

THE CELEBRATION OF OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH
Fort King Presbyterian Church
October 19th, 2025



Fort King Presbyterian Church Mission Statement

The mission of Fort King Presbyterian Church is to build a loving community of people living and growing in faith as we work for justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God in the world. Fort King Presbyterian Church welcomes all people of any age, gender, color, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status, or disability into the full life and membership of this congregation.

We Gather to Worship God

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Hoe Down

Bernice Henry

PRELUDE

Something Beautiful

Gloria & Wm Gaither

We Prepare to Hear the Word

*CALL TO WORSHIP

alludes to Psalm 121 and 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

People of God, lift up your eyes unto the hills —
where does our help come from?

**Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth;
the One who watches over us without rest.**

Then remain faithful to what you have learned and believed,
for the Word of God equips us for every good work.

**We come to be nourished by Scripture,
shaped by the truth, and sent out with courage.**

The Lord will keep your life, from this time forth and forevermore —
so persist in prayer, and trust the One who is always near.

**Let us worship the God who guards our steps
and calls us to speak with boldness and grace!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE, #838

Standing on the Promises
(verses 1-3)

PROMISES

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Persistent God,
we confess that we grow weary in prayer and discouraged in waiting.
We lose heart when justice delayed feels like justice denied,
and we forget your promise to hear the cries of your people.**

**Forgive us when we give up too soon, when we silence our own voices,
and when we fail to stand with those who plead for mercy.**

**Renew our courage, O Lord, and teach us to pray with boldness,
trusting that you are faithful, just, and near. Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING THE PEACE

*ACCLAMATION, #838, v. 4

Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

*Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God.*

We Hear the Word of God

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON	Genesis 32:22-31	Jacob Wrestles with God
HYMN OF FAITH, #175	<i>Seek Ye First</i> (verses 1 and 2)	LAFFERTY
SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 18:1-8	The Widow and the Unjust Judge
SERMON	Weapons of the Weak	Rev. Bob Scott

We Respond to the Word with Gratitude

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *found in the office of a young pastor in Zimbabwe*

I'm part of the fellowship of the unashamed. I have Holy Spirit power. The die is cast. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I am a disciple of Jesus.

I won't let up, look back, slow down, back away, or be still. I won't give up, shut up, or let up, until I have stayed up, stored up, prayed up, paid up, and preached up for the cause of Christ.

I must go till He comes, give till I drop, and work till He stops me; and when He comes for His own, He will have no problem recognizing me – my banner will be clear.

*ANTHEM *Make My Life an Alleluia* Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY *God Gave the Song* Wm and Gloria Gaither

*DOXOLOGY, #606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDRETH
*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

We Are Sent to Share Christ's Love

*CLOSING HYMN, #379

We Shall Overcome
(verses 1, 3 and 5)

African-American Spiritual

*INVITATION AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

[* indicates all should rise in body, or in spirit]

Assisting with Today's Service:

Fort King Ministers: *All our members and friends*

Worship Leaders: *Pastor Bob, Nancy Stephenson*

Executive Assistant: *Mary Wald*

Music Director: *John Leschak*

Special Music: *The Chancel Choir*

Ushers: October: *Property*

Zoom Host: *Hal & Charlanne Brown*, A/V Operator: *Sally Layendecker*

Nursery: *Tammy Kessler and Marlene Wittenwyler*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS - for week of October 20, 2025 – October 26, 2025

10/20 Mon: 6:30-8:00 Scouts (FH/CE)

10/21 Tue: 3:30 TOPS (FH)

10/22 Wed: 1:00 Bible Study (SR)

10/23 Thu: 3:00 Tai Chi (FH), 4:00 Choir Practice

10/24 Fri: 8:30 Pearl Project (SR)

10/26 Sun: 9:00 Crossroads Adult Class

10:30 Worship in person and on Zoom

Hearts and Hands

6-7:30 Trunk or Treat

Today, Oct. 19th, have a blast at Art 4 All, 2-5

Sunday, Oct. 26th Trunk or Treat, 6-7:30

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