



**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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**SEPTEMBER 7, 2025**

**13th Sunday after Pentecost**



**PRELUDE**                      “The Family of God”                      Susan Hawkins  
*(This is a time for quiet meditation and preparation for worship)*

**WELCOME**

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. Lila DeMoss

Leader: Happy are those who delight in the Word of God.  
They are like trees planted by streams of water, and  
they will flourish.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Rev. Lila DeMoss

*(Please stand, as able)*

**HYMN OF PRAISE**                      “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”  
No. 84

*(Please be seated)*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18**

Mary Smith, Lay Reader

**ATTENDANCE**  
Sunday, August 31, 2025 Attendance–21

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Please keep the following in your prayers: Chuck Beall, Judy Sulephen, Bob Brozowski, Wana Thacker; Sue and Diane, sisters of Michele Wells; Eleanore Wheeler; Pam and Rev. Victor Jones; James and Jacky Neff for James’ healing; Lisa Gillespie, Fred Ruegsegger for comfort. Church secretary Debbie Heroux’s mother Charleen Killman, for healing; Lila Kirch, friend of Kay Kunkel for healing; Regina Manning’s son John for healing and comfort after surgery; Karen Gillespie for comfort and complete recovery after knee surgery; Tommy Herr, friend of Linda Brozowski; Ted Bishop, Mary Smith’s brother for healing; Phil Jordan’s brother Don for comfort who is in hospice home care and Ellen Jordan’s cousin Dale Krauss for comfort who is also in hospice care.

**WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCES 2025**

Weekly contributions needed:                      \$1,809.00  
Amount deposited September 2, 2025: \$1,293.00  
First Presbyterian Church Annual Budget:\$79,799.00

**SCRIPTURES FOR SEPTEMBER 14**

<i>Exodus 32:7-14</i>	<i>Psalm 51:1-10</i>
<i>1 Timothy 1:12-17</i>	<i>Luke 15:1-10</i>

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### HOLY COMMUNION

Communion distribution today will be by continuous table. For those who are able, you will be asked to come forward and receive the bread and juice and return to your seat. A container will be provided where you can place the empty cup.

\*\*\*\*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.

### CHURCH ACTIVITIES

#### Today-Communion

\* The Copper Kettle is in the Narthex for donations to the Food Bank in September. 124 items of Cereal was collected in August. Thank you!

\*Happy Birthday to Paula Stewart on September 5.

\*Sign up sheets are on the board for the Women of the Church luncheon at Little B's on September 9th at 12:00 pm.

\*Deacons will meet at the Church on September 16 at 10 am.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Holy God, we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely. Instead, we calculate our gains and losses, hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant life. Forgive us, and help us to treasure only you, that we may follow you faithfully and discover the blessings only you can give. Amen. *(silent confession)*

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Lila DeMoss

*(Please stand, as able)*

### GLORIA PATRI (UNISON)

No. 579

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.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Mary Smith, Lay Reader

### GATHERING OF TITHES AND FIRST FRUITS

(Offering Plates in Narthex)

Mary Smith, Lay Reader

*(Please stand, as able)*

### THE DOXOLOGY (UNISON)

page 592, blue hymnal

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON) Mary Smith, Lay Reader

We give you thanks this day for the goodness and love that you have shown to us in Christ and pray your blessing upon these gifts; may they build your love in the world, to the honor of your name. Amen.

**HYMN            “Spirit of the Living God” (sing 2x)    No. 322**

**(Please be Seated)**

**SCRIPTURE READING            Luke 14:25-33**  
Rev. Lila DeMoss

**SERMON                    “The Cost of Discipleship”**  
Rev. Lila DeMoss

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE                    Rev. Lila DeMoss**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** (Traditional) Page 16, blue hymnal

*(Please stand, as able)*

**THIS WE BELIEVE (UNISON)            Apostle’s Creed**  
Page 14 blue hymnal

*(Please be Seated)*

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**INVITATION**

**PRAYER**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN            “More Love to Thee, O Christ”                    No. 359**

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

**Prayer list for Congregations, Presbytery of AR 2025**

**Faith, Pine Bluff                    (Members:068 Est:1952)**

**First, Beebe                    (Members:029 Est:1879)**