



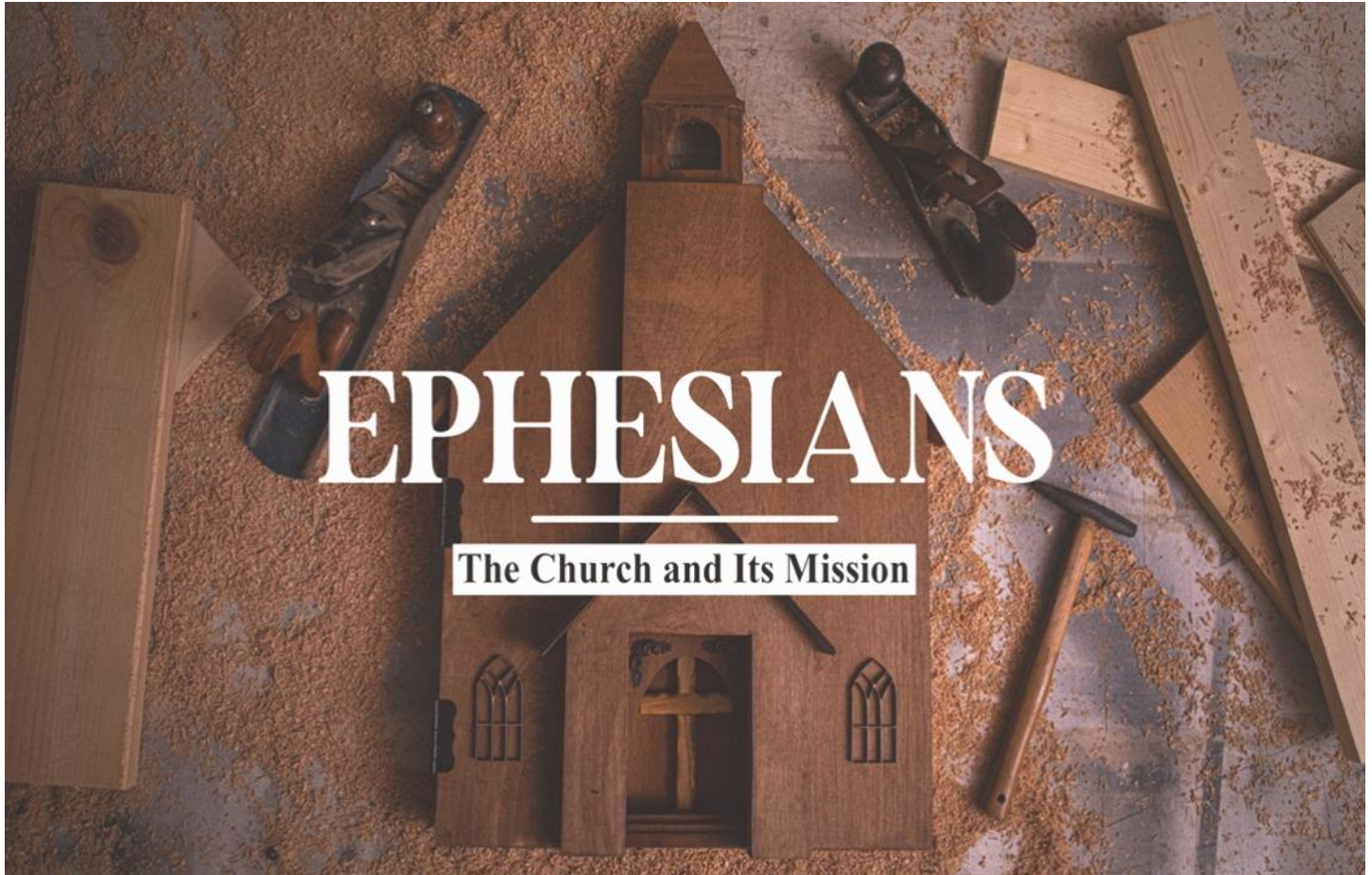
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The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Bartow is:  
making it simple for people to find and follow Jesus

- ♦ experience a personal relationship with Jesus Christ,
- ♦ grow in faith,
- ♦ live their lives in loving relationship with Christ, and
- ♦ minister to those outside the Christian faith.

As a church family, we are committed to being people who **LOVE**:

1) Jesus 2) God's Word 3) One Another 4) Our City 5) Families 6) Stewardship

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## MORNING WORSHIP

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### PRAISE AND ADORATION

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

“Heaven’s Jubilee”

Choir

Words by Adger M. Pace; Music by G. T. Spears; Arranged by Amy Potter

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ACOLYTES

#### PRAYER

#### \*SONGS OF PRAISE

“All Because Of Jesus”

Giver of ev'ry breath I breathe, Author of all eternity,  
Giver of ev'ry perfect thing, To You be the glory.  
Maker of heaven and of earth,  
No one can comprehend Your worth.  
King over all the universe, To You be the glory.

**Chorus:** And I'm alive because I'm alive in You.  
And it's all because of Jesus I'm alive.  
It's all because the blood of Jesus Christ  
That covers me and raised this dead man's life.  
It's all because of Jesus I'm alive, I'm alive, I'm alive.

Ev'ry sunrise sings Your praise,  
The universe cries out Your praise;  
I'm singing freedom all my days, Now that I'm alive.

*Repeat Chorus*

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“Holy Forever”

A thousand generations falling down in worship  
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb,  
And all who've gone before us  
And all who will believe  
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb.

(Jesus) Your name is the highest,  
Your name is the greatest,  
Your name stands above them all.

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All thrones and dominions,  
All powers and positions,  
Your name stands above them all.  
And the angels cry, "Holy." All creation cries, "Holy."  
You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever.  
If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed,  
Sing the song forever to the Lamb.  
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name,  
Sing the song forever to the Lamb.  
We'll sing the song forever and amen.  
And the angels cry, "Holy." All creation cries, "Holy."  
You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever.  
(Hear Your people sing,) "Holy,"  
To the King of Kings, "Holy."  
You will always be Holy, Holy forever  
You will always be Holy, Holy forever.

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"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"  
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning Our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.  
Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.  
Holy, holy, holy! Tho' the darkness hide Thee.  
Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
Only Thou art holy; There is none beside Thee;  
Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.  
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth and sky and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

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### PRAYER

### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*After Children's Moment, children K-5th grade may be excused to Children's Church*

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### GOD'S WORD TO US

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 6:1-9

SERMON

*God's Way to Harmony*

Rev. Barry Gray

PRAYER

\*SONGS OF RESPONSE

"10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)"

**Chorus:** Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,  
It's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day, when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near, and my time has come;  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

Worship Your holy name, Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship Your holy name, Worship Your holy name, Worship Your holy name.

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"Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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\*CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME MORNING WORSHIP!** — We invite you to take a moment to sign in using the red attendance pad located in each pew and pass it down to your neighbor or scan the QR code to access the online check-in page.



**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 26<sup>TH</sup>** in observance of Memorial Day.

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### God's Way to Harmony.

Ephesians 6:1-9

1. Parents and children always have situations in which they're pitted against each other about \_\_\_\_\_ issues.
2. Paul's counsel in the first part of Ephesians 6 is \_\_\_\_\_ a through a child's life.
3. In all of history, nothing has done as much to elevate the raising and care of children as \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Obedience is the basic to the \_\_\_\_\_ of children and parents.
5. This obligation is not only on the part of the child who must \_\_\_\_\_, but also on the part of the \_\_\_\_\_, who is responsible to enforce the \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Parents, do not provoke your children to \_\_\_\_\_, but bring the up in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord.

*"So, whatever you wish that others would do to you,  
do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.*

*Matthew 7:12 ESV*



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It's hard to find your way in a world gone wild.

But we have Jesus — our true north!

At True North VBS 2025 kids Toddler - 5th Grade are invited to an Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers.

They will get a rock-solid foundation and learn to look to Jesus, their unmovable, unshakable friend forever.

He's our True North!

**Registration Is Now OPEN!**

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**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER** — Mica Barrington, Jesse Beeles, Laurie Benton, John Bianco, Sonja Bianco, Drew & Priscilla Boren, Dr. Bill Brown in China, Kathi Colvin, Marsha Dalley, David Delph, Tracy Eades, Fred Egli, Becky Falcone, Saylor Falletta, Ariel Forker, Janey Fox, Karin Gray, Larry Guice, Sarah Hallock, Dot Harris, Doug Hartsaw, June Hollingsworth, Travis Hoover, Paul Johnson, Robert Jones, Johnathan Kimble, Fred & Sheila Lepley, Ann Longboy, Kelli Heidel Losh, Alice Martin, David McClintock, Monette Monroe, Dan Moon, Charlie Morgan, Ezra Myers, Becky Arnold Pate, David Patt, Willene Pawley, Angie Reese, Benjamin Sanchez, Luke Shaver, Lisa Shenson, John Stansel, David Stewart, Toni Strickland, David Tanner, Grey Thompson, Vicki Tillis, David Tindell, Debbie & Ted Turbe, Cathy Whistin, Glenda Wiggins, Our Pastor & family, Our Elders and Staff, Our Children & Youth, Our Military & their families, Our Nation, Leaders, Community & Our Church.

**THIS MORNING'S PRAYER PERSON** — Jan Heidel

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP — SUNDAYS AT 4:00 PM IN CHURCH OFFICE** to pray for the needs and concerns of our church family and friends. All are invited to join the group.

**END OF YEAR YOUTH CELEBRATION** — This afternoon, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All Middle and High School Students are invited!

**WOMEN OF THE CLOTH** — In observance of Memorial Day, WOTC will not meet tomorrow, May 26<sup>th</sup>. Join the Group next Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> in the East Room, 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

**GROWTH WEDNESDAY WILL BE TAKING A SUMMER BREAK** — May 28<sup>th</sup> will be the last Growth Wednesday until August 20<sup>th</sup>. Growth Wednesday will resume on Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. Keep a look out for special summer activities, VBS, and Youth Camp/Retreat. Our Wednesday schedule is listed below.

- **5:15 - 6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Rehearsal**
- **5:30 - 6 p.m. — Supper** in the Fellowship Hall. Suggested donation - \$5 per person.
- **5:30 - 7 p.m. — 'Made for More' Life Coaching with Deena Fussell**; text (863) 327-5007 to make an appointment
- **6:00 - 6:15 p.m. — Worship Together** — Praise and Prayer in the Fellowship Hall
- **6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — FPC Student Ministry Small Groups**; Student Ministry Rooms;
- **6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — Wednesday Warriors Kids Ministry**; Rooms West 3 & 5; Downstairs
- **6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — The Chosen — Film / Discussion**; Small Group Study; East Room
- **6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — Choir Rehearsal**; Choir room
- **6:30 - 7:30 p.m. — Abide Women's Bible Study**; meet in Library. Childcare available

**THURSDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** — 7:15 AM every Thursday at PalletOne Corporate Office, 6001 Foxtrot Ave., Bartow.

**THURSDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY** — The Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study meets each Thursday morning at 9:30 AM in the East Room.

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### *Donation Drive for Women's Care Center*

FPC Bartow will be holding an ongoing Donation Drive to benefit the Women's Care Center of Bartow. Items needed are:

- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Laundry Detergent / Pods
- Bleach
- General Cleaning Supplies
- Dish Soap
- Disinfectant Wipes or Lysol Spray (URGENT)
- Sealed Packages of Diapers (All sizes) + Baby Wipes
- \$10 Gift Cards for Emergency Shopping



A collection bin has been placed in the narthex of the sanctuary. You can bring your donations to church next Sunday or drop them off in the church office through the week. All donations will be gratefully received and delivered to the Women's Care Center.

The Women's Care Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to the mission of providing a safe, transitional living center for homeless women and their children. The Center offers accommodations for 14+ women and children and includes kitchen and dining room, staff offices, housemother's quarters, a children's playroom, porches, play yard and outside areas. Rusty Music serves as Executive Director.

All donations are greatly appreciated and will be a blessing to the women and their children residing at Women's Care Center. Thank you!



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