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Presbyterian Church

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August 2nd, 2026
"Fear the Lord"
Rev. Michael Barton

6th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM **August 2nd, 2026**

6 I call on you, my God, for you will answer me; turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.
7 Show me the wonders of your great love, you who save by your right hand those who take refuge in you from their foes. **Psalm 17:6-7**

PRELUDE **Debbe Picerno**

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 25:4-5)
L: Show us Your ways, Lord, and teach us Your paths.
P: Guide us in Your truth and teach us, for You are our God and Savior.
L: We place our hope in You all day long.
P: We come to worship the Lord, trusting Him to lead us each stop of the way.
All: Let us seek God first and faithfully follow wherever He leads.

***OPENING PRAYER**
***HYMN** **"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"** **No. 682**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
Gracious God, Gracious God, we confess that we often place our plans and worries before You. Forgive us for failing to trust You and instead depend upon ourselves and our own understanding. Teach us to follow You faithfully each day. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**
L: Believe the good news of the Gospel
P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***CONFESSION RESPONSE:** **"Gloria Patri"**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY **"Wonderful Words of Life"** **By: Quartet**
Peg Morrison, Susan Mossgrove, Mike Sanderson, & Les Freehling

***OFFERING RESPONSE:** **"Doxology"**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON **Matthew 6:31-34**

ANTHEM **"Redeemed"** **By: Quartet**
Peg Morrison, Susan Mossgrove, Mike Sanderson, & Les Freehling

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalm 128**

SERMON **"Fear the Lord"** **Rev. Michael Barton**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

***HYMN** **"Come Share the Lord"** **No. 462**

COMMUNION

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN** **"Be Thou My Vision"** **No. 562**

POSTLUDE **Debbe Picerno**

***Those who are able please stand.**

Liturgist: Autumn Moore **Greeters: Jim & Cathy Woller**
Welcome Desk: Pat Lazare **Fellowship Hour: Cathy Woller**

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday:	**10 AM**	**Worship & Communion**
Tuesday:	**1 PM**	**Quilting**
Saturday:	**9 AM**	**Men's Breakfast @ Mac's Café**
Sunday:	**10 AM**	**Worship**
	11:15 AM	**Deacon's Meeting**

MANSE PROJECT UPDATE: We are pleased to share that because of your incredible generosity, we have successfully met the matching gift challenge of $25,000. Although additional gifts will not be matched they will have a significant impact on reducing our loan burden. Thank you for your faithful support and your investment in our church's future.

GRATEFUL HEARTS- Join us for a fun evening of fellowship at our Women's Dessert & Game Night on Thursday, August 20th at 6 PM in McCaslin Hall. We'll enjoy coffee, delicious desserts, a devotion, and we will reveal our fall bible study. Please bring a small dessert to share. Signup sheets are available in the fellowship room.

FISHBONE DINNER- Our next Fishbone dinner will be Sunday, August 30th and we are planning an end of summer picnic for 40 adults and children who attend this ministry program. We will need volunteers to help serve and make food. There is a signup sheet in the fellowship room. Please see Vickie White for more information.

MEALS ON WHEELS- We will be providing desserts for the Meals on Wheels program on August 16th. There is a signup sheet in the fellowship room with more information.

CHURCH PICNIC- Join us on Sunday, August 23rd at 12 PM at the Slear's property. There is signup sheet for an approximate head count. The deacons will be providing the meat and you can sign up to bring a side, salad, or dessert.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY -We are in the planning stages of the Children's Christmas Pageant on December 6th. We are gauging interest with our families, open to K-8th grade. Please sign up near the office or see Laura or Debbe for more information. The deadline to sign up is August 9th.

SAVE THE DATE- All Church Retreat Sept 25th-27th at Camp Crestfield.