

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. For more information, please speak to the pastor 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. Congregational Care

12:15 p.m. Personnel Meeting

Monday

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

6:30 p.m. Praise Team

Friday

Saturday

7:00 p.m. Compassionate Hands

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Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

January 24, 6:00 p.m.

Pot Roast, Hashbrown Casserole, Peas & Carrots, Rolls, Fruit Pizza

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

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God in memory of **Jo Anne Cook Adams** by her family.

THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to the family of **Emile Manning** on her death on January 14.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2018: Celebrate a birthday, an anniversary, or even an act of kindness, by providing flowers for a worship service in honor or memory of a loved one. If you would like to provide flowers on a particular Sunday in 2018, please contact Kristy.

COMPASSIONATE HANDS: Volunteers are needed to spend a Saturday night and to do laundry during the week. A sign-up sheet and list are on the bulletin board in the back hallway.

Are you interested in playing the Handbells? FPC owns an outstanding set of handbells and is looking for ringers to prepare for the Easter season and beyond. The ability to read music is not required (but it does help). If you are the least bit interested or just curious, then please give your name to Branson or the church office. This is not a commitment to play; we are simply collecting names to gauge interest and possibly form multiple groups based on experience and ability.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

Service for the Lord's Day

January 21, 2018

Third 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 62)

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence,

People: For my hope is from him.

Leader: God alone is my rock and my salvation;

People: I shall not be shaken.

Leader: On God rests my deliverance and my honor;

People: My refuge is in the Lord.

* HYMN NO. 466

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

God, from Heaven Look Anew

Mozart

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

Merciful Lord, we confess that our spiritual insight has grown dim. 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.

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God sent his son to lift the burden of sin from our lives.
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)

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word; and give us grace
that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 3:1-10

And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

How Can I Keep from Singing?

Robert Lowrey

*My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?*

*When through the tempest 'round me roars, I know the truth, it liveth.
What though the darkness 'round me close, songs in the night it giveth.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

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I hear the real, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

SERMON

The Eyes Have It

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN NO. 426

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

CANONBURY

*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

OFFERTORY

Adagio in C for Glass Harmonica

Mozart

*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.*

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

PROPOUNDING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

TO THE OFFICERS

TO THE CONGREGATION

Do we, the members of the church, accept *Pat, Dee, David, Robin, Wayne, Mary, Sondra,* and *Linda* as ruling elders or deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**
Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

*HYMN NO. 339

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Sonata VI: *Andante graziozo*

Mozart