

**ATTENDANCE**

Sunday, July 17, 2022 Attendance— 34

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Chuck Beall, Charlotte Cherry, Bud & Barb Hough  
and Marge Williamson.

**WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCES 2022**

Weekly contributions needed: \$2,081.00

Amount deposited July 17, 2022- \$ 1,333.00

First Presbyterian Church Annual Budget: \$116,544.00

**USHERS FOR JULY**

July 31— Susan Kearns

August 7-Lillian Euers

August 14— Ruth Fine

August 21—Ruth Fine

August 28—Ruth Fine

**SCRIPTURES FOR JULY 31**

Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Psalm 49:1-12

Colossians 3:1-11

Luke 12:13-21

**All announcements for the Sunday Bulletin  
need to be in the secretary's office or emailed  
to [fpcmh@centurytel.net](mailto:fpcmh@centurytel.net) by noon on Wednesday.**



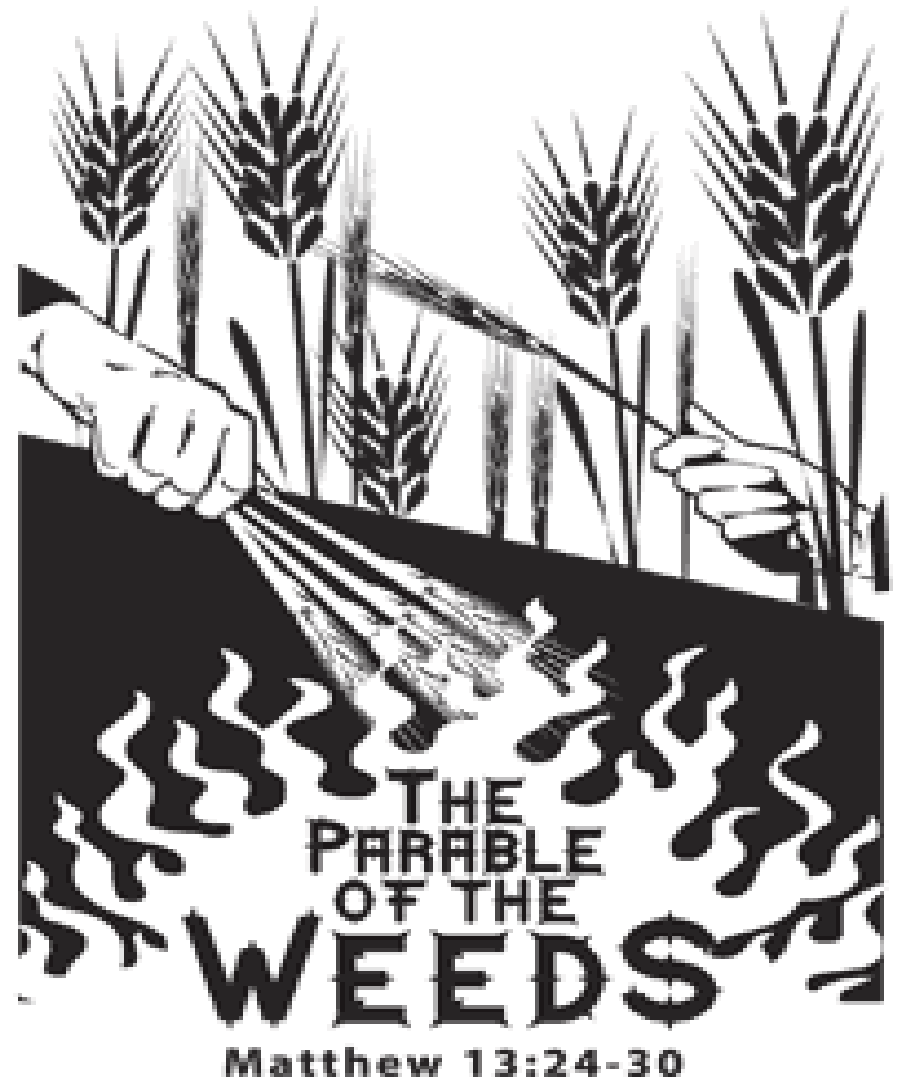
Thank you to Rev. Ward Rudolph for serving as  
our pastor through August.

**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.



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July 24, 2022

**7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

# Order of Worship

July 24, 2022

**PRELUDE** “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Arr. Jones

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

**WELCOME** Rev. Ward Rudolph

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.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Ward Rudolph

Leader: The Prophet Isaiah wrote, Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom!

**People: My soul hates your worship mixed with your hypocrisy! Instead, learn to do good and seek justice: rescue the oppressed, defend the orphans, and treat the widows fairly!**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** Rev. Ward Rudolph

*(Please stand, as able)*

**HYMN OF PRAISE** “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!” No. 144

*(Please be seated)*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Genesis 18:20-32  
Ralph Gillespie, Lay Reader

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

Rev. Ward Rudolph

**Holy one, although we come to church on Sundays, we too often live the rest of the week as though you don't exist. We act as though we created ourselves, with no connection to you, with no hope of transcendence. Open us to your constant presence, Holy One. Teach us to pray, and restore our sight, that we may commune with you each day in the light of eternity. Amen**

*(silent confession)*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Rev. Ward Rudolph

Hear this from God's Word: Neither death nor life, powers nor rulers, things present nor future, nor anything else in all creation can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. Therefore do not let anyone condemn you or disqualify you from the body, but hold fast to its head, who nourishes growth from God. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

*(Please stand, as able)*

**GLORIA PATRI (UNISON)**

**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.**

*(Please be Seated)*

**PSALM 138** Ralph Gillespie, Lay Reader

**GATHERING OF TITHES AND FIRST FRUITS**

(Offering Plates in Narthex)

Ralph Gillespie, Lay Reader

*(Please stand, as able)*

**THE DOXOLOGY (UNISON)**

**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)**

Ralph Gillespie, Lay Reader

**Holy One, we give you thanks for your steadfast love and faithfulness. Bless these offerings and transform them into gifts of hospitality for those who need them most. Amen**

**HYMN** “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee” No. 310

*(Please be seated)*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Colossians 2:6-15[16-19]  
Ralph Gillespie, Lay Reader

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Rev. Ward Rudolph

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (Traditional)

Page 16, blue hymnal

**THE GOSPEL READING** Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Ralph Gillespie, Lay Reader

**SERMON** “What Do We Do With Holy Tares?”  
Rev. Ward Rudolph

*(Please stand, as able)*

**THIS WE BELIEVE (UNISON)** Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BENEDICTION** Rev. Ward Rudolph

**POSTLUDE** “C Major” Handel

**Prayer list for Congregations, Presbytery of AR. 2022**

First, Little Rock ( Est 1828 Members 170)

Presbytery Staff