

This Week @ First

Friday, June 5, 2026

Worship & Music

To watch our worship services, connect with us on [YouTube](#) and find the weekly bulletin [here!](#)

The “Summer Choir” will not rehearse during the week but will meet on Sundays at 10 AM. If you have been thinking about joining the choir, the summer is an excellent time to try it out! New members are always welcome!

This week we are delighted to welcome back Dr. Judy Arthur to direct the Summer Choir. Dr. Arthur and our organist, Victoria Coey, will be leading the choir and providing worship music for the next month.

Spiritual Formation

Youth Sunday School, Adult Bible Study, and the Inquirers’ Class will resume in August.

Guided Meditation meets at 10:30 in the Library.

On-Request Nursery Staffing: Members who have completed the Safe Gatherings screening will always be available, and numbers are posted on the nursery door.

Spiritual Formation Team: the current team chairs are Deborah Whisnant and Caitlin James. We thank them for all they are doing!

don't forget

First Sunday Food Collection



Bring your non-perishable donations to the narthex this Sunday, June 7 to be shared with Elder Care Services and/or Second Harvest!

Compassion and Social Justice

Snack Packs and Laundry Love:

Join us from 10 AM to noon on Wednesdays to provide snack packs, laundry, and showers for our unsheltered neighbors.

To volunteer, please contact [Jon Dodrill](#). You are welcome once, weekly, or monthly as you are able and interested.

Second Harvest Bread Boxing:

Join us on first Fridays from 9:45 AM–Noon.

[Click to Sign Up](#)

Serve Dinner at Grace Mission:

Join us on second Sundays from 4–6 PM.

Next opportunity: Sunday, June 14

[Click to Sign Up](#)

Interfaith Vigil for Immigrant Justice

Sunday, 4–5 PM, Historic Florida Capitol

Execution Vigil

Thursday, June 25, 6 PM, Governor’s Mansion Parking Lot

Service of Remembrance

Friday, June 26, 12 PM, Capitol Rotunda

On Sunday, June 28, we will

Celebrate

the ministry and gifts of Glenn and Mary Hodges as Glenn concludes his term as designated pastor. Please join us for lunch in the Westminster Room following worship.

Chicken and dessert will be provided; bring a side dish to share! We will have a basket for cards in church and at the luncheon.



To submit information for the newsletter and/or bulletin (as space permits), please use [this link](#), which will take you to an online form. The form will accept attachments. Submissions are due by Thursday at noon.

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Free Education & Training Conference

**June 20, 2026
9 AM to 4 PM**

**FSU College of Medicine, 1115 W. Call St.
Register by June 6, 2026**

The Alzheimer's Project and the FSU College of Medicine will host a free one-day conference for caregivers, families, friends, professionals, and anyone interested in learning more about Alzheimer's disease and memory loss. Respite care is provided. The conference is designed to give participants practical tools, support, and a chance to connect with others.

- Understand what to expect as dementia progresses
- Learn strategies that make day-to-day caregiving easier
- Connect with local resources you may not even know exist
- Take a breath and talk with people who "get it"

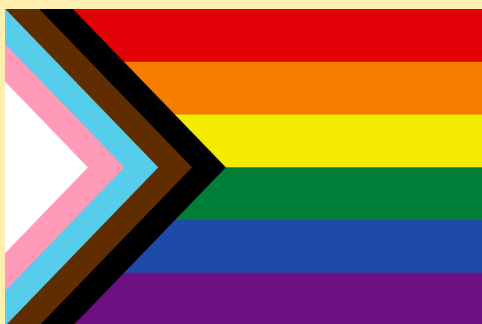
In addition to free admission and respite care, breakfast and lunch are provided. But **registration closes tomorrow!** Please register [here](#) if you're interested.

Creation Care at 2026 General Assembly

The General Assembly is meeting this summer in Milwaukee, Wisconsin from June 22 to July 2 (proceedings can be viewed on PCBiz.org). Committees will meet online and the plenary will be held in person. It is possible to listen live to the plenary, testify before a committee or read the overtures and other resources by registering at PCBiz.org. You can also sign up for their daily newsletter.

Our Presbytery has two overtures before the General Assembly: Changing Course for a Green Future and the Green Future Endowment Fund. Pam McVety is the Overture Advocate for our Presbytery.

The overtures will be heard and debated at the Climate and Environmental Justice Committee. More information is available on the church [website](#).



Pride Month

June is Pride Month, a time to celebrate LGBTQIA+ history, solidarity and identity. Within the PC(USA), the Advocacy Committee for LGBTQIA+ Equity works to help the church "in providing full expression to the rich diversity of its membership."

The Advocacy Committee will be making several recommendations to the 2026 General Assembly later this month:

1. The Committee recommends creating a way for congregations to indicate their openness and readiness to call an LGBTQIA+ candidate when participating in the Church Leadership Connection (CLC) online matching system, and for LGBTQIA+ candidates to view and filter their search results by those responses.
2. The Committee recommends that Presbyterian Life & Witness, in collaboration with the PC(USA), create and allocate funds for a biennial, in-person national gathering for LGBTQIA+ Presbyterians.
3. The Committee recommends that Presbyterian Life & Witness, in collaboration with the Committee and in partnership with LGBTQIA+ organizations including Covenant Network of Presbyterians and More Light Presbyterians, develop and distribute a voluntary self-audit guide for use across the PC(USA). The guide is envisioned as a tool to assist congregations, mid councils, camps, conference centers, and other Presbyterian entities in assessing how their stated values align with their practices.

More information is available on the PC(USA) [website](#).