



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN MARIETTA

*Changing Lives with Faith, Hope, and Love*

SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2024 | 8:30AM & 11:00AM

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## WELCOME TO FPC MARIETTA

This church welcomes you no matter who you are or from where you come. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide. If you are passing through, Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, we can learn together. We invite you to return often.

## FRIENDSHIP PAD

Whether you are a member, a long-time visitor, or just passing by, please sign the friendship pad at the end of your row.

## CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

The nursery is available for infants through 4-yr-olds. Summer hours are 10:45am-12:15pm. Children are invited to pick up worship items from the blue cart at the entrance to the Sanctuary and Great Hall. Following the Children's Time during the 11:00 service, children in 4yr Pre-K through 1st grade may go to Children's Church.

## STEPHEN MINISTERS ON-CALL

A Stephen Minister is on call each Sunday morning from 10:00am through 12:00pm. If you would like to speak with a Stephen Minister during that time, please see the front desk or one of the Deacons on duty, and they will locate them for you. *Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ (Galatians 6:2)*

## JOIN US

New members are received each month in worship. If you are interested in joining, please contact Ken Farrar at [kenfarrar@icloud.com](mailto:kenfarrar@icloud.com).

# GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

*During the time after Pentecost, the color green typically marks the Sanctuary. However, as today we celebrate the Lord's Supper, notice that the color white marks the communion table, pulpit, and the pastors' robes. The color white is reserved for those Sundays of great celebration, so let us approach His table with joy, worshiping God with gladness!*

## WELCOME

GATHERING MUSIC      *Materna* | Wilson

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place.  
**Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened.**  
Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged.  
**Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful comfort.**  
Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed.  
**Here may the aged find consolation, and the young be inspired.**  
Inspire us by the life of Jesus Christ our Lord.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 263      *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and merciful God,  
**We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.**  
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.  
**We have offended against your holy laws.**  
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done.  
**We have done those things which we ought not to have done.**  
O Lord, be merciful toward us according to your promises:  
**Sparing those who confess their faults, redeeming those who are penitent.**  
And grant, O merciful God, for the sake of Jesus Christ,  
**That we may live a holy, just, and humble life, to the glory of your holy name.**  
**In this silence, hear our confession and remind us that you hold us in your hands.**

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.  
**His mercies never come to an end.**  
They are new every morning.  
**Great is his faithfulness.**  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

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*Note: Leaders: regular font | People: bold font | \*Those who are able, please stand.*

**\*GLORIA PATRI NO. 581**

**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.**

**\*GREETING ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of Christ be with you. | **And also with you.**

*(11:00am)* **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY**      *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* | Vogt

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 223**      *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

**CHORAL ANTHEM**      *Grace* | Hayes

**GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS (NRSV)**

**Ezekiel 34:1-4**

**Luke 15:1-7**

The Word of the Lord | **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**    *The Parable of the Lost Sheep* | The Rev. Dr. Paul Sherwood, Parish Associate

**WE RESPOND TO GOD**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**    *The Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,**

**Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,**

**Eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,**

**True God from true God, begotten, not made,**

**Of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
Was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
And his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
Who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
And the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

### THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

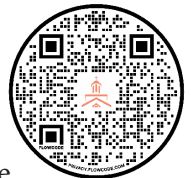
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks, for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever. As the fountain of all life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day, and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with the heavenly host, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we glorify your name and lift our voices in joyful praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**



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## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
Thanks be to God.

## THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

## PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

# GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE

\*SENDING HYMN NO. 726      *Will You Come and Follow Me*

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*SENDING MUSIC      *Fanfare | Mathias*

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### Today's Worship Leaders

*The Rev. Joe Evans, Senior Pastor*

*The Rev. Cassie Waits, Associate Pastor*

*The Rev. Dr. Paul Sherwood, Parish Associate*

*Hal McClain, 8:30am Beadle*

*Bennett Sherwood, 11:00am Scripture Reader | Catherine Sherwood, 11:00am Acolyte*

*Jim Ogburn, Conductor | Chohee Kim, Principal Organist | Chancel Choir*

*Church Street Brass: Chip Crotts, Ryan Moser, Erin Cundiff, Mike DeSousa*

### Audio/Visual Team

*8:30am: Ben Brinitzer | 11:00am: John Hills*

NEXT WEEK:

The Parable of the Barren Fig Tree

Luke 13:6-9

# PANTRY ON CHURCH FUNDRAISER AT TWO BIRDS!

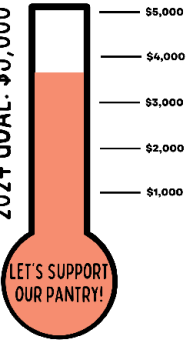
# JULY 27

# 100% TICKET SALES

plus a % of bar proceeds  
go to the Pantry on Church



2024 GOAL: \$5,000



Due to the overwhelming response to join The Pantry on Church at Two Birds Taphouse, FPC now has exclusive access to the whole bar from 5-9pm! The waitlist has been lifted, but space is still limited!

**Now, we need to reach \$5,000 in ticket sales!**

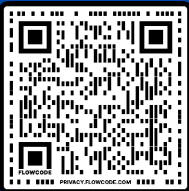
Help us reach our goal and reserve your spot today!

\$25 per Person includes entrance & buffet dinner (Drinks not included)

**Sign up at [fpcmarietta.org/pantry-party](https://fpcmarietta.org/pantry-party)**

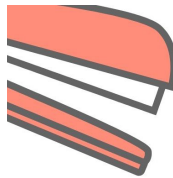
Rev. Joe Evans will bartend again with some creations of his own! Raffle tickets will be sold prior to and at the event. Visit us in the Gathering Space on Sundays, July 14 and 21 for a chance to win amazing Braves tickets and several other cool prizes!

## MUST SUMMER LUNCH



SCAN FOR  
AMAZON  
WISH LIST

The biggest  
need right now  
is lunch items!



# SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

for Marietta City Schools

Help kick-off the school year with much needed supplies!

Supply lists can be found in the Gathering Space

or online at [fpcmarietta.org/events](https://fpcmarietta.org/events)



## **FPC OPPORTUNITIES**

### **FPC Pedalers**

Next Ride: July 12 | 8am-10am | from the Silver Comet Trail - Florence Road Trailhead  
Come ride with us!

### **Writers Support Group: July Meeting**

Tuesday, July 16 | Glover Room | 6pm

Guest speaker, Ginny Payne, will join us! Questions? Email Chick Freund at cfz3@hotmail.com.

### **Cobb County Jail Library**

Help us stock the shelves for inmates at the jail! If you have any paperback reading books you'd like to pass along, please place them in the box outside of Paul Sherwood's office. We are also in need of volunteer librarians to maintain the library. If you would like more information, please contact Lynne Sloop at lynneshloop@gmail.com.

### **Let's Go Out to the Ball Game!**

FPC has reserved Braves tickets for Saturday, August 24 | Braves vs Washington Nationals

Seats are in Homerun Porch sec. 145 | \$40 per ticket

FPC will provide transportation in church vehicles.

Make payment at [fpcmarietta.org/give](http://fpcmarietta.org/give).

Choose "Braves Tickets" from the drop down Fund menu. Your payment is your reservation!

*You must download the BallPark App. Tickets will be transferred to you via the app prior to the game. Questions? Contact Rose Wing at 678-386-1059 or [wingr@bellsouth.net](mailto:wingr@bellsouth.net)*

### **Front Desk Volunteers Needed**

Members, if you enjoy seeing church friends during the week, talking with folks, and being a positive presence, we've got the place for you! The Front Desk is in need of members who can volunteer several times a month or as an on-call sub, from 9am-12pm. This position primarily involves answering the phone and letting people in the building. Our Front Desk volunteers are the first faces people see when they enter FPC! Please consider filling this valuable position! Call Susan Palacios at 770-427-0293x226

### **My Handy Friend Ministry**

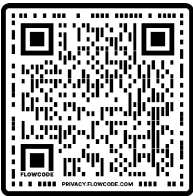
The purpose of this ministry is to provide a free service to our members who are in need of assistance with tasks that they may no longer be comfortable doing. If you would like to have help, please fill out the form at [fpcmarietta.org/my-handy-friend](http://fpcmarietta.org/my-handy-friend), and someone will call you to understand your need and let you know if this is something we can do for you. If you have skills and are willing to share them, please fill out the same form.



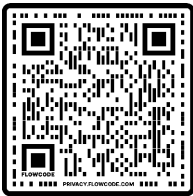
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Volunteer Sign-Up



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