



FOUNTAIN HILLS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Our Vision: Growing in love for God and others we make disciples for Jesus.

Our Mission: Love God – Love People – Make Disciples.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

September 7, 2025 – 9:00 AM

PRELUDE

"The Church's One Foundation"

Samuel S. Wesley, Arr: Mark Hayes; Dorothy Parris – Piano

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O God, you pour out the Spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Jim

CALL TO WORSHIP

Brendan Wagner

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise God in his sanctuary;

Leader: praise him in his mighty heavens

People: Praise him for his mighty deeds;

praise him according to his excellent greatness!

Leader: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord!

—based on Psalm 150

OPENING PRAYER

Brendan Wagner

All glorious God, we give you thanks: in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms. You chose us, before the world was made, to be your holy people, without fault in your sight. You adopted us as your children in Christ. You have set us free by his blood; you have forgiven our sins. All praise and

glory be yours, O God, for the richness of your grace, for the splendor of your gifts, for the wonder of your love.

—based on Ephesians 1:3-18

***OPENING HYMN** “All Creatures of Our God and King” #63

CALL TO CONFESSION

Brendan Wagner

God’s Word assures us: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

—based on 1 John 1:8-9

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Brendan Wagner

Eternal God, you do not change. You have revealed yourself to us in your Word. You call us to worship you in spirit and in truth. But we confess that we often worship not your true self but who we wish you to be. We too often ask you to bless what we do rather than seeking to do what you bless. Forgive us for seeking concessions when we should be seeking guidance. Forgive us when our worship shapes you into what we want instead of shaping us into what you want. Help us to meet you here, that we might bow before your unspeakable majesty and so live for you now and ever, in Christ. Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Brendan Wagner

When you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with Christ, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross.

—based on Colossians 2:13-14

***GLORIA PATRI**

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC Be Thou My Vision w/Amazing Grace
Arr: Brian Chung; Dorothy Parris – Piano

SCRIPTURE Psalm 100 & 1 Cor 11:17-20

Pastor Jim

SERMON

“What are we Doing Here?
Worshipping Together”

Pastor Jim Rizer

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from Philippians 2:5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord!

***HYMN OF WORSHIP** “O Worship the King” #104

COMMUNION

***CLOSING HYMN** “Let All Things Now Living” #794

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Jim

POSTLUDE

(* = please stand if you are comfortably able)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – EVERY WEDNESDAY **10:00 AM | Fireside Room** **6:00 PM | Fellowship Center**

Our study through the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5–7) is underway! This week, we'll reflect on Matthew 5:13–16, where Jesus calls His followers the salt of the earth and the light of the world. What does it mean to live out our faith in a way that impacts others? Come ready to engage with the Word and one another.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden."
— Matthew 5:14

GIVE YOUR TREASURES A NEW LIFE!




Presby Pickins' Flea Market will accept gently used items household items, decor, tools, children's toys & games, electronics, and more. Please note: We do not accept furniture or clothing. Items can be dropped off at the church during the summer months, Monday through Thursday, from 9am-2pm. Donation receipts are available upon request.

OFFERINGS: TIME, TALENTS, AND TREASURES

As we gather in worship, we are reminded that giving is an act of gratitude and faith. Your offerings, whether through time, talents, or financial gifts, help sustain the mission and ministry of Fountain Hills Presbyterian Church.

Every hour volunteered, every skill shared, and every dollar given truly makes a difference.

You can give financially in any of the following ways:

-  Place your offering in the donation box in the Narthex
-  Drop it off at the church office during the week
-  Give online at **www.fhpresbyterian.info**

Thank you for your faithful generosity!