

Welcome to First Pres SLO!

We are a Christian community in the heart of this city, open to all people seeking Christ's touch and blessing. A healthy church is built on a foundation of Jesus Christ, and expressed through *fellowship, worship, discipleship* and *mission*. As God's church we exist to fellowship sincerely, worship actively, grow in our knowledge and understanding of Jesus, and to offer ourselves in service to this community and the world.

Welcome—we're glad you've decided to join us today.

In worship we...

Praise the Lord in song, blending old and new and in-between
Profess our faith in God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Confess our sins and receive words of pardon
Hear the Word of God proclaimed in preaching
Offer prayers of petition and thanks
Share freely in the sacraments: communion and baptism
Give gifts of time and financial resources in support of the church's work.

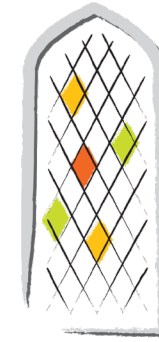
An Invitation to Prayer

Prayer is a dynamic and vital part of our journey of faith in Jesus Christ. We pray, not as we shop for goods—with a list in hand and limited funds to spend—but rather as faithful people bringing our lives before God, whose love and power and resources have no end. In prayer we learn to align our vision and desires with those of God himself, and in the process become mature disciples, ready for service.

We invite you to join us in this journey of discovery!

Please pray:

For the vision and ministry of this church
For the specific needs of individuals and families in our community
For the world—for peace, justice and the spread of the Gospel of Jesus.



**FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
San Luis Obispo

Service for the Lord's Day January 28, 2024

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DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION.**

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WORSHIP AT FIRST PRES

Thank you for joining us!

PRELUDE

Dr. Scott Glysson
“Prelude in e minor” by Frederic Chopin
Please use this time for quiet reflection

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Rev. John D’Elia

WORSHIP IN SONG

“Fairest Lord Jesus” (#306)
“10,000 Reasons”

THE CONFESSION AND PARDON

Kate Murray

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYER

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Jen Rabenaldt CRE

ANTHEM

Choir
“If You Search With All Your Heart” by Craig Courtney

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Excerpt from the PCUSA Brief Statement of Faith

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 2:1-4

MESSAGE

A HEALTHY CHURCH

Rev. John D’Elia

“Fellowship: Where Your Heart Heals”

Psalm 68: 4-6

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

Dr. Scott Glysson
“Piano Concerto, Theme” by Edvard Greig
Please stand as we sing the Doxology(#592)

SONG OF COMMITMENT

“Take My Life” (#391)

DECLARATION OF MISSION AND BENEDICTION

Friends, what is our mission?

Our mission is to glorify Jesus Christ and to be instruments of God’s healing, reconciling, life-giving presence in the world.

POSTLUDE

Dr. Scott Glysson
“Sonatina in C” by Muzio Clementi

*The flowers this week were donated by Tim and Margo Smith
in honor of their 52nd wedding anniversary.*

**JOIN US FOR LUNCH AND OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.**

Participants: Rev. John D’Elia, Dr. Scott Glysson, Jen Rabenaldt CRE,
Andrew Vigil, Lloyd Esola, Sean Anderson, Craig Updegrove,
Enrique Ordinola, Melissa Scarpelli, Lauren Webb, Ryan Miller,
Mike Milanesi, Kate Murray