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine
³⁷ and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”

³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?”

⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.”

⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.”

⁴³ He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HYMN FOR ILLUMINATION

#633 Open Our Eyes, Lord

THE PREACHED WORD

"Grace at the Last Breath"

God Sends Us Into the World

CLOSING HYMN†

#788 Now Thank We All Our God

COMMISSION & BENEDICTION†

SENDING HYMN†

#764 The Trees of the Field

Congregational Meeting



A Called Congregational Meeting will be held after service today, November 23rd, for the purpose of electing church officers.

We thank Mr. Rohlehr for serving as our Liturgist today.



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



BLESSED TREE
Invest in your future..

You're incapable of taking your wealth with you to the afterlife, but you can indeed have it greet you when you arrive.

November Blessing Tree
Please help us collect Thanksgiving Food for our Food Pantry community
See list on Blessing Tree sign for more details.



Prayer Group Wednesdays at 12 noon
Join us in a spiritual communion with God as we pray with Thanksgiving, adoration and confession



Decorating for Christmas

**Join us on Saturday,
November 29, 2025 at 1 PM**
to help fill our sanctuary with Christmas Decorations.



**Join us on December 16, 2025
at 5 PM to watch**
Christmas with *The Chosen*
with popcorn and drinks.

PRAYER LIST

Bernadine Allesee & Family	-	<i>strength & comfort</i>
Ray & Eric Bittinger	-	<i>health & strength</i>
Hazel & Jerry Brown	-	<i>health needs</i>
Carolyn & Charlie Brox	-	<i>health needs</i>
Barbara Edwards	-	<i>health needs</i>
Jean Heim	-	<i>health needs</i>
Marjorie Hill	-	<i>health needs</i>
Carolanne Hoehle	-	<i>health needs</i>
Senior Lee	-	<i>health needs</i>
Sue Littrell	-	<i>health needs</i>
Violet Logan/Green	-	<i>strength & comfort</i>
Richard Lund	-	<i>health needs</i>
Courtenay Mason	-	<i>health needs</i>
Brad Messick	-	<i>health needs</i>
Louis Miceli	-	<i>health needs</i>
George Mothershed	-	<i>health needs</i>
Nancy Newport	-	<i>health needs</i>
Julie Nunez	-	<i>health needs</i>
Valciana Officer	-	<i>health needs</i>
Ray Omar	-	<i>health needs</i>
Holly Parkin	-	<i>health needs</i>
Deb Phelp's family	-	<i>strength & comfort</i>
Mavis Powell	-	<i>health & comfort</i>
Bernardo Vieira	-	<i>health needs</i>
Debbie Webb	-	<i>health needs</i>
Danny Webb	-	<i>strength needs</i>

FPCPC FAMILY -

If you know of any shut-ins or anyone who may need our prayers,
please call the church office at 941-625-5045.



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ELDERS

CLASS OF 2025	CLASS OF 2026	CLASS OF 2027
Cathy Asaro	Amy Rupert	Sandy Asaro
Joan Hawkins	Nancy Sharpless	Toni Madej
Alzie Lee	Donna Young	Claudette McLennon

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2025	CLASS OF 2026	CLASS OF 2027
Hazel Mason	Carol Dunkak-Dunekirchen	Holly Parkin
Carolyn Brox	Carol McLennon	Patricia Bevens
—	Norma Campbell	Veronica Walters



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