

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, September 12, 2021 Worship 10:00 a.m. - 28

Sunday Bible Study- 5

Wednesday Bible Study- 10



### PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

Thank you for prayerfully considering your gift to this special offering.

### Weekly Church Finances

Weekly contributions needed: \$2,280.00

Amount deposited for the week of September 12, 2021: \$2,058.00

The First Presbyterian Church Annual Budget is: \$118,296.00

### Scripture Readings for Sunday, September 26th, 2021

*Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29*

*Psalms 19:7-14*

*James 5:13-20*

*Mark 9:38-50*

*(Lay reader for 9.26.2021- Kay Kunkel)*

### COMING SOON

September 20th- Kristi will be out of the office!

September 21st- Deacon's Meeting 10:00 am (church library)

September 21st- Session Meeting 1:00 pm (Fellowship Hall)

September 22nd- Lectionary Bible Study 1:30 pm (Nursery)

September 22nd- First Day of Autumn

September 23rd- REDBUD NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

September 26th- 9:00 am Adult Bible Study (Library)

September 26th- 10:00 am Worship Service

September 29th- Lectionary Bible Study 1:30 pm (Nursery)

**FOOD BASKET:** Food items are always needed for the Mountain Home Food Basket. You may bring any non-perishable food items and place them in the baskets in the Narthex.



### Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes can be made now online!

Don't forget that the online shoebox building is available on our website [www.fpcmh.net](http://www.fpcmh.net) right now! It is very easy to do, and saves you the time of shopping, packing and sending your own shoebox.

The shoeboxes brought to or made at FPCMH will begin on October 1st!! Back to school bargains are everywhere on crayons, markers, pencils, small pencil sharpeners, solar calculators, scotch tape and many other needed items!

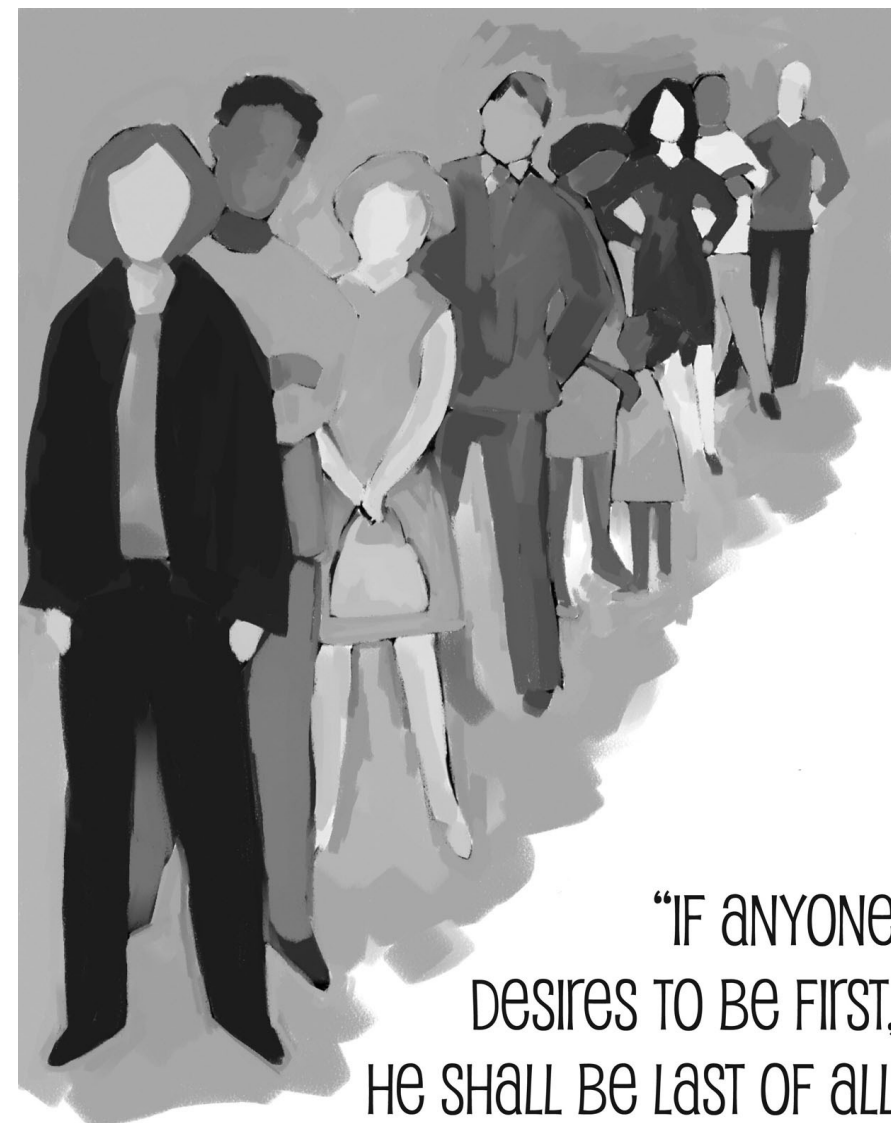
If you choose to donate \$25.00 to the church to have your shoebox made by a volunteer, please contact Mary Smith and put "Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes" on the memo line of your check.

*Hearing enhancement devices are available from our sound technician, Christopher Constantine. The portable headphones are located in the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary. It is important to us that you are able to hear the service, so please feel free to take advantage of this equipment*

### Mission Statement

**First Presbyterian Church  
Mountain Home, Arkansas**

**Our mission is to glorify God, reach out to people of all ages and in all levels of spiritual growth in worship, Christian education, music and fellowship. Trumpet the good news we share of God's love and forgiveness, of Jesus Christ and his gospel to people everywhere throughout the local church community and the world.**



**"IF ANYONE  
DESIRES TO BE FIRST,  
HE SHALL BE LAST OF ALL  
AND SERVANT OF ALL."**

MARK 9:35, NKJV

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September 19, 2021

17th Sunday after Pentecost

# Order of Worship

September 19, 2021

## THE PRELUDE “Lord, Speak to Me”

Schumman/Haan

*(This is a time for quiet meditation and preparation for worship.)*

## WELCOME Rev. Mike Clark

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Please share the peace of the Lord with one another.

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Mike Clark

Little children, the one who welcomes you is here in word and bread and wine. Little children, young and old, all the baptized: welcome to the place of hope. Little children, Jesus calls us all into the circle of his arms. Come.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY Rev. Mike Clark

*(Please stand, as able)*

**GATHERING HYMN** #426  
“Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”

*(Please be seated)*

**OLD TESTAMENT** *Jeremiah 11:18-20*  
Don Crapnell, Lay Reader

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

O God, who make known to us all truth, we confess that we are weighted down by our failings; envy distances us from other people; greed alerts us only to our own desires. Where we might bring reconciliation, we create conflicts. Where you call us to give, we take. Where your presence beckons, we resist. Deal with us not as we deserve, O God, but forgive us, cleanse us, and teach us your way. Amen. *(silent confession)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON Rev. Mike Clark

The God who loves and sustains you hears your plea. The Lord desires for you a welcome into the blessed community of freedom and light. You are forgiven.

Remember the poor and the outcast, welcome the child, and you will know, as well, your own welcome, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, Mother of all things, now and forever.

*(Please stand, as able)*

## THE GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

## PSALM 54 Don Crapnell, Lay Reader

## OUR OFFERINGS *(Please stand, as able)*

## THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.**

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON) Don Crapnell

**We thank you for the wealth you shower on us daily, O Lord, and we witness the marvelous goodness that comes from you. Transform these gifts into signs of welcome for all who are touched by their use. Transform us into people who bless others throughout each day, in Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

## SCRIPTURE READING *James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a* Don Crapnell, Lay Reader

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Mike Clark

## THE LORD’S PRAYER page 16 in the blue hymnal

## HYMN #304 “Jesus Loves Me!”

## THE GOSPEL *Mark 9:30-37* Rev. Mike Clark

## MESSAGE Rev. Mike Clark

## INSTALLATION OF SESSION MEMBERS

Don Crapnell, Ralph Gillespie, Pete Wells

## INSTALLATION OF DEACON

Loweta Rogers

*(Please stand, as able)*

## THIS WE BELIEVE (UNISON) Apostle's Creed—page 14 (blue hymnal)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mike Clark

## BENEDICTION Rev. Mike Clark

## POSTLUDE “Postlude in A” Boely

## Prayer List for Congregations, Presbytery of Arkansas 2021:

First, Brinkley, AR (Organized 1887, Members 4)  
First, Jonesboro, AR (Organized 1889, Members 139)