

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church.
Please speak to the pastor or a member of the Session at the close of the service.

This Week at FPC

Today

8:45 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

Monday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Tuesday

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Wednesday

9:00 p.m. Preschool
6:30 p.m. Praise Team

Thursday

6:00 p.m. Compassionate Hands

Friday

6:00 p.m. Compassionate Hands

Saturday

6:00 p.m. Compassionate Hands

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Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

January 18, 6:00 p.m.

Soup Cook-Off

Please call the church office at 615-444-1360 to make a reservation **no later than noon Tuesday.**

SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2017:

The church office is now scheduling the provision of flowers for the sanctuary or chapel. If you would like to provide flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones on a particular Sunday in 2017, please contact Kristy to select your Sunday.

PLEDGE SUNDAY:

Today we will present our pledges to support the work of our church in 2017.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS:

Newly elected Elders and Deacons will be ordained and installed next Sunday during the 11:00 worship service.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

called for January 29 at 10:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to hold the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, hear the Annual Statistical Report, and approve the changes in the Pastor's Terms of Call.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE NEXT YOUTH OUTING:

The Youth Group will go bowling on Sunday, February 5. They will meet in Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 service for pizza before leaving for the bowling lanes.

A DISCIPLE I CLASS

is being organized beginning next month. We are seeking 10 or more people to participate. The class will be led by Jeff Campbell. To register, contact Kristy in the church office.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

January 15, 2017

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 139)

Leader: O God, you have searched me and known me.
People: You know when we sit down and when we rise up.
Leader: You discern my thoughts from far away.
People: You search out our paths and our lying down.
Leader: You are acquainted with all our ways.
People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for us.
Let us worship now our living God.

*HYMN NO. 466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful Lord, we confess that our spiritual insight has grown dim, so it seems that your word is rare and that visions have ceased.
We confess that when you do call,
we are not able to discern your voice
from the multitude of other voices beckoning to us.
Help us occasionally to tune out the world,
quiet our inner dialogue,
and listen more closely for your voice,
so that when you speak, we may hear. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Although we may not always hear God, God hears us. God hears our confessions and offers us forgiveness.
Friends, believe the good news:
People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

* GLORIA PATRI

Hymn No. 579

*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.*

* THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word.
Silence in us any voice but your own,
that, hearing, we may also obey your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love
*Sing, my soul, his wondrous love, who from yon bright throne above,
ever watchful o’er our race, still to us extends his grace.*
*Heav’n and earth by him were made; all is by his scepter swayed;
what are we that he should show so much love to us below?*
*God, the merciful and good, bought us with the Savior’s blood,
and to make salvation sure, guides us by his Spirit pure.*
*Heav’n and earth by him were made; all is by his scepter swayed;
what are we that he should show so much love to us below?*
*Sing, my soul, adore his Name! Let his glory be thy theme:
praise him till he calls thee home; trust his love for all to come.*
Arlen Clarke

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

Dodging the Bullet Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

* HYMN NO. 411

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

FESTAL SONG

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Figured Chorale

Schumann

DEDICATION OF PLEDGES

* 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.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

* HYMN NO. 369

I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I’M GONNA LIVE

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

I’m gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

POSTLUDE

A Child So Lovely

Bach